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Colleagues and Clients:

I think you'll be interested in the following news about rangeland conservation and grazing management:

NEWS:

1. The latest California Farm Bureau Federation Ag Alert is about drought effects on California ranches. Get it at:
<http://www.cfbf.com/agalert/AgAlertStory.cfm?ID=841&ck=02A32AD2669E6FE298E607FE7CC0E1A0> .

2. The 2006 California Ag. Resource Directory and its feature story "Cowboys of the West: Protectors of Animal Agriculture," is available at: http://www.cdfa.ca.gov/card/card_06.htm .

The article features cowboys and rangeland photos, but does not include land conservation activities funded by or partially by the state.

EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES:

1. This Saturday, June 23, the Muir Heritage Land Trust is offering the "Ranching Heritage Day on Fernandez Ranch" from 10:00am-2:00pm. You can spend the day on the Land Trust's 702-acre Fernandez Ranch learning about Contra Costa County's ranching heritage. More information and directions at: www.muirheritagelandtrust.org .

2. On Tuesday, July 10T, the Coastal Training Program is sponsoring its third workshop on native grass monitoring from 10:00am to 4:00pm at Swanton Pacific Ranch in Santa Cruz County. This workshop was developed by Prof. James Bartolome, Grey Hayes, and Larry Ford. Space is limited, and registration is required. So download the application form at: http://www.rangelandconservation.com/News/Invitation_07_07_10.pdf .

then answer the questions and cut/paste or attach in an email to: info@elkhornsloughctp.org .

Thanks, Larry

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