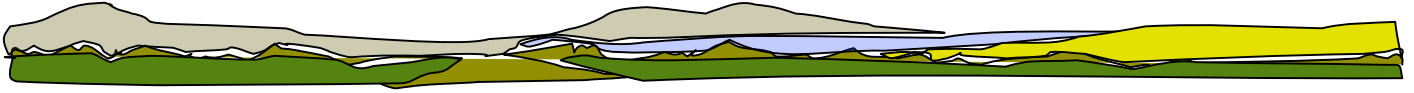


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Colleagues and Clients:

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

1. Central Coast Rangeland Coalition--Fall Membership Meeting, October 15, 2009

Reminder-- The CCRC will meet on Thursday, October 15 from 8:30-5:30 at the Coyote Grange Hall (8140 Monterey Road, Coyote, CA). The meeting will present results of the CCRC's 2009 spring monitoring program (Ford, Bartolome, and Rao), recent research on valley oak recruitment (McLaughlin, UCSC), and a panel discussion on water quality policy and regulations, species-level conservation, monitoring, and advice for beginners (Roessler MROSD, Congdon SCCOSD, and ranchers Dorrance, Fields, Claassen). An afternoon field trip to Coyote Ridge will feature methodologies for management and cooperation between ranchers and conservation lands managers. For more information, contact Grey Hayes at (831) 274-8700 or grey@elkhornslough.org.

2. Central Coast Rangeland Coalition Wins Grant from Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District

The CCRC recently won a research and education grant from MROSD to develop a new "Rancher, Manager, and Scientist Forum on Rangeland Conservation." The Forum will address high-priority rangeland management topics with a literature review by a graduate student and a workshop for discussion. The new program will be developed and led by Larry Ford and Grey Hayes (Coastal Training Program, Elkhorn Slough NRR).

3. CRCC E-Updates Now Archived

Past issues of the California Rangeland Conservation Coalition's E-updates are now archived and available at <http://www.carangeland.org/History.html>.

Thanks, Larry

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