## **Draft Agenda**

# "Rangeland Productivity"

## CCRC Fall 2018 Meeting

October 18, 2018 Cal Poly Swanton Pacific Ranch 8:30 – 4:30

Due to changing conditions, driving directions shared with those registered 1 week before program

#### **Goal and Objectives**

Goal: Improve participant understanding of alternate methods of cattle management and corollary effects on productivity and soil.

#### Objectives:

- Participants improve their understanding of
  - o The holistic management approach at Swanton Pacific Ranch
  - o How rangeland management can affect livestock productivity
  - o Challenges and solutions to monitoring rangeland soil health
- Participants enjoy hearing diverse perspectives
- Participants enjoy experiencing a new place

### Agenda

| Time        | Item  |
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|             | Person  |
|             |   |
| 8:30 - 9:00 | Arrivals and shuttle/hike up hill to venue                    |
| 9:00 - 9:10 | Welcome to the Meeting  |
| 9:10 - 9:20 | Welcome to Swanton Pacific Ranch                              |
|             | TBD: Gordon Claassen, Becca Pulcrano, and/or Brian Dietterick |
| 9:20 - 9:25 | Agenda review and introductions to 1st exercise               |
|             | Grey Hayes  |
| 9:25 – 9:50 | 1st Exercise – small groups                                   |
|             | Name, organization, position                                  |
|             | How do you feel about today's program?                        |
|             | What do you hope to learn?                                    |
|             | Small group facilitators                                      |

| Time          | Item Person   |
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| 9:50 - 10:00  | Break   |
| 10:00 - 10:20 | Grazing management practices: what seems to work, and why? Dr. Marc Horney Assistant Professor, Rangeland Resource Management Animal Sciences Department California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo |
| 10:20 - 10:40 | Understanding Soil Health in California's Annual Rangelands Dr. Toby O'Geen Professor & Soil Resource Specialist in Cooperative Extension Department of Land, Air and Water Resources, UC Davis                   |
| 10:40 - 11:00 | The Connection Between Grazing and Soil Health: What do we know and what are we learning?  Dr. Chelsea Carey Senior Soil Ecologist Point Blue Conservation Science  |
| 11:00 - 11:30 | Q and A, panel  |
| 11:30 - 12:00 | Small group exercise #2 How do you feel about what you heard this a.m. What did you learn, how can what you heard be applied to improving the vibrancy of central coast rangelands?  Small group facilitators     |
| 12:00 - 1:00  | Lunch   |
| 1:00 - 1:30   | Swanton Pacific Ranch Holistic Management Presentation – what it is   |
| 1:30 - 1:50   | Walk to learning areas- revolve every 30 minutes  |
| 1:50 - 2:20   | Station #1 – rangeland productivity Presenter + other knowledgeable + 1 SPR (Gordon?)   |
| 2:20 - 2:50   | Station #2 – rangeland soils Presenters + other knowledgeable + 1 SPR (Becca?)  |
| 2:50 - 3:05   | Break   |
| 3:05 - 3:35   | Station #3 – rangeland water improvements Presenter + other knowledgeable + 1 SPR (Brian?)  |

| Time        | Item Person   |
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| 3:35 – 4:05 | Final small group exercise Small group facilitators |
| 4:05 - 4:15 | Closing   |
| 4:15        | Walk/shuttle to parking area                        |