**Strategic & Targeted Grazing as Vegetation Management Tools – A Symposium**

**Great Basin College, 1500 College Parkway**

**Greenhaw Technical Arts Bldg., Room 130**

**Elko, NV**

**May 22, 2013**

8:00 am **Welcome** – Kent McAdoo, Univ. of Nevada Cooperative Extension

8:15 am **How Plants Grow** - Brad Schultz, Univ. of Nevada Cooperative Extension

8:45 am **Timing and Duration Management of Livestock Grazing** - Kent McAdoo

9:15 am **Strategic Grazing for Riparian Recovery** - Carol Evans, Bureau of Land Management

9:45 am **Break**

10:00 am **What Can We Learn from the Murphy Fire and Range Literature?** - Dr. Karen Launchbaugh, Univ. of Idaho

10:30 am **Effects of Long-Term Livestock Grazing on Fuel Characteristics in Rangelands: an Example from the Sagebrush Steppe** – Dr. Tony Svejcar (via webinar), USDA Agricultural Research Service

11:00 am **Can We Select Cattle for Grazing Distribution and Sustainable Use of Extensive and Mountainous Rangeland?** - Dr. Derek Bailey, New Mexico State Univ.

11:30 am **Lunch (hosted on site)**

1:00 pm **The Benefits of Targeted Grazing** - Dr. Karen Launchbaugh, Univ. of Idaho

1:30 pm **Fall Grazing to Reduce Cheatgrass** – Kent McAdoo (for Dr. Berry Perryman, Univ. of Nevada)

2:00 pm **Using Sheep for Green-strip Creation and Maintenance** – Jay Davison, Univ. of Nevada Cooperative Extension

2:30 pm **Cattle Browsing Sagebrush Steppe during Fall: Influence of Experience and Effects on Plant Community Structure** - Chuck Petersen, Natural Resources Conservation Service

3:00 pm **Break**

3:15 pm **Keys to Making Targeted Cattle Grazing More Effective** - Mitch Stephenson, New Mexico State Univ.

3:45 pm **Effectiveness and Costs of Using Targeted Grazing to Reduce Fire Danger and Alter Fire Behavior** - Dr. Allen Torell, New Mexico State Univ.

4:15 pm **Panel Discussion: What Are the Opportunities and Constraints for Using Strategic and Targeted Grazing as Vegetation Management Tools on Public Lands? –** Moderated by Mike Lunn, Solutions for Sustainability

**Participants**

Jill Silvey, Bureau of Land Management

Dave Palmer, U.S. Forest Service

Dr. JJ Goicoechea, Nevada Cattlemen’s Association

Dr. Sherm Swanson, University of Nevada, Reno

5:30 pm **Adjourn**

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