Grazing Agreements on State Lands

Introduction to panel

- Why form a panel?
- Key purposes and desired outcomes

Today's Panel Members

- Larry Ford, CRM, LD Ford Rangeland Conservation Science

- Katie Delbar, USDA, rancher

- Dr. Marc Horney, CRM, professor Cal Poly SLO

- Dr. Kristina Wolf, CRM, State BOF

- John Rocha and Jennifer Clausse, Sacramento County Department of General Services (DGS)

- Clayton Koopman, CRM, rancher, SFPUC Rangeland Manager

- Laura Cockrell, California Department of Fish & Wildlife

Core Question #1

- How can these discussions be translated into guidance for grazing management planning and effective grazing programs for use on state lands, and in particular, California Demonstration State Forests?

Core Question #2

- Why do some state agencies and NGOs exclude versus utilize livestock grazing?

- What are the policy histories for those agencies choosing to continue, exclude, or re-start grazing?

- What are the constraints that may exclude grazing?
  - Social
  - Economic
  - Environmental

Core Question #3

- What are the main components of a grazing license, and what are some of the requirements of a grazing license?
  - in terms of limitations or expectations for compliance on the part of the lessee and lessor
    - e.g., monitoring, liability, cost, responsibilities
    - e.g., outlook on length of leases being negotiable beyond 5 years?

Core Question #4

- **What topics should be covered in a grazing management plan (GMP) for public lands?**
  - **What performance standards should be included?**
  - **Responsibilities for monitoring (e.g., agency, grazing lessee)?**
  - **Reasonable limits to labor costs and level of effort for an effective monitoring program?**
    - priority variables to measure
    - level of "research" rigor
    - assuring the monitoring results in a report for adjustment of management decisions
  - **What published science-based resources are available to guide development of a monitoring program?**

Core Question #5

➡ **How is a fair market value determined?**

What Other Question(s) Should We Be Asking?