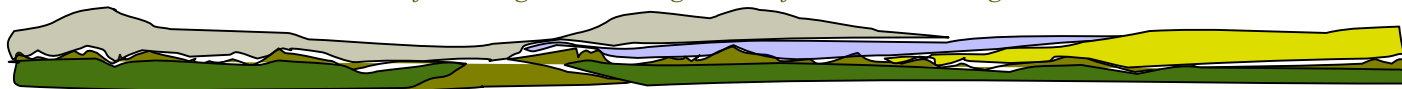


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Colleagues and Clients:

1. California Rangeland Conservation Coalition Summit, January 19-20, 2011, Modesto

The 6th Annual California Rangeland Conservation Coalition Summit will be held January 19-20, 2011 in Modesto. This summit, titled Beyond Conventional Ranching, will address recent research on rangeland raptors, management of endangered species habitat, ecosystem services markets, water quality, and vernal pools. Ranchers and managers will address stewardship of ranches, grazing as an important landscape management tool, coordination among agencies, and ranching for green payments in Florida. Registration is available at:

<http://store.calcattlemen.org/Summit.aspx> .

2. Central Coast Rangeland Coalition General Meeting, April 21, 2011

Hold the date... April 21, 2011 for the spring general meeting of the Central Coast Rangeland Coalition. Planning is underway. Most likely the meeting will be at Santa Teresa County Park in San Jose, focusing on the special habitats there, and planning for the reintroduction of livestock grazing after many decades without grazing. More details later...

3. Two New Surveys by the Central Coast Rangeland Coalition—Value of Monitoring and Priority Topics for Study

The Central Coast Rangeland Coalition (CCRC) recently completed two surveys of its membership. One asked about the values of the 2007-2009 monitoring of rangeland health and sustainability as perceived by the participating rangeland managers. The other survey asked for priorities for topics to examine for the next CCRC Rancher, Manager, and Scientist Forum on Rangeland Conservation. You can download the reports from these surveys at:

http://www.elkhornsloughctp.org/training/show_train_detail.php?TRAIN_ID=CeLWBNJ .

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