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FROM THE PRESIDENT...

The only constant is change

What a change..... summer has arrived throughout Colorado. The reports have changed from snow depth to river flows, hills have turned from brown to green and change is all around us! Let me first express my humble gratitude for the honor of being able to serve as your Section president-Thank you. So, there has been a lot happening in your Section and the Society! The annual winter meeting entitled, "Forging Resilience: Lands, Communities, and the Next Generation" was held on December 4-5 in beautiful LaForet Resort in Colorado Springs. I would like to thank all the speakers and attendees that braved the winter storm to make the meeting a success. The warm and intimate venue was a change from the usual, but was a great gathering spot for listening, learning, catching up with old friends, and making new connections. Speakers included: Courtney White as the keynote speaker from the Quivira Coalition, Joel Moffett-NRCS- District Conservationist, Joel Vaad-Manager of the CSU Maxwell Ranch, Dr. Maria Fernandez-Gimenez with Retta Brueger and Hailey Wiler-CSU and the Learning from the Land project, William Burnidge and Terri Schulz-The Nature Conservancy, Dr. Emily Kachergis-Ecologist at the BLM National Operations Center, Dr. Doug Tolleson-Range Specialist at the V bar V ranch in Arizona, and Wink



Exploring Landscape Management — Summer Tour

Join us for the Annual Colorado Section of the Society for Range Management Summer Tour at the BADER RANCH.



Check-In and Registration will begin at 8:00 am (payment must be made at this time if credit card was not used).

The tour will begin at 9:00 am at the Bader Ranch Headquarters.

The topics of the day are:

- Landscape management
- Water, Watersheds and Landscapes
- Livestock management in landscapes
- Landscape level phenomena –wildlife, drought, insects
- Indicators of success

The tour leaders/speakers will be Kelly , Randy, and Ira Bader, Roy Roath, Ben Berlinger, and Tim Steffens

Tour sponsors are: Colorado Section of Society for Range Management, Bader Ranch, and some others to be named.

Lunch and supper are included in the registration and folks are encouraged to stay for supper and the post meal discussions. There may be libations to ease the thought process.

Registration is \$30, after Sept 4 it is \$35. There will be credit card processing fee charged, \$1.74 or \$1.87 after Sept 4. Please register at:

<https://coloradorangetour.eventbrite.com>

Lodging in La Junta

A block of rooms has been reserved at the Hampton Inn (719-384-4444) located on the west side of La Junta (27800 US Hwy 50, La Junta, CO 81050) for the night of September 10th. The rate is \$83.00 plus tax. When checking in mention you are with the Society for Range Management (SRM) or Ben Berlinger. The room rate is for 1 or 2 adults, with 2 queen beds.

The CSSRM BOD meeting will be held at 6:30 pm at the Hampton Inn on Wednesday, September 10th. Agenda will be posted on CSSRM web site.

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