

Progressive Rancher Forum Topics—2011 Winter Roundup

This is a preliminary listing of the wide array of topics that will be addressed in concurrent 50-minute sessions throughout the Progressive Rancher Forum on Tuesday, December 13th.

	Program 1 <i>Wyoming Room</i>	Program 2 <i>Natrona Room</i>	Program 3 <i>Shoshoni Room</i>	Program 4 <i>Cheyenne Room</i>
Topics:	Range Management Tools	Especially For Women	Livestock Feeding & Marketing	Variety
Session 1 2:00 - 2:50	Topic: Cheat Grass Control Speaker: <i>Brian Mealor,</i> Assistant Professor & Extension Weed Specialist; Dept. of Plant Sciences—UW	Topic: Women in Range Speaker: <i>Rachel Mealor,</i> Rangeland Extension Specialist; Dept. of Renewable Resources UW	Topic: Selecting for Efficiency, Understanding RFI and Other Tools Speaker: <i>Dr. Steve Paisley,</i> Associate Professor, WY State Beef Extension Specialist - UW	Topic: Using Vaccines Speaker: <i>Dr. Kerry Rood,</i> Animal, Dairy & Veterinary Sciences - Utah State University
Session 2 3:00 - 3:50	Topic: Site & Transition Models Speakers: <i>(invited)</i> <i>Emily Kachergis,</i> Ecologist, UDSA - ARS Rangeland Resource Research Unit <i>James Pritchett,</i> Associate Professor, Dept. of Agricultural & Resource Economics - CSU	Topic: Annie's Project Speaker: <i>Tammie Jensen,</i> Extension Educator - UW	Topic: Feed Management to Reduce Waste & Improve Efficiency Speaker: <i>Dr. Scott Lake,</i> Assistant Professor, Beef Extension Specialist - UW	Topic: Sustainable Agriculture Research & Education Speakers: <i>Larry Cundall</i> Southeast Wyoming RC&D <i>Jim Freeburn</i> Cooperative Extension - UW
Session 3 4:00 - 4:50	Topic: Rangeland Monitoring Speaker: <i>Rachel Mealor,</i> Rangeland Extension Specialist; Dept. of Renewable Resources UW	Topic: Role of Social Media in Ranching Speaker: <i>Liz Lauck,</i> Communication & Publications Director - WSGA	Topic: Culling & Marketing in a time of High Prices Speaker: <i>Bridger Feuz,</i> Extension Educator - UW	Topic: Using Vaccines Speaker: <i>Dr. Kerry Rood,</i> Animal, Dairy & Veterinary Sciences - Utah State University

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Trade Show, & Auction

December 13—December 15, 2011

**Parkway Plaza Hotel & Convention Centre
Casper, Wyoming**

Preliminary Schedule

NOTE: The Annual "Make It With Wool" Fashion show will take place on Monday, December 12 at the 11:30 luncheon preceding the "Making A Plan" Workshop.

"Making a Plan" Agriculture Succession and Estate Transfer Workshop: Monday 1 p.m.—Tuesday noon. ***Separate registration required.***

Tuesday, December 13

- 10:00 a.m. Registration Opens
- 12:00 noon Joint Workshop/Roundup Luncheon
- 1:00 a.m. Wyoming CattleWomen Meeting
- 2:00 p.m. **Progressive Rancher Forum**
4 Concurrent Programs [See Page 4 for Listing]
- 6:30 p.m. Branding Iron Bar, Reception and Auction
- ◆ **Wyoming Ag in the Classroom**
25th Anniversary Celebration
Governor Matt Mead (invited)

Wednesday, December 14

- 6:30 a.m. WSGA Officers, Committee Chairs & Past Presidents' Breakfast
- 7:00 a.m. Registration Opens
- 8:00 a.m. Wyoming Ag in the Classroom Meeting
- 8:00 a.m. Opening General Session
- ◆ Door Prize Drawing
 - ◆ Welcome: **Mark Eisele**, President
 - ◆ Pledge of Allegiance

 - ◆ Keynote Speaker

 - ◆ Panel: "What Agriculture Means to Wyoming"
—Representatives of Wyoming Economic Sectors

 - ◆ The Beef Industry—National & Regional Perspective
—**Philip Ellis**, NCBA Region V Vice President, Policy
- 11:30 a.m. Luncheon
- ◆ **Wyoming Beef Council**
40th Anniversary Recognition
 - ◆ Stewardship Finalist Recognition

 - ◆ Speaker
—**Senator Al Simpson (invited)**

Wednesday, December 14—Continued

- 12:45 p.m. **SILENT AUCTION CLOSSES**
- 1:00 - 2:30 p.m. Committee Meetings
- ◆ Wildlife
 - ◆ Ag Finance & Tax
 - ◆ Water
- 2:45 - 4:15 Committee Meetings
- ◆ Brand
 - ◆ Federal Lands
 - ◆ Promotion & Enhancement
 [Formerly Stewardship Education]
- 4:30 - 6:00 Committee Meetings
- ◆ Marketing
 - ◆ Private & State Lands
 - ◆ Livestock Health & Production
- 6:30 p.m. Social
- 7:30 p.m. **WSGA Annual Banquet**

Thursday, December 15

- 6:00 a.m. Resolutions Committee
- 6:30 a.m. Registration Opens
- 7:30 a.m. **Legislative Breakfast**
- Hear from key members of the Wyoming Legislature.
 Issues include:
- Legislative Redistricting
 - Biennial Budget
 - Ag Legislation
- 9:00 a.m. **WSGA Board/Membership Meeting**
- 11:00 a.m. Convention Adjourns

Note: Members of Wyoming's Congressional Delegation have been invited and will be scheduled according to their availability.