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September 13, 2018

TO: All Vocational Agriculture Instructors

FROM: Andrew Keep, NRCS District Conservationist– Imperial Field Office

The **2018 Nebraska State Range Judging** Contest will be held near Imperial on **Wednesday, September 26th, 2018**. Nebraska's NRDs, USDA-NRCS, UNL Extension, and the NE Section of the Society for Range Management are sponsors for the contest. A practice site will be available on Tuesday, September 25th.

There will be 3 divisions – **JUNIOR DIVISION** (Sophomore class standing and under); **SENIOR DIVISION** (Junior & Senior class standing); **ADULT** (which will combine professional and adult into one group).

PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED. E-MAIL registrations to Debbie Kuenning at debbie.kuenning@unl.edu by September 21. You can also mail them to the **Chase County Extension Office PO BOX 640 Imperial, NE 69033**. **PLEASE** have the forms **TYPED** to cut down on confusion. If you need to make a change prior to the contest date, please EMAIL them to the above email address **AS-SOON-AS-POSSIBLE** but please try to keep these changes to a minimum. A large number of participants is expected, so making changes the morning of the contest is **discouraged**.

There will be a \$3.00 registration fee per contestant that will be used to help defray the cost of the contest. This fee is **due by check-in** the morning of the contest but can be turned in early with registration. Checks should be made payable to the “**Upper Republican NRD**.”

The practice site will be available to all schools starting at noon M.T. on September 25th until dusk. Directions to the practice site can either be emailed to the instructors after registration or picked up at the NRCS Office between noon and 5:00 p.m. Answer keys for the practice site will be available on location.

Check-in for the contest will be from 9:00 to 9:30 a.m. on September 26th at the Chase County Fairgrounds. Lunch after the contest will be on your own. In an effort to make sure that you get students back to school in time for practice and other activities, we will not be having an awards ceremony.

If you have any questions concerning this contest, feel free to contact Andrew Keep at the Imperial NRCS office at (308)-882-4263 extension 3.

PRE-REGISTRATION FORM STATE RANGE JUDGING CONTEST

(No limit on the number of entries)
Registration Fee: \$3.00/contestant

NAME OF CHAPTER, CLUB, OR INDIVIDUAL _____

Contest Division	Number of Individuals	Number of Teams
Junior		
Senior		
Adults		
Total # of Participants		

TOTAL # OF PARTICIPANTS _____ x \$3.00 = \$ _____ Total Due
(Note that the amount charged per contestant goes back to the Range Judging Committee after this contest to help cover ribbon, score card and National/Regional Contest travel scholarship expenses.)

PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: UPPER REPUBLICAN NRD

Submitted by: Name _____ Telephone _____

Address _____

**Please return to: Debbie Kuenning, Chase County Extension
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Please return by: Friday, September 21, 2018

