

Central Coast Rangeland Coalition
Thursday, October 17, 2024
CalPoly Beef Center

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| 8:30 a.m. | Registration and coffee (Cal Poly Beef Center) |
| 9:00 a.m. | Welcome Walter Ruzzo , Member: Deans Advisory Council CalPoly SLO College of Agriculture, Food and Environmental Science; Chair: Swanton Pacific Ranch Advisory Council Dr. George Gallagher , Department Head, Animal Science CalPoly SLO |
| 9:10 a.m. | Meeting Introduction and Background Dr. Grey Hayes , Education and Research Programs Manager, Swanton Pacific Ranch Background: defining rangeland restoration and improvement |
| 9:20 a.m. | Small Group Discussion 1 |
| 9:55 a.m. | Panel Discussion: Rangeland Restoration/Improvement Process Benefits and Constraints Moderated by: Dr. Grey Hayes, Education and Research Programs Manager Dr. Yamina Pressler , Professor, Cal Poly SLO. Natural Resources and Environmental Science Department (NRES) Liz Reikowski , Rancher and Board Member San Benito Resource Conservation District Claudio Nunez , Grazing Program Manager, Santa Lucia Conservancy Katie Brown , Senior Environmental Scientist and Rangeland Program Coordinator, Althouse & Meade Consultants |
| 10:40 a.m. | Break |
| 10:50 a.m. | Funding/Collaboration Opportunities and Information Sources Rangeland Restoration Practitioners' Perspectives , Maxwell Farmer, 2024 Forum Scholar, Graduate Student, NRES Cal Poly, SLO Resource Management System , Jacob Dixon, Resource Management Specialist, Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS), Santa Maria Rangeland Restoration Using Sheep and Goats , Elizabeth Reynolds, Lecturer and Supervisor of Sheep and Goat Enterprise, Cal Poly SLO |
| 12:05 p.m. | Small Group Discussion 2 |
| 12:30 p.m. | Lunch |
| 1:25 p.m. | Field Site Visit Station 1 Escuela Ranch, livestock productivity , Aaron Lazanoff, Beef Operations Manager, CalPoly SLO Station 2 Escuela Ranch Road Improvement Project , Hayley Barnes, Conservation Projects Manager, Coastal San Luis Resource Conservation District Station 3 Walter Creek Riparian Restoration Project , Carolyn Geraghty, Restoration Program Manager, Morro Bay National Estuary Program |
| 3:10 p.m. | Small Group Discussion Activity 3 |
| 3:55 p.m. | Closing Remarks Rob Rutherford , Retired Animal Science Professor, Cal Poly SLO |
| 4:30 p.m. | Program Ends |
| 5:00 p.m. | Reception |