Registration Options
To complete registration online visit grassland.unl.edu/nebraska-grazing-conference. If you require assistance in registering, call (402) 472-8747.

Important Deadline Information
All registration fees increase $20.00 after July 31.

General Registration
$17 Pre-conference Tour (dinner)
$100 Full Conference (lunches and proceedings)
$75 Tuesday Only (lunch, proceedings)
$50 Wednesday Only (lunch, proceedings)

Student Registration
(full-time high school or college as of fall 2019)
$17 Pre-conference Tour (dinner)
$50 Full Conference (lunches, proceedings)
$25 Tuesday Only (lunch, proceedings)
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The first 20 high school students registering by July 31 will have their fees covered by UNL’s College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources. Scholarships are also available to UNL students and first-time producers. Contact (402) 472-4101 for additional information.

Cancellation Policy
General and sponsor cancellation requests received by July 31 will receive a full refund. Cancellation requests for sponsors/exhibitors received after July 31 have the option to receive a 50% refund or a 75% credit toward the next year’s sponsor registration.

Hotel
Ramada by Wyndham Kearney, 301 2nd Avenue, Kearney, NE is the venue for the conference. Reservations may be made by calling (308) 237-3141 before July 30. Indicate you are with the Nebraska Grazing Conference to receive negotiated pricing.
Sponsor/Exhibitor Opportunities

- Underwriter — $1,000
  - Includes booth, three conference registrations, proceedings and lunches.
- Gold — $500
  - Includes booth, two conference registrations, proceedings and lunches.
- Silver — $330
  - Includes booth, one conference registration, proceedings and lunches.
- Refreshment — $200
  - Includes mention of sponsor in print materials and one copy of proceedings.

Sponsors and exhibitors are welcome to attend the pre-conference tour on August 12. A separate fee will be charged for the tour, which includes an evening meal.

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Conference Schedule

**August 12, Monday**

**Pre-Conference Tour**

1:00 PM  Plant Identification Tour, Chris Helzer, The Nature Conservancy
5:30 PM  Catered dinner for registered participants
6:30 PM  Overview of The Nature Conservancy
7:00 PM  Evening concludes

Conference Schedule (cont’d)

**August 13, Tuesday**

**Welcome Session**

9:00 AM  Registration (Refreshments in Exhibit Area)
9:50 AM  Welcome and Opening Remarks, Daren Redfearn, Chair, Nebraska Grazing Conference Steering Committee
10:00 AM  “Managing Sand Deposits after the Flood,” Daren Redfearn, Agronomy & Horticulture, University of Nebraska-Lincoln
10:40 AM  “Rangeland Health: What Is It and Why Do I Care?” Patrick Shaver, Oregon State University, Corvallis, OR
11:20 AM  “Managing a Sandhills Ranch with an Eye to Soil Health,” Dana Larsen, Broken Heart Livestock, Thedford, NE
12:00 PM  Lunch

**Grazinglands Management Session**

1:00 PM  “Soil Health: Expectations & Evidence,” Virginia Jin, USDA Agricultural Research Service, Lincoln, NE
1:30 PM  “Mob Grazing on Nebraska Sandhills Meadow,” Walt Schacht, Agronomy & Horticulture, University of Nebraska-Lincoln
2:00 PM  “Effect of Length of Grazing Period on Upland Sandhills Range,” Jerry Volesky, Nebraska Extension, North Platte, NE
2:30 PM  “The Role of Dung Beetles on Nebraska Grazinglands: A Review of Current Science,” Jeff Bradshaw, Nebraska Extension, Scottsbluff, NE
3:00 PM  Break
3:30 PM  “Carbon Input and Loss in Semi-arid Sandy Rangeland,” Martha Mamo, Agronomy & Horticulture, University of Nebraska-Lincoln
4:15 PM  “Graze 365,” Jacob Miller, 7M Ranch, Culbertson, NE
4:45 PM  “Soil Health and Grazing Strategies: Opportunities for Increasing Soil Water,” Andrea Basche, Agronomy & Horticulture, University of Nebraska-Lincoln
5:15 PM  Social (Compliments of Ramada by Wyndham Kearney)

Conference Schedule (cont’d)

**August 14, Wednesday**

**Art & Science of Winter Grazing Session**

7:30 AM  Registration (Refreshments in Exhibit Area)
8:00 AM  Producer Panel: Winter Forage Strategies
  - Lon Larsen, Broken Heart Livestock, Thedford, NE
  - John Maddux, Maddux Cattle Company, Wauneta, NE
  - Logan Pribbeno, Wine Glass Ranch Inc., Imperial, NE
9:00 AM  “Odds and Ends of Non-traditional Winter Grazing Strategies,” Bruce Anderson, Agronomy & Horticulture, University of Nebraska-Lincoln
9:30 AM  “Size Does Not Matter When It Comes to Conservation,” Jim O’Rourke (2018 Leopold Award Recipient), RuJoDen Ranch, Chadron, NE
10:00 AM  Break

**Rangeland Resilience Session**

10:30 AM  “Resilience of Sandhills Grassland to Wildfire during Drought,” Jack Arterburn, Nebraska Extension, Rushville, NE
11:00 AM  “Grazing Before and After Prescribed Burns,” Sarah Sortum, Switzer Ranch, Burwell, NE
11:30 AM  “Resilience in Working Landscapes,” Craig Allen, Center for Resilience in Working Agricultural Landscapes, IANR
12:00 PM  Lunch

**Conference Reflection**

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1:30 PM  Final Comments, Evaluations, Adjourn

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