

CRP and MANAGED GRAZING

Important for the environment
and food security

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- Delaware County- “Dad has 120 acres of CRP and I want to expand the cow herd. But I can’t ask him to give up that much income and I sure can’t compete with the government.”

MYTHS

- 1- Young people don't want to do this anymore.
- 2- Grazing is bad for wildlife habitat
- 3- Conservation compliance will prevent some of our most fragile land from being converted to grain production

PROPOSAL

ALLOW MANAGED GRAZING

ON CRP ACRES

GOALS

- MAINTAIN and IMPROVE SOIL CONSERVATION
- PROVIDE OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUNG PRODUCERS
- IMPROVE WILDLIFE HABITAT
- ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT IN RURAL COUNTIES- Nothing better than livestock
- LOWER GOVERNMENT EXPENSES

WHO'S INVOLVED

- INVITEES-

- FSA
 - ISU
 - Izaak Walton
 - Whitetails
 - Turkey Fed
 - Pheasants F'vr
 - NRCS
 - Sierra Club
 - DNR
 - INH
 - TNC
 - SIFALC
 - IFU
- F'MRS Natl.
 - PFI
 - Ia Environmental Council
 - ICCI
 - IDALS
 - Audubon Society
 - Leopold Center
 - Cty. Conservation Bds.
 - Farm Bureau
 - Whiterock Conservancy
 - Congressional Staff
 - USFWS

MORE INFORMATION

- ISU BEEF CENTER-

Summary of meetings

CALIFORNIA RANGELAND COALITION

Examples of tremendous success stories of grazing and nature-wildlife and plants

NOT A NEW CONCEPT

- Currently managed grazing is being done in Iowa on DNR land and County Conservation land
- Minnesota DNR has identified 57,000 acres as potentially suited for grazing

WHAT WE HOPE TO PROVE

Does the land need the cattle
as much
as the cattle need the land?

SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT

- "...It's about opportunities. It's about the dining room table, that kitchen table where Mom and Dad can tell their kids there are opportunities for them. That's not the conversation that's taking place today. You know it and I know it. If I have any vision, it's about that conversation with Mom and Dad talking to a son and daughter or grandson or granddaughter."

Secretary of Agriculture Tom Vilsack



■ THIS IS WHAT IT'S ALL ABOUT
BETH BAUDLER 2011 ISU CALS AG Woman of the Year
(and Dad Clifton)