



NEBRASKA GRAZING CONFERENCE

TUESDAY AUGUST 4, 2026

NOON	TRADESHOW & REGISTRATION CHECK IN OPENS
1:00-3:30PM	NEBRASKA GRASSLAND ALLIANCE MEETING, ALL ARE WELCOME!
3:30-3:50PM	CHRIS HELZER VISUALIZING WILDLIFE HABITAT IN GRAZED GRASSLANDS
3:50-4:10PM	RYAN LODGE , GRAZING MANAGEMENT AND WILDLIFE HABITAT, FINANCIAL & TECHNICAL SUPPORT FOR WILDLIFE - FRIENDLY GRAZING
4:10-4:30PM	PRODUCER PANEL DAN & ANNE PURDY, GREG GEHL, & RYAN LODGE LAND OWNER PERSPECTIVES ON GRAZING FOR HABITAT HETEROGENEITY
4:30-5:00PM	TRADESHOW BREAK
5:00-7:00PM	INTERNATIONAL YEAR OF RANGELANDS & PASTORALISTS (IYRP) CELEBRATIONS & EXHIBITOR DISPLAYS
	CASH BAR OPEN & HOT HORS D'OEUVRES SERVED

WEDNESDAY AUGUST 5, 2026

8:00AM	TRADESHOW & REGISTRATION OPENS
8:30AM	MITCH STEPHENSON WELCOME TO THE 2026 NEBRASKA GRAZING CONFERENCE
8:35-8:50AM	LAURA NELSON NEBRASKA'S GRASSLANDS: WORKING TOGETHER FOR NEBRASKA'S GRASSLANDS
8:50-9:50AM	KEYNOTE SPEAKER: GAIL FULLER REGENERATIVE GRAZING: CHANGING FOOD PRODUCTION FROM THE GROUND UP
9:50-10:20AM	TRADESHOW MORNING BREAK
10:20-11:20AM	KEYNOTE SPEAKER: DR. TOM NOFFSINGER THE IMPORTANCE OF STOCKMANSHIP IN GRAZING MANAGEMENT
11:20-11:40AM	ALEX MCKIERNAN WOODY FORAGE, NOT WOODY ENCROACHMENT
11:40-NOON	ALEX DAAKE USING ROTATIONAL GRAZING ON IRRIGATED LAND FOR CATTLE PRODUCTION AND NITROGEN MANAGEMENT
NOON-1:00PM	TRADESHOW LUNCHEON
1:00-1:20PM	DAVE AIKEN CARBON CREDITS POLICY & MANAGEMENT
1:20-1:40PM	SARA COVER CARBON CREDITS ON NEBRASKA'S GRAZINGLANDS
1:40-2:00PM	TK ROGERS RANCHER PERSPECTIVE ON CARBON CREDITSON RANGELANDS
2:00-2:20PM	TRADESHOW AFTERNOON BREAK
2:20-2:40PM	YIJIE XIONG VIRTUAL FENCE: NEW OPPORTUNITY TO MANAGE GRAZING: WHAT WE HAVE LEARNED FROM RESEARCH?
2:40-3:00PM	RON JESSPERSON RANCHER EXPERIENCE ADOPTING VIRTUAL FENCE
3:00-3:20PM	ELLEN TRAHAN ROCKING FLYING T RANCH, TARGETED GRAZING USING COATS WITH VIRTUAL FENCE
3:20-3:50PM	PANEL DISCUSSION ON VIRTUAL FENCE TECHNOLOGY
3:50-4PM	CLOSING REMARKS & SAFE TRAVELS!