



RANCHING IN THE WEST SEMINAR SERIES

RANCHING COLLABORATIVELY: MASTERING PUBLIC LAND PARTNERSHIPS

5:00 PM	<p>Welcome Casper College Dr. Jerry Hawkes, Dean, School of Science</p> <hr/>
5:05 PM	<p>Ranch Management & Agricultural Leadership degree Dr. Kelly Crane, Acting Dean, College of Ag, Life Sciences and Natural Resources</p> <hr/>
5:15 PM	<p>Setting the Stage Russell Burton, Y2 consultant, and WY SRM president-elect.</p> <hr/>
5:25 PM	<p>Introductions of Panelists Russell Burton, Y2 consultant, and WY SRM president-elect.</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Jack Berger - Rancher and Wyoming Stock Growers President Mike Murry - BLM Rangeland Management Specialist Thad Berrett - Forest Service Rangeland Management Specialist Dan Rice - Rancher, and permittee on National Forest</p> <hr/>
5:35 PM	<p>Panel Discussion Facilitated by Russell Burton</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What are challenges as a permittee and Range Con? 2. In what ways have you been successful in collaborating to meet these challenges? Please share a few examples. <hr/>
5:55 PM	<p>Break Sponsored by Farm Credit Services</p> <hr/>
6:10 PM	<p>Panel Discussion Continued</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What are the attributes of an effective permittee? 2. What are the attributes of an effective range con? <hr/>
6:30 PM	<p>Open Question and Answer Facilitated by Barton Stam, Hot Springs County Ag & Natural Resources Ext. Educator</p> <hr/>
6:50 PM	<p>Common Themes and Observations on Public Lands Partnership in Wyo Barton Stam, Hot Springs County Ag & Natural Resources Ext. Educator</p> <hr/>
7:00 PM	<p>Dinner and time for networking Sponsored by Farm Credit Services</p> <hr/>
7:30 PM	<p>Evaluation Survey QR Code Scan here for survey!</p>



PANELIST BIOS



Barton Stam has been a range management extension educator with the University of Wyoming Extension since 2004, focusing on aiding livestock producers in Western Wyoming to run sustainable and profitable businesses through sound grazing management principles on various lands. He resides in Hot Springs County, Wyoming, and addresses key issues such as livestock grazing, forage management, and rangeland monitoring in his work.



Russell Burton, a Natural Resources Field Services Project Manager with Y2 Consultants, LLC, specializes in collaborative resource management with a focus on western rangelands, wildlife habitat, and GIS applications. Engaged in community service, he contributes to the Sublette County 4H Program and actively participates in professional organizations like the Society for Range Management, representing Wyoming nationally.



Thad Berrett, currently serving as the District Ranger on the Powder River Ranger District of the Bighorn National Forest, brings a wealth of experience in rangeland management from various roles across different regions. With a passion for the outdoors and horses instilled from his upbringing, Thad combines his profession with personal interests, striving to support both his district staff and the public effectively.



Dan Rice, a fourth-generation rancher from Ten Sleep, operates a commercial cow-calf operation with his family on federal lands, continuing a tradition spanning over a century. Together with his wife and sons, Dan manages grazing permits on US Forest Service and BLM lands, embodying a deep-rooted connection to the land and its stewardship.



Michael (Mike) D. Murry, a seasoned Rangeland Management Specialist with the Bureau of Land Management, has dedicated his career to the stewardship of Wyoming's vast landscapes. Recognized for his contributions, he has received awards such as the "Rangeland Management Specialist of the Year" from the State of Wyoming and the "Excellence in Range Stewardship Award" from the Wyoming Society of Range Management.



Jack Berger, a prominent figure in Wyoming's agricultural community, holds leadership positions in various organizations and actively contributes to conservation efforts. With a background in Ranch Management and extensive involvement in cattle operations, Jack is deeply committed to sustainable land use practices, evident in his roles within conservation districts and industry associations.

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