

Foothills Restoration Forum – 2016 Events

Range Health Assessment Training

Antelope Creek Ranch, Brooks, Alberta
September 15, 2016



The Foothills Restoration Forum is pleased to offer range health assessment training at a new venue in the Mixedgrass prairie, Antelope Creek Ranch, near Brooks Alberta.

Designed for students, ecologists, land owners, regulators, planners, reclamation practitioners and anyone interested in learning more about native grassland ecosystems.



Native Grasslands are healthy when the key functions of production, soil stability, capturing and releasing water, nutrient cycling and functional diversity of native plants, are performing well. Measuring the status of these key functions is the foundation of monitoring rangeland health.

This course offers field-based training on common plant identification, use of soils and landscape mapping (AGRASID and GVI) in relation to Alberta's Range Plant Community Guides and Range Health Assessment Manuals. These tools are designed to classify and assess grassland plant communities and are critical for pre-site assessments, reclamation design and restoration of native grassland.

Early Bird Registration: Register by Friday August 12th, 2016 for \$135.00 per person (includes course materials). Registration after the early bird date is \$150.00 per person.

Online Registration is available at www.foothillsrestorationforum.ca; or you are welcome to contact Donna Watt directly at: corpirate@shaw.ca or (403) 563-8925 for student rates, registration, and additional information.

FRF Annual Fall Information Session

Claresholm Community Hall, Claresholm, Alberta

November 17, 2016

A variety of stakeholders gather for one day to listen to presentations on grassland conservation and restoration. The open mike session fosters a collaborative environment for the exchange of current information and new ideas through short updates on emerging issues, current projects, restoration efforts and techniques for restoring native grassland habitats. The event includes our 'traditional' welcome cinnamon rolls, a catered lunch and plenty of opportunity to visit and network.

Sponsorship Our goal is to ensure that events and information are assessable to everyone.

We rely on sponsorship to help with cost recovery and continuation of the Forum. Please contact us if you, or your organization, are interested in providing support for these events.

