

Great Basin Consortium Annual Meeting, 1-2 February 2018, at the Society for Range Management 71st Annual Meeting (<http://annualmeeting.rangelands.org/>) 29 January-2 February 2018, Sparks, NV

Thursday, February 1st, Nugget Ballroom 2, 2nd Floor

Sagebrush Country: The Science of Working Lands

The *Sagebrush Country: The Science of Working Lands*, Great Basin Consortium summit will bring together resource managers and researchers from federal and state agencies, ranches, tribes, and other organizations to discuss what research and practice is being done on public and private lands in order to address current management challenges, and where more can be done. There are many examples of successful public-private partnerships, interagency work, and case studies to showcase.

OVERVIEW: HOW TO AVOID ANOTHER DUST BOWL –SCIENCE, MANAGEMENT, & WORKING TOGETHER

- 8:00 **Mike Pellant**, BLM – Historical perspective: Lack of communication, partnerships, and science and how things began to change
- 8:20 **Linda Chappell**, USFS – Rangeland fire management: the National Cohesive Strategy and the Integrated Rangeland Fire Management Strategy
- 8:40 **Meghan Brown**, NDA – Western Weed Strategy Action Plan, Inter-jurisdiction weed management
- 9:00 **Steve Hanser**, USGS – The Integrated Rangeland Fire Management Strategy Actionable Science Plan: Implementing science to address management needs of sagebrush country
- 9:20 **Karen Prentice**, BLM – Conserving the sagebrush biome: Working at the edge of science and management

WEED MANAGEMENT AND BIOLOGICAL CONTROL

- 9:40 **Roger Sheley**, ARS – Ecologically-Based Invasive Plant Management
- 10:00 Break
- 10:20 **Stuart Hardegree**, ARS – Using weather data in land treatment decisions
- 10:40 **Dustin Johnson**, OSU – Medusahead Control
- 11:00 **Ann Moser**, IDFG and **Matt Germino**, USGS – Noxious weed control through herbicide and biocontrol: The Idaho Sage Grouse Action Group Project
- 11:20 **Karen Launchbaugh**, U of I – Targeted Grazing in Idaho
- 11:40 **Barry Perryman**, UNR, and **Bill Wilber**, Drewsey Field Ranch – Producer Perspective on Targeted Grazing Project

12:00 Lunch

RESTORATION

- 1:00 **Michael Taylor**, UNR – An Economic Perspective on Restoration Seeding
- 1:20 **Fred Edwards**, BLM – Increasing the availability of native plants for restoring rangelands: Seeds for Success partnerships

- 1:40 **Jeff Ott**, USFS – Long-term effects of post-fire seed mixes on vegetation recovery: revisiting a large-scale seeding experiment in Tintic Valley, Utah
- 2:00 **Matt Germino**, USGS – Soda Fire Restoration: Differing approaches in Oregon and Idaho
- 2:20 **David Pilliod**, USGS – Demystifying beaver and beaver-inspired in-stream structures as restoration tools in western rangelands

CASE STUDIES: PUBLIC AND PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS

- 2:40 **Jamie McCormack**, BLM – Making NEPA Work for Working Lands
- 3:00 Break
- 3:20 **Gary Burnett**, Rolling Stone Ranch – The Blackfoot Challenge: A Public-Private Partnership Success Story (www.blackfootchallenge.org)-(contrast Northern Rockies with Great Basin)
- 3:40 **Emily-Jane Davis**, OSU – Rangeland Fire Protection Associations in Oregon and Idaho: Implications for Fire Adaptation and Agency-Community Relationships
- 4:00 **Virginia Sanchez**, Duckwater Tribe – Sustainability plans for newly received lands from BLM
- 4:20 **Chad Boyd**, ARS – Using Science as a tool to understand complex issues and build trust in collaborative partnerships
- 4:40 **Moderator** – Q&A, and Wrap-up: Moving forward with science and management communities of practice for working lands

Great Basin Consortium Individual Organization Meetings:

Wednesday, January 31st, Location TBD (either the Nugget or the University)

1:00-5:00 Great Basin Environmental Program (GBEP)

Thursday, February 1st, Southern Pacific B, 3rd Floor

5:00-6:00 GBC all-organization members meeting to discuss GBC future, membership, and best ways to coordinate

Friday, February 2nd, Southern Pacific B or C, 3rd Floor

Southern Pacific B	Southern Pacific C
8:00-11:00 Great Basin Landscape Conservation Cooperative (GBLCC)	10:00-12:00 Great Basin Fire Science Exchange (GBFSE)
11:00-12:00 Society for Ecological Restoration, Great Basin Chapter (GBSER)	12:00-1:30 Great Basin Cooperative Ecosystem Studies Unit (GBCESU)
1:00-3:00 Great Basin Native Plant Project (GBNPP)	