

Registration Form:

Class size is limited. Pre-register by September 9, by sending a \$100 deposit (made out to *Owyhee County Extension*) to:

Lost Rivers Grazing Academy
UI Owyhee County Extension
P.O. Box 400, Marsing, ID 83639

Your deposit is fully refundable until September 1. The remainder of your fee is due at on-site registration at 8 a.m. the first day of the conference. We are unable to accept payment by credit card.

Name(s):

Organization:

Mailing Address:

Contact Information:

Home phone: _____

Work phone: _____

E-mail: _____

Persons with disabilities who require alternative means for communication or program information or reasonable accommodations need to contact Debbie Titus at least one week in advance at P.O. Box 400, Marsing, ID 83639, 208-896-4104, or owyhee@uidaho.edu.

Teaching Staff:

The Lost Rivers Grazing Academy was developed by faculty of UI Extension, several of whom will serve as your instructors. They include Extension educators Scott Jensen, Jim Hawkins, Shannon Williams, and Chad Cheyney as well as Extension forage specialist Glenn Shewmaker and Extension economist C. Wilson Gray.

A featured speaker is grazing lands consultant Jim Gerrish of American GrazingLands Services LLC of May, Idaho. Gerrish, formerly of the University of Missouri's Forage Systems Research Center, writes grazing columns for *Stockman Grass Farmer* and has authored a book on management-intensive grazing. You won't find anyone with more practical experience in forage management and livestock grazing than Jim.

Participation Costs:

Full-time (includes continental breakfasts, lunches, suppers, breaks, one set of materials per ranch or farm, plus evening presentations):

- Per person: \$450
- Per ranch/farm team: \$450 for first team member and \$300 for each additional member

Day-time only: \$125 per day or any part

Alumni: \$250 (does not include materials)

Additional materials: \$100 per set

For More Information:

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Intensive Management of Irrigated Pastures

LOST RIVERS GRAZING ACADEMY

September 15-18, 2009

Salmon, Idaho



A boots-on-the-ground workshop for livestock operators who want to increase their forage production, stocking rates, animal performance, and net income by letting their livestock harvest the sun's energy through their feed.

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Who Should Attend:

- Producers of beef and dairy cattle, sheep, horses, and other domesticated grazing animals
- Professionals working in livestock-related industries

How You Can Benefit:

- Enhance your grazing-management skills and improve your forage and livestock production
- Reduce the dollars and hours you spend fertilizing, harvesting, and feeding hay
- Increase your animal units and net income
- Improve deteriorating pastures
- Gain a foundation of knowledge from which to launch a new livestock operation
- Learn sustainable practices that will maintain and improve the productivity of your ranch

Learn How to:

- Design grazing cells and determine appropriate stocking rates
- Design water systems
- Design and build permanent and portable electric fences for use under center-pivots and wheel lines
- Minimize animal stress during handling
- Stockpile standing forage and draw on animals' "fat banks" to reduce winter feed costs
- Devise custom-grazing leases
- Develop a ranch economic plan



Location/Travel:

The LRGA will be held at Eagle Valley Ranch in the beautiful Salmon River Valley. At about 4,000 feet elevation, weather is changeable, so come prepared for anything from sunshine to snowflakes—but schedule your recreation for before and after the workshop, because we'll keep you fully occupied. All days begin at 8 a.m. with continental breakfast, and the noon meal may be a working lunch.

Salmon is located 133 miles from Missoula, 169 miles from Idaho Falls, 218 miles from Pocatello, and 255 miles from Boise. If you'd like to fly directly into Salmon, contact Salmon Air (208-756-6211) for details.

Salmon motels include the Stagecoach Inn (208-756-2919), Salmon River Motel (208-756-8880), Motel Deluxe (208-756-2231), Suncrest Motel (208-756-2294), Trails End Motel (208-756-1499), and Wagon West Motel (208-756-4281). B&Bs include the Grayhouse Inn (208-756-3968), Syringa Lodge (208-756-4424), and Solaas B&B (208-756-3903).

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What Our Graduates Say:

"It opened my eyes to how productive I had better be as a rancher. I will never look at a blade of grass the same way again." **Todd Holbrook, Bancroft, Idaho**

"It was as good of a school as I've been to. You can take what you've learned back to your own place. It makes a big difference. We're probably feeding a third to a half more cows under our pivot and it's brought in at least a fourth more income." **VerNon Roche, Mackay, Idaho**

"People are amazed by how much grass I can grow on the ground that I've got. I run 300 cow-calf pairs on 11 paddocks and I can keep them on grass until the middle of November before they have to be supplemented with hay." **Nancy Chester, Challis, Idaho**

"I enjoy ranching a lot more now. It's less stress, you get the animals doing the work instead of having to use machinery and fuel, and you don't have to fight the weather. It's a lot more interesting, too—and we're paying off debt." **Joe Miller, Salmon, Idaho**

Additional Comments. . .

- Much more detail on info that I need — especially on pasture management; good hands-on; excellent resources and presentations!
- Learned a great deal about MiG; matching animal needs with forages; matching stocking rate with carrying capacity!
- This program is great. It should be mandatory for every person that has livestock that graze.
- The program went beyond my expectations. The material was very high-quality. The reference materials provided were unexpected. Time was balanced well between field and class. I had fun, and the food was great! Very organized, polished, highly valuable class.