

## 68th SRM International Annual Meeting & Trade Show

Managing Diversity
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Sacramento, California

## Society for Range Management 2015 International Annual Meeting Call for Symposia, Forums and Workshops

**SUBMIT YOUR PROPOSALS!** 

Symposia, Forums and Workshop proposals due Friday, May 30th!

Submit your proposal at http://rangelands.org/events/

The theme of this year's conference, "Managing Diversity" reflects the diversity of California's rangeland ecosystems as well as the diversity of people and organizations that appreciate and use the state's vast rangelands. Partnering with conservation-minded people and organizations benefits the grasslands, shrublands, woodlands, wetlands, and deserts that cover over 40% of California, and 53% of the western United States. The annual meeting offers the opportunity to share with an international audience through symposia, forums, and workshops, information and skills that help our disciplines, professions, education programs, and public engagement grow. Please join us to discuss and learn about "Managing Diversity."

## **About the Society of Rangeland Management**

The **Society for Range Management** is the professional scientific society and conservation organization whose members are concerned with studying, conserving, managing and sustaining the varied resources of the rangelands which comprise nearly half the land in the world. Established in 1948, SRM has over 4,000 members in 48 countries, including many developing nations.

SRM's members are land managers, scientists, educators, students, producers and conservationists-a diverse membership guided by a professional code of ethics and unified by a strong land ethic.

The Mission of the Society for Range Management to promote the professional development and continuing education of members and the public and the stewardship of rangeland resources.

## **Conference Format**

Sessions will vary in structure in order to provide a robust conference experience for presenters and participants. Presenters are asked to identify their preferred format in their proposal, however, proposal reviewers may suggest alternative formats and/or combinations of topics to form symposia.

**Symposium** Sessions are comprised of a number of presentations, all related to a unifying topic Each presenter will be provided with approximately 20 minutes to speak. After all have presented their work, there will be a shared time at the end for questions and discussion. It is not assumed that those presenting in a symposium format will collaborate before the session, only that they share the time. The idea is that by providing information and viewpoints on different aspects of a topic in one session, rich discussion among presenters and the audience will ensue.

**Forum Sessions** are sessions that present research, theory, concepts, and practices. Concurrent sessions are 45 minutes long and consist of either one presentation for the full 45 minutes, or in some cases, two presentations back-to-back (about 20 minutes each).

**Workshop Sessions** are designed to provide an opportunity for in-depth discussion of current and emerging topics of interest to the rangeland community. We encourage workshop proposals that bring together people working on new and developing research topics that favor highly interactive discussions. Those proposing a workshop should provide information showing that the workshop is of interest to the rangeland community, and explain why a workshop on this topic is beneficial.

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