

**2025 Rangelands Partnership  
Annual Meeting Agenda  
May 12-15, 2025  
Knowledge Sharing for a Sustainable Future**



Meeting Hotel: [Y.O. Ranch Hotel & Conference Center](#)  
2033 Sidney Baker St, Kerrville, TX 78028

**Monday, May 12**

**5:00 pm**      **Welcome mixer (in-person only)**  
[Y.O. Ranch Hotel & Conference Center, Live Oak Conference Room](#)

**Tuesday, May 13**

Times listed are Central Time | Pacific 7am | Mountain 8am  
[Y.O. Ranch Hotel & Conference Center, Cypress Conference Room](#)

**8:00 am**      **Breakfast (provided on-site)**  
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**9:00 am**      **Welcome [Jeanne Pfander, University of Arizona, RP Chair]**

- Highlights of the RP [Sheila Merrigan, University of Arizona]

**9:20 am**      **Welcome from WERA [Barbara Petty, Dean & Director of Extension, University of Idaho]**

**9:30 am**      **Keynote [TBD]**

**10:15 am**      **Icebreaker [Jeanne]**

**10:30 am**      **Break**

**11:00 am**      **Lightning report – Part 1 [Jeanne]**

- Alaska – Jodee Kuden
- Arizona – Flavie Audoin, Ashley Hall & Jeanne Pfander
- California – Susan Marshall, Leslie Roche & Grace Woodmansee
- Colorado – Retta Bruegger & Emily Lockard
- Hawaii – Mark Thorne
- Idaho – Jeremy Kenyon, Jason Karl & Eric Winford
- Kansas – Livia Olsen

- 12:30pm**      **Lunch (provided on-site)**  
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- 1:30 pm**      **Lightning report – Part 2 [Jeanne]**
- Montana – Craig Carr
  - Nebraska – Leslie Delserone, Mitch Stephenson & Dirac Twidwell
  - Nevada – Brad Schultz
  - New Mexico – Casey Spackman
  - North Dakota – Nicole Juve & Miranda Meehan
  - Oklahoma – Laura Goodman
  - Oregon – Sergio Arispe & Dustin Johnson
  - South Dakota – Krista Ehlert & Nancy Marshall
- 3:00 pm**      **Break**
- 3:30 pm**      **Lightning report – Part 3 [Jeanne]**
- Texas – Bonnie Gardener, David Hubbard & Doug Tolleson
  - Utah – Eric Thacker
  - Washington –David Luftig & Tip Hudson
  - Wyoming – David Kruger, Kristie Maczko & Derek Scasta
- 4:15 pm**      **WERA objectives [Sarah Noelle, University of Arizona]**
- 5:00 pm**      **Adjourn [Jeanne]**
- 6:30 pm**      **Dinner banquet (in-person only)**  
Speaker: Roel Lopez, Texas A&M University, Department of Rangeland,  
Wildlife and Fisheries Management  
[Y.O. Ranch Hotel & Conference Center, Live Oak Conference Room](#)

## Wednesday, May 14

Times listed are Central Time | Pacific 7am | Mountain 8am

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- 8:00 am**      **Breakfast (provided on-site)**  
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- 9:00 am**      **Welcome back and RP business meeting [Jeanne, Sergio & Jodee]**
- Review of 2025 – Jeanne
  - Administrative update on WERA – Barbara
  - Secretary report & Rangelands Gateway search – Jodee
  - Treasurer report – Jeremy
  - Other business
  - Transition to 2024/2025 Executive Committee
  - RP Annual Meeting 2026
- 10:30 am**      **Break**
- 11:00 am**      **Latest in AI [Livia]**
- 11:45 am**      **Prescribed fire and the wildland urban interface [TBD]**
- 12:30 pm**      **Lunch (provided on-site)**  
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- 1:30 pm**      **IYRP 2026 and the role of the RP [Flavie; Lauren Svejcar, USDA]**
- Recap of NA IYRP support group efforts and visions for RP
  - Breakout Groups
  - Group discussion and next steps
- 3:00 pm**      **Break**
- 3:30 pm**      **Creating infographic-style social media posts [Laura]**
- 4:15 pm**      **RP plans for 2025-2026, your one thing, & meeting evaluation [Sergio]**
- 5:00 pm**      **Adjourn**

Dinner on Your Own – See list of local restaurants

## **Thursday, May 15**

8am-5pm | [Optional Field Tour](#) | [Transportation provided](#) | [Lunch provided](#)

The Kerr Wildlife Management Area (WMA), operated by Texas Parks and Wildlife, spans 6,493 acres of Edwards Plateau habitat near the North Fork of the Guadalupe River. The Kerr WMA serves as a site for wildlife research, management, and public education. The WMA's mission includes developing wildlife habitats, conducting research, and demonstrating habitat management practices to benefit resource managers and landowners. The Kerr WMA promotes sustainable use of wildlife through controlled hunting and habitat conservation initiatives.