WAC 332-20-030 Definitions. For purposes of this chapter:

1. "Carrying capacity" is the acreage required to adequately provide forage for an animal unit (AU) for a specified period without inducing deterioration of vegetation condition or soil;
2. "Range condition" is the relation between current and potential condition of the range site;
3. "Animal unit" (AU) is equal to one cow and her nursing calf or their equivalent;
4. "Sheep unit" is equal to one ewe and her nursing lamb or their equivalent;
5. "Free use permit" is a permit given in exchange for the use of land that is owned or controlled by a permittee and is within a permit range;
6. "On and off permit" is a permit issued to an owner of range land within a permit range which authorizes the use of an entire range area but establishes no preference right;
7. "Bonus bid" is a sum of money offered for a grazing permit on state land in addition to regular annual charges and is to be paid once at the time of the execution of the grazing permit;
8. "Commissioner" means the commissioner of public lands;
9. "Department" means the department of natural resources as defined in RCW 43.30.030;
10. "Board" means the board of natural resources as defined in RCW 43.30.040;
11. "Area" means the field administration unit of the department of natural resources;
12. "Person" includes any public or private corporation as well as an individual or partnership;
13. "Base ranch property" means a place on which to hold and feed the permitted units of livestock prior to and after the grazing season;
14. "Nonuse" means that no livestock will be turned out on the permit range;
15. "Demit" means that less than ninety percent of the permitted or allowed animal units are turned out on the permit range;
16. "Crossing permit" is a temporary permit to allow livestock to utilize forage while crossing state-owned or controlled land;
17. "Operational permit" is a temporary permit to allow horses or pack animals to be on state-owned or controlled land while operating a commercial enterprise.

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