

Managing Drought Risk on the Ranch 2012 Winter Grazing Conference

January 21st, 2012
Flint Hills Christian Church
Harvest House Meeting Room
1836 E US Highway 50
Emporia, Kansas



Agenda

- 8:30 *Registration*
9:00 Welcome – Dale Strickler, KGA
 Planning for Drought: Why and How?
 - Ted Alexander, rancher and Tonya Haigh, NDMC

Assessing Current Conditions

- 9:30 Climate Outlook – Mary Knapp, KSU
10:00 Climatic Impacts and Range Condition Effects
 on Forage Production – David Kraft, NRCS
10:30 *Break*

Identifying Drought Management Options

- 10:45 RMA Pasture, Rangeland, Forage Insurance
 – Amy Roeder, USDA RMA
11:30 Forage and Livestock Management Considerations
 – Dr. Jerry Volesky, UNL
12:00 *Lunch*
12:45 Implementing the Drought Plan: Monitoring Forage, Trigger
 Dates, Stocking Rates – Dwayne Rice, NRCS, Ted Alexander

Evaluating Management Options

- 1:30 Strategic and Scenario Planning/Financial Considerations
 – Dr. Barry Dunn, SDSU
2:30 *Break*
2:45 Weathering Tough Times – Dr. Charlie Griffin, KSU
3:45 Speaker Panel – facilitated by Dr. Jerry Volesky

4:30 Wrap up and Evaluations
4:45 Adjourn