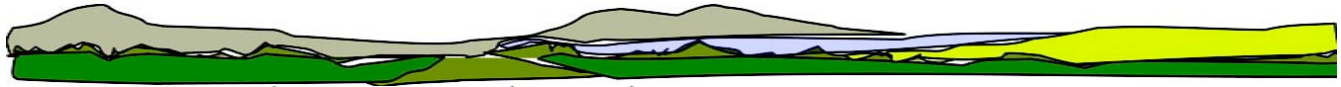


# LD Ford Rangeland Conservation Science



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## *NOW OFFERING SHORT-TERM OR ONGOING TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE*

LD Ford Rangeland Conservation Science has a new focus of consulting services to offer our California clients. Our current and recent work has focused on comprehensive grazing management assessments and plans for conservation rangelands. Recently, we've recognized that many of our clients would benefit from **short-term or ongoing technical assistance** in addition to our more comprehensive planning projects. Many of our client organizations are short-staffed, face increased workloads, or don't have a full-time licensed rangeland manager on staff. They often need efficient, short-term or on-going, temporary assistance with technical reviews, updates, advising, supervision of grazing leases, and customized training. Of course, our planning expertise allows us to integrate our efforts with any existing or future planning projects. **Advantages include efficient and timely services by licensed experts, expedition of needed work, and in many cases a better fit with budgetary constraints.** Services include:

### **1. On-Call Advising**

- Prepare advice memos based on quick or intensive surveys and the best available science
- Discussion of grazing management strategy options, including Adaptive Stewardship Grazing

### **2. Rapid Needs Assessment (from your office or ours)**

- Evaluate existing policy, planning, and guidance documents related to livestock grazing for conservation, sustainability, and safety based on the best available science
- Determine priority planning issues and expected costs
- Identify supplementary assessment and planning needs

### **3. Tools to Facilitate Planning and Information Referencing**

- Prepare scalable templates for Grazing Management Plans and Grazing Leases
- Design and deploy digital information referencing and reporting systems

### **4. Ongoing Assistance with Management of Properties and Grazing Leases**

- Conduct monitoring, reporting, and coordination according to an existing plan
- Assist with grazing lease preparation and lessee selection
- Supervise grazing leases and fee-credit services by lessees to meet conservation objectives and maintain infrastructure; advise on adaptation of management plans and adjustments of lessee actions

### **5. Customized Training, Workshops, and Informational Materials**

- Staff training or workshops in cost-effective monitoring, reporting, and adaptive management
- Synopses of the current science of rangeland conservation topics (collaborations with local colleges are possible)