

**Society for Range Management, Arizona Section Winter Meeting**  
**January 4-6, 2017**  
**Double Tree Hotel at the Tucson Airport, Tucson, Arizona**

“Adaptive Management Strategies on Rangelands in Arizona”

**Agenda**

Wednesday, January 4<sup>th</sup> (Courtyard/Terrace Rooms):

**1900 General Membership Meeting**

Thursday, January 5<sup>th</sup> (Courtyard/Terrace Rooms)

**0700 Continental Breakfast and Registration**

**0830 Welcome and Program Introduction** - James Heitholt

**0840 Forest Service Adaptive Management Policies and Implementation** - Judith Dyess, Deputy Director of Range Management, Forest Service Southwestern Region

**0910 Analyzing the impacts of Adaptive Management on USFS Grazing Permits** - Aaron Lien, University of Arizona.

**0940 Adaptive Management Strategies on the X Diamond Ranch** – Wink Crigler, X Diamond Ranch and Mark Willis, USFS Rangeland Management Specialist, Springerville Ranger District

**1000 Break**

**1030 Livestock Management on the Santa Rita Experimental Range** – Dr. George Ruyle, University of Arizona and Andrew McGibbon, Santa Rita Ranch

**1100 Pasture Rotations and Mineral Supplement on the Vera Earl Ranch** - Ian Tomlinson, Vera Earl Ranch

**1130 Livestock Management on the International Border** - Sean Lockwood, USFS Range Staff, Nogales Ranger District and Dan Bell, ZZ Cattle Company

**1200 Lunch**

**1300 Desert Tortoise Research and Interactions with Livestock** – Walt Myer

**1330 Managing Livestock with Threatened and Endangered Species on the Sierra Vista Ranger District** – John Kraft, USFS Wildlife Biologist, Sierra Vista Ranger District

**1400 Livestock Management with Wolves and the Jumping Mouse on the Alpine Ranger District** – Curtis Chee, Rangeland Management Specialist, Alpine Ranger District

**1430 Break**

**1500 Collaborative Drought Preparation Project**

**Overview of Project** – Dr. Mitch McClaran, University of Arizona

**Drought Scenario Planning Tool** – Kelsey Hawkes, University of Arizona

**Drought Monitoring Tools** – Mike Crimmins, University of Arizona

**Rancher Perspective on Project** – Mike Hemovich

**Forest Service Perspective** – Chandler Mundy, Tonto National Forest

**1630 Open Discussion of Project**

**1700 Membership Social and Auction** (Solarium Ballroom)

**1700 Native Range Committee Meeting and Social** (Meeting Room 114C)

**1830 Banquet Dinner and Awards Presentation** (Solarium Ballroom)

Friday, January 6<sup>th</sup> (Courtyard/Terrace Rooms)

**0700 Registration**

**0800-1200 Workshop: Hands-On Use of New Drought Tools for Increasing Preparation for Drought**