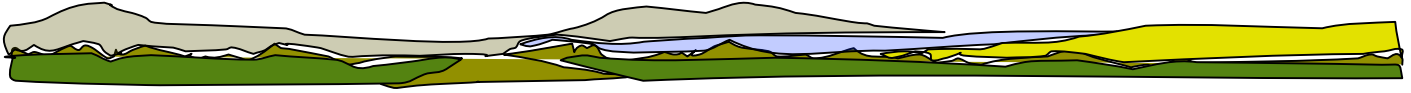


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Colleagues and Clients:

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

**1. Central Coast Rangeland Coalition--Spring Membership Meeting, April 15, 2010**

What is 'Overgrazing?' Are ranch lands critical to California's water issues? Twice a year, the Central Coast Rangelands Coalition meets to hear about late-breaking news and science affecting rangeland health along California's central coast. This is an excellent and rare opportunity to speak to leading conservation and land management groups, ranchers, biological consultants, regulatory agencies, private land owners, businesspeople, and many others actively pursuing better grassland stewardship. During this spring meeting, join meeting host Joe Morris in touring the Circle P Ranch. For more information, please contact Daniel Olstein ([dolstein@tnc.org](mailto:dolstein@tnc.org), (415) 281-0422) or Grey Hayes ([grey@elkhornslough.org](mailto:grey@elkhornslough.org), (831) 274-8700).

**2. California-Pacific Section of the Society for Range Management spring meeting at Deep Springs College, May 4-6, 2010**

The spring meeting of the California-Pacific Section of the Society for Range Management will be held May 4-6 at Deep Springs in Inyo County. The meeting will highlight the history and operation of Deep Springs College. Presentations will include a history of the College, student life, soils and geology of the region, endangered toads, PFC potential, and vegetation monitoring. The field tour will provide a view of endangered toad habitat, livestock management, farm operations, solar array, petroglyphs, White Mountain City, and hydro generator. Attendance limited to 50 people. This is a camp out meeting at a remote location with meals provided at the College. Those that don't wish to camp may stay in Big Pine or Bishop (about an hour drive). For more information, go to <http://www.rangelands.org/casrm/>

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### **3. CalPac SRM Range Camp, June 20-25, 2010**

The 26th Annual Range and Natural Resources Camp will be held at Elkus Youth Ranch, Half Moon Bay, California, June 20-25, 2010. At camp, students 15-18 years old discover the science and management of our natural resources from experienced professionals and university faculty. Sessions and Activities include: Riparian Habitats, Rangeland Ecology, Wildlife Management, Soils, Forestry, Plant ID, Beach BBQ, Recreation, Private & Public Lands, Watershed Hydrology, GPS / GIS Technology Applications, Evening Campfires, Tour of Working Ranch, and Team Project Planning Competition. Cost is \$400 per camper. If you know of any local organizations that you think would help support range camp please send them this information, and ask them to contact us. For more information, please contact Marc Horney (mhorney@calpoly.edu), Julie Finzel (julie@range-ecology.com) or Cece Dahlstrom (carol.dahlstrom@navy.mil).

Thanks, Larry