



To: Vocational Agriculture Instructors  
From: Kimberly Cook, Nebraska Extension Educator - Dundy, Hayes & Hitchcock Counties  
Subject: 2025 Area 3 Range Judging Contest

**DATE: Wednesday, September 10, 2025**

**LOCATION: Hayes Center, NE**

**CHECK-IN: 8:30-9:30 a.m. CT at the Hayes County Fairgrounds, Exhibit Hall  
209 Morton, Hayes Center, NE (along Hwy 25 on North end of Hayes Center)**

- Pre-register for the contest by **Thursday, September 4, 2025**. Please go to [https://go.unl.edu/area3\\_range\\_registration](https://go.unl.edu/area3_range_registration) or use the QRC on the right side of the letter. We are only accepting online registrations.



- Registration fees are \$3.00 per contestant, due at check-in time or mail-in. Please make checks payable to Nebraska Society for Range Management. If you would like to receive a receipt prior to the contest, please contact Kimberly Cook at [kcook2@unl.edu](mailto:kcook2@unl.edu).
- **Instructors only need to designate junior division or senior division for each participant.** As a reminder, a junior division contestant is grade 10 or below (including junior high students). A senior division is grade 12 or below. A freshman could compete on a senior division team if the instructor so chooses, but a junior or senior can't compete on a junior team. We also have one adult division, for instructors, parents, bus drivers, and anyone else wanting to participate in the contest.
- Lunch will be on your own.
- Awards for the Area contest will be given at the State Range Judging Contest. Therefore, you will be dismissed from the field once the contest review is complete.
- Reference Materials: EC150 - Range Judging Handbook and Contest Guide for Nebraska  
<http://www.ianrpubs.unl.edu/sendIt/ec150.pdf>

If you have questions concerning the contest, you may contact me at the Hayes Extension Office at 308-286-3312 or by email at [kcook2@unl.edu](mailto:kcook2@unl.edu).

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