

2015 Nebraska Grazing Conference

August 11-12
Kearney, NE



Speakers & Topics

Tuesday (registration at 9:00; program starts at 10:00)

Poisonous native range plants, Richard Knight, Tucson, AZ (formerly with Colorado State U.)
Management practices of 2014 Leopold Conservation Award winner, Duane Pelster, Ericson, NE
Influencing livestock grazing distribution, Mitch Stephenson, UNL, Scottsbluff, NE
Ecosystem benefits from fire and future consequences of not burning, Dirac Twidwell, UNL, Lincoln, NE
Grassland response to prescribed burns, Russ Bloom, Scotia, NE, Michael Clarke, Berwyn, NE & Scott Stout, Curtis, NE
Into the future: Wyoming grazing from a startup perspective, Sage Askin, Riverton, WY
Tuesday evening banquet speaker, R.P. Smith, Broken Bow, NE

Wednesday (registration at 8:00; program starts at 8:30)

Incorporating annual forages into crop-forage-livestock systems, Daren Redfearn, UNL, Lincoln, NE
Controlling risk in grazing-based production systems, Jay Parsons, UNL, Lincoln, NE
Using annual forage/cover crops, Nancy Peterson, Gordon, NE & Jerry Glaser, Spalding, NE
Livestock poisoning associated with cultivated crops, Richard Knight, Tucson, AZ (formerly with Colorado State U.)
Prescribed fire effects and benefits for cattle, Derek Scasta, University of Wyoming, Laramie, WY
Reducing fly populations on pastured cattle, David Boxler, UNL, North Platte, NE

Registration: Registration this year will be done online at the conference website. Even if you do not want to pay online with credit card, you simply complete the online registration and mark the "pay by check" option, after which you will mail your check to the designated address (postmarked by Aug. 1 for pre-registration rate). Anyone not able to register online should call 402-472-5636 and your information will be taken over the phone by a UNL employee and entered into the registration database.

Cost: The full two-day pre-registration fee of \$80 covers lunch both days, the evening banquet, break refreshments, and the conference proceedings. One-day registrations are also available. Registration fee will be waived for students who will still be in high school this fall and who pre-register by the August 1 deadline, compliments of the UNL College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources. Reduced registration fees apply for other full-time students. Higher fees apply to registrations after August 1, which includes walk-ins. Cancellations called into the Center for Grassland Studies by Aug. 1, 2015 will receive a full refund. Cancellations after Aug. 1 will not receive a refund but will be sent a copy of the proceedings upon request.

Hotel Information: To get the Conference rate of \$79.95 + tax (includes hot breakfast), make room reservations by July 27 by calling the Kearney Ramada, 308-237-3141 (specify the Nebraska Grazing Conference).

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The annual Nebraska Grazing Conference is planned by people involved in the grazing livestock industry as well as public and private sector educators, researchers and land managers. It has several sponsors and exhibitors, the list for which was not available at the time this flyer was prepared. For questions, or to get on the mailing list for the NGC brochure, contact the University of Nebraska-Lincoln Center for Grassland Studies, 402-472-4101, grassland@unl.edu.

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