

CO SECTION SRM RANCH FIELD DAY BADER RANCH

NOV. 3RD - 9:30-2:30PM



FREE but RSVP by October 31st is required for lunch count. Lunch will be provided.

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Ranch is located approximately 40 miles south of La Junta or 15 miles north of Kim.
Gather at the ranch gate between MM 17-16 on Highway 109.

THEME: RANGELAND RECOVERY FOLLOWING WILDFIRE AND DROUGHT USING THE TOOLS OF MANAGED GRAZING & RECOVERY OPPORTUNITY.



Randy and Kelly Bader have managed the ranch since 1991, having moved from their ranch near Mancos. The 18,000-acre Bader Ranch is a cow-calf operation with spring and fall calving enterprises. Their business model includes a big game fee-hunting component. Rangeland health is maintained using adaptive planned grazing that considers the landscape as a whole. The Bader's manage their grazing by working with the natural ecosystem as much as possible, not against it.

In June of 2011 a wildfire burned sixtyone percent of the ranch. This field day will emphasize how the tools of grazing, proper stocking, and plant recovery have been used to restore range health in the face of persistent below-average rainfall.

Plan to join us to experience well managed rangeland and the picturesque sandstone canyonlands of southeastern Colorado.

Randy's Uncle Lawrence Huntington was the first recipient of the CO Section SRM's *Excellence in Range Management Award* in 1984 on the ranch located near Hesperus, CO.

For more information or questions call 719-384-8624 (Bader home phone) or Ben