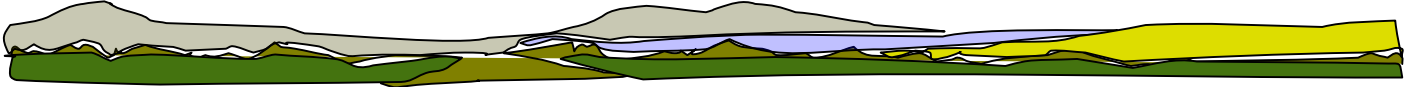


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Colleagues and Clients:

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

**1. California Rangeland Conservation Coalition (CRCC)--Annual Summit and Rangeland Science Symposium, UC Davis Freeborn Hall, January 19-20, 2012**

This year's event encompass 2-days! The first day, will have a very scientific feel, featuring recent rangeland research from throughout California. The Rangeland Science Symposium will focus on water quality and quantity on working rangelands, invasive weed management, ecosystem services and tradeoffs, rangeland policies, and more. The second day will follow the traditional CRCC Summit format with more scientific presentations, ranchers sharing their conservation stories, and successful collaborative conservation initiatives on public and private lands, along with networking opportunities.

For more details visit - <http://www.carangeland.org/home/2012summit.html> .

**2. California Native Plant Society 2012 Conservation Conference, San Diego, January 10-14, 2012**

This is a 5-day scientific conference for scientists and decision-makers in agencies, consulting firms, and environmental organizations; university professors and students, horticulturists, landscaping professionals, conservation advocates and grassroots activists, and the public. There will be over 200 talks on science, policy and conservation practices, 14 workshops, and numerous social and art events.

Ford will be giving a talk, "Conservation Grazing: Grazing Management Planning, Monitoring, and Plan Adaptation for Endangered Species Habitat in California Annual Grasslands," in the "Land Management and the Conservation of Plants and Communities" session, Saturday, January 14 at 1:00pm.

For more information, go to <http://www.cnps.org/cnps/conservation/conference/2012/> .

Happy New Year, Larry

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