

*Join The Quivira Coalition for a  
Rangeland Health and Planned Grazing Workshop  
with rangeland consultant and educator **Kirk Gadzia!***



Friday & Saturday April 24-25, 2009  
Taos County Sheriff's Posse Building  
at the Fair Grounds in Taos, NM

*Free!*

The question of grazing land—where, when, and how—is one of the most important and widely misunderstood topics in land management. Grazing, like fire or any other land management tool, can have positive or negative effects, **depending on how it is used**. The goal of this workshop will be to discuss how to plan and manage grazing using a variety of techniques including herding and existing cultural practices to improve land health.

**Discussion topics will include:**

- Ecological principles and plant physiology
- Defining severely grazed, over grazed, or over-rested plants
- The physical impacts of grazing on plants and soils
- Planned grazing to minimize overgrazing and maximize management efficiency like use of labor and other resources
- Pasture forage quality and nutritional requirements
- Using Animal Days per Acre (ADAs) to calculate available forage
- Pasture size and quality in relation to planned grazing & recovery periods
- Planning grazing strategies for restoration and riparian habitats
- Planning placement of fencing, water, and other infrastructure
- Drought management principles
- Placement of fencing, water, salt blocks and other infrastructure



Both Friday and Saturday, we will be in the field for the afternoon sessions.

Along with other workshop materials, participants will receive the booklet

***Rangeland Health and Planned Grazing Field Guide.***

***Come learn how you can apply these principles while herding this season!***

**This workshop is funded by The NRCS - Conservation Innovation Grant Program  
with support from The Taos Soil and Water Conservation District.**

**Facilities provided by The Taos County Sheriff's Posse.**

**Grassfed beef lunch provided both days by Cerros de Taos Grazing Association.**

This workshop is FREE! You may register online at [www.quiviracoalition.org](http://www.quiviracoalition.org) under Workshops  
or by contacting Catherine at 505-820-2544 ext. 2# or by e-mail to: [cbaca@quiviracoalition.org](mailto:cbaca@quiviracoalition.org).

**\* All registrants will receive information with workshop details and location directions prior to April 24th.**