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Contact Nanette Herron, Public Works Department 916.625.5511 for more information about the Prescribed Grazing Workshop.

City of Rocklin Invites Residents to Learn About Managed Grazing

The City of Rocklin is inviting residents, homeowner associations and property managers to a free workshop to learn about the environmental benefits of grazing and how this method of vegetation management can reduce fire hazard on their property.

To promote an environmentally friendly alternative to traditional weed abatement methods used on large undeveloped lots and privately owned open space areas, the City of Rocklin is collaborating with the Placer and Nevada County Resource Conservation Districts to bring this workshop to Rocklin.

Guest speakers include Roger Ingram, University of California Cooperative Extension County Director and Livestock and Natural Resources Advisor, and Tony Fairchild, owner of Goat Brushers, a natural agricultural land clearing contractor.

Mr. Ingram is co-author of *Pasture Primer*, a controlled grazing video course. His University extension program focuses on ranch economics, low stress livestock handling, water quality, and controlled grazing. He also instructs the California Grazing Academy, an intensive, hands-on grazing school he established in 2003.

Mr. Fairchild is a regular guest speaker in agricultural programs throughout the region, whose experience includes seven years in veterinary practice and five years in feed management and natural and organic pet care product marketing.

Presentations will also be made by Chief Bill Mikesell of the Rocklin Fire Department and Lesa Osterholm, District Manager for the Nevada County Resource Conservation District.

**WHERE/WHEN: Rocklin Police Station
4080 Rocklin Road
Thursday, January 15, 2009
7:00 p.m.**