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To: Vocational Agriculture Teachers, County Extension Educators, NRCS and NRD Staff

From: Kinsey Freeman, Extension Educator

The 2017 State Range Judging Contest will be held at the Keith County Fairgrounds in Ogallala, NE. The contest is set to take place Wednesday, September 27, 2017. Registration will be from 8:00 to 8:45 at the Exhibit Hall building located on the Keith County Fairgrounds.

Keith-Arthur Extension, USDA Natural Resource Conservation Service, Twin Platte NRD, the Nebraska State Range Judging Committee, and the Nebraska Section of the Society for Range Management are sponsors for the contest.

The registration fee is \$5.00 per contest participant and needs to be paid in full by the morning of the contest. **Pre-registration is required by September 21, 2017.** Mail registrations to: Keith-Arthur Extension
511 North Spruce, RM 203
Ogallala, NE 69153-0450

Please remember to dress appropriately for range conditions, especially in regards to footwear. Contestants must be able to make their way through the contest on their own, no vehicles will be provided to transport contestants. Lunch will be on your own.

A practice site will be provided the Tuesday prior to the contest, September 26, 2017. Keys will be placed at the gate of the practice site, and access will be allowed **starting at 2pm**. The Practice site is located on the north side of highway 30. Travel east out of Ogallala 3.3 miles from the East stop light on Highway 30.

Reference materials may be accessed at: <http://extensionpubs.unl.edu/>

- EC150 Range Judging Handbook and Contest Guide for Nebraska
- EC89-118 Nebraska Range and Pasture Forbs and Shrubs
- EC86-113 A Guide for Planning and Analyzing a Year-Round Forage Program
- EC91-123 Drought Management on Range and Pastureland
- EC92-124E Nebraska Handbook of Range Management
- EC05-170 Common Grasses of Nebraska

If you have any questions concerning this contest, feel free to contact Kinsey Freeman at kinsey.freeman@unl.edu or by phone 308-284-6051.

Sincerely,

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