

Grazing School Presenters/Instructors

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South Dakota Grazing School Sept. 14-16, 2009

REGISTRATION

Send registration form and fee to:
South Dakota Grassland Coalition
Kyle Schell, Range Mgmt. Coord.
Box 2170 ASC 105, SDSU
Brookings, SD 57007

COST

\$150 per person
\$75 for each additional person
from the same operation
*Fee includes session materials and meals.

ACCOMMODATIONS

Participants are responsible for their own lodging.
A block of rooms is reserved at the
Oasis Inn, I-90 Exit 260
PH: (605) 734-6061
Ask for the "Grazing School" block.

Please make reservations by Sept. 7, 2009.

WHAT YOU CAN PROVIDE

Bring a map of your operation/land,
or provide a legal description
on the registration form
and we'll print a map for you.

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South Dakota

Grazing School

Sept. 14-16, 2009
Oacoma, SD

At Al's Oasis and on
the Lower Brule Trust Land



Participants will benefit from hands-on training
in the classroom and the field.

For information, call:
(605) 688-6623 or (605) 280-0127
Visit www.SDGrass.org

Hosted by:
South Dakota Grassland Coalition
South Dakota Cooperative Extension Service
USDA – Natural Resources Conservation Service
Lower James RC&D

AGENDA

Monday, September 14th

- 8:00- 8:45 am Check-In at Al's Oasis Classroom
- Bring plat map of your ranch operation
- Resource materials given to all participants
- 8:45 – 9:15 Welcome
- 9:15 – 10:15 Concepts of Grazing
- 10:15 – 11:15 Adaptive Mgmt. – Paradigm Shift
- 11:15 – 11:30 Travel to Lower Brule Trust Land
- 11:30 – 12:10 Grazers Math and Forage Sampling
- 12:10 – 12:40 Lunch
- 12:40 – 1:40 Pasture Allocation
- 1:40 – 2:10 Inventory of Ranch Resources
- 2:10 – 3:10 Plant Species ID, References, Plant Growth and Indicators
- 3:10 – 3:30 Break
- 3:30 – 4:30 Managing Diversity on Rangelands
- 4:30 Return to Al's Oasis
- 6:00 – 6:30 Dinner
- 7:00 – 8:30 Alumni Presentation / Vision and Goals

Tuesday, September 15th

- 7:00 – 7:45 am Breakfast/Attendance
- 7:45 – 8:15 Seasonality of Grazing Nutrition
- 8:15 – 8:45 Extending the Grazing Season
- 8:45 – 9:30 Mineral Nutrition Needs of Livestock
- 9:30 – 9:45 Break
- 9:45 – 10:15 How to Know if You're Succeeding
- 10:15 – 10:30 Travel to Lower Brule Trust Land
- 10:30 – 12:00 Check Cattle and Fences, Group Reports

Tuesday, September 15th (continued)

- 12:00 – 12:30 Lunch
- 12:30 – 5:00 Ranch Monitoring Exercises
 - Plant ID II
 - Rainfall Simulator
 - Soil Health & Infiltration
 - Transect Reading & Monitoring
- 5:00 Return to Al's Oasis
- 6:00 – 7:00 Dinner Grasslands Video
- Introduction to the SD Grassland Coalition
- 7:00 – 7:30 Open Discussion
- Experiences from Participants
- 7:30 – 8:00 Planning your Own Place
- Breakout Session with Instructors
- (Use your own plan map to incorporate what you've learned.)

Wednesday, September 16th

- 7:00 – 8:00 am Breakfast/Attendance
- 7:30 – 8:00 South Dakota Drought Calculator
- 8:00 – 8:15 Fencing and Watering Systems
- 8:15 – 9:00 Monitoring the System: A Holistic Approach
- 9:00 – 9:15 Travel to the Ranch
- 9:15 – 10:20 Check Cattle and Fences, Group Reports
- 10:20 – 11:30 Three 20-minute Stations
 - Plant ID Quiz
 - Clip Like a Cow
 - Implementing Grazing Practices
- 11:45 – 12:00 Return to Al's Oasis
- 12:00 – 1:00 Lunch, Evaluations and Certificates
- Presented by the SD Grassland Coalition

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 Kyle Schell, Range Mgmt. Coord.
 Box 2170 ASC 105, SDSU
 Brookings, SD 57007

Make checks payable to: SD Grassland Coalition

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September 14 – 16, 2009

Oacoma, SD

Name: _____

Operation/Affiliation: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Email: _____ Website: _____

Number of Persons Attending: _____

Amount Enclosed: _____ (\$150 per person or \$75 for each additional person attending from the same operation.)

Legal Description of your Operation: _____

(A map will be printed for you for use during the Grazing School. If you prefer, please bring your own map.)