

TO: Agricultural Education Instructors

FROM: Ben Beckman, Area 5 Contest Coordinator

DATE: August 15, 2025

SUBJECT: 2025 Area 5 Range Judging Contest

DATE: Thursday, September 18, 2025
LOCATION: Center, NE - Knox County
CHECK-IN: 8:30 – 9:00 a.m. - The Barn at God's Country
53174 NE-84, Center, NE 68724

The Knox County Farm Bureau, USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS), Nebraska Extension, and the Nebraska Section of the Society for Range Management are contest sponsors.

Pre-Registration is required by September 12th. Please go to https://go.unl.edu/area5_range_registration or scan the QR code above. All registration this year will be through the online platform.



This link is a Qualtrics survey in which you can enter all contestant names. **Junior Division** is grade 9 - 10. **Senior Division** is grade 11 - 12, and **Adult Division** for instructors, parents, bus drivers, and anyone else wanting to participate. Please enter all the contestants in the text box below the appropriate division.

The registration fee is \$3.00 per contestant (due and payable at check-in). Please make checks payable to Nebraska Society for Range Management. Registration fees are non-refundable.

Contest guidance and study resources can be found in EC150, Revised February 2025, is available here: [Range Judging Handbook](#).

There will be no awards following the contest. Upon completion of the contest, schools will be dismissed for the day and lunch is on your own. Within a day or two, official contest results will be emailed to participating teachers and be posted on www.nesrm.org. Select Nebraska Range Judging, Results.

There will be a question following registration that will ask for volunteers to help during the contest as a group leader. If you are willing to help yourself or bring along someone to lead a group please let us know.



If you know of any groups (FFA Alumni would be a great go to) or individuals that would like to help out, would love to have them. Please share our link here: <https://go.unl.edu/25rangevol> or this QR code:

We look forward to seeing you and your students on September 18th! If you have questions, or changes prior to the contest date, contact Ben Beckman (bbeckman3@unl.edu).

