

Range meeting to explore impact of past management on present conditions

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Have you ever wondered how conservation and past land management have impacted your grazing lands? Are you interested in re-vegetation techniques?

Or do you have an interest in range management and the application of conservation practices grazing lands? Then join the Nebraska Section - Society for Range Management in Sidney, Nebraska on October 5-6, 2011.

“Understanding Past Management and What it Means Today” is the theme for the Section’s annual meeting.

A distinguished panel of speakers will address various aspects of this topic.

Douglas Helms, National Historian with the Natural Resources Conservation Service will be speaking about the “History of conservation on the American landscape” and Keith Klement, Director of Ag & Instructor of Natural Resources and Ranch Land Management, Sheridan College will explore “The use of repeat photography to document and interpret landscape change.”

Other speakers include Skye Wills, a soil scientist with the National Soil Survey Center and Stu McFarland, Ecological Site Inventory Specialist.

Several presenters are college students. Hadley Hill, Chadron State College will speak on “The Impacts of the Society for Range Management in the U.S and Internationally. “Herding Green into the Future by Using a Historic Lifestyle Economically and Environmentally” will be presented by Kelsey Cole and Sammi Jo McCoid. Both Kelsey and Sammi are students at Miles Community College. Laura Snell, student at UN-L will speak on “Greenhouse Gas Emissions in Brome Pastures.”

Wednesday’s events will be held at the Sidney Holiday Inn. A Crazy Auction will be held Wednesday evening to raise funds for the UN-L and Chadron State Student Range Clubs. A

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tour of re-vegetated sites near Sidney will be held on Thursday, Oct. 6.

Membership forms will be available for those wishing to join the Society.

For a complete agenda, registration forms or to find out more about the Society for Range Management visit the Nebraska Section SRM website www.ne.srm.org or contact Curtis Talbot (402)437-4176.