Central Coast Rangeland Coalition

SPRING MEETING - April 15, 8:30 - 3:30
(Circle P Ranch, 300 Thompson Road, Watsonville)

Managing Relationships of Earth’s Communities with Soil, Sun and Water

8:30  Registration and refreshments

Grounding - Introductions, Expectations - Joe Morris

Rangelands: Managing Livestock for Water Retention, Quality, Clean streams and Ponds, Forage and Carbon
John Wick, Wick Ranch, participant Marin Carbon Project
Brock Dolman, The Water Institute, Occidental Arts & Ecology Center

Watershed Management: Self-Assessment Monitoring
George Work, Work Ranch; Royce Larsen, UCC Extension

10:20  Break

Conservation: Opportunities for Implementing Conservation Practices on Rangelands within the Upper Pajaro River Watershed
Stacey Sullivan, Policy Director
Tim Vendlinski, Restoration on Private Lands Program Director
Both with Sustainable Conservation

So What is Grazing? What is Monitoring all about, and Holistic Management?
How many ways can these tools be used to make what we want our rangelands to be?
Rob Rutherford (Cal Poly) will lead a discussion of terms that we all use: Do we have the same understanding of what they mean? Does it make a difference?

12:15  Lunch: Morris Grassfed hamburgers
Courtesy Circle P Ranch, TO Cattle Co

CCRC Monitoring, Status Report
Dr. Lawrence Ford, PhD

Circle P Ranch Tour: TO Cattle Company’s ranch management for watershed, forage and carbon.
Joe Morris, TO Cattle Company, lessee

3:30  Wrap up and farewells

Directions - From Hwy. 101 take Highway 129 west toward Watsonville. After about ten miles, in the middle of the Pajaro Valley Hwy. 129 turns and Carlton Rd. takes off on a tangent. Take Carlton Rd. for about .25 mile to Thompson Road. Turn right (there is a warehouse on the right), and follow Thompson Rd. for about a mile and a half to #300, a dirt road to the right. Follow the road toward the hills, through a berry field along the creek to the Ranch headquarters.