Agenda for 7th Annual Meeting, March 16-18, 2008
Tucson, Arizona

Sunday, March 16th InnSuites, Buckley Room

6:00 pm Opening Reception

Monday, March 17th InnSuites, Gold Room

8:00 am Welcome, Overview, and Introductions, Carla Casler, Vice Chair

8:30 am Chair of Western Rangelands Partnership Address, Karen Launchbaugh

8:50 am Rangelands West Website Status, Holly Hartmann

Collaborations & Opportunities

9:10 am Content Development Capabilities with Forestandrange.org: Kelley Zophy, Coordinator, National Learning Center for Private Forest and Range Landowners

9:40 am Developing Synergies with ARS with a Focus on Monitoring and Assessment: Jeff Herrick, Research Scientist, USDA-ARS Jornada Experimental Range

10:10 am Break with refreshments

10:30 am State Reports: Arizona – Jeanne Pfander; Nebraska – Dana Boden; Idaho – Karen Launchbaugh

11:10 am Hot Topic Content Development, Julie Conley

11:30 am AgNIC report Mike Haddock

noon Lunch -- Speaker - Gauri Salokhe - Building International Information Systems Using Common Standards -- The Global Forest Information Service (GFIS) Example 1:00 to 1:30 pm.

1:30 pm Free Web Tools: Google Analytics for statistics, Google Groups, Anne Thwaits

2:00 pm State Sites: Challenges & Opportunities—what can you accomplish with your site?

3:00 pm Break with Refreshments

3:15 pm Topic Groups and Prioritizing Breakout Session -- Finding ways to serve your clients.
4:15 pm  Adjourn

4:30 pm  Vans leave InnSuites for reception with Western Agricultural Experiment Station Directors and Cooperative Extension Directors

5:00 pm  Reception for AES and CES Directors Meeting, Embassy Suites - Paloma

5:30 pm  Western Rangelands Partnership presentation to AES & CES meeting – Karen Launchbaugh, Chair, Western Rangelands Partnership

5:45 pm  Buffet dinner and networking

7:30 pm  vans depart Embassy Suites, return to InnSuites

**Tuesday, March 18th  U of A Campus, Student Union, Tucson Room**

7:30 am  Vans leave for campus

8:00 am  How do we change, evolve, adapt to the New West and to new technologies?  Holly Hartmann

Break and refreshments included

**UA Libraries Staff Lounge, Main Library, 5th Floor**


**UA Libraries, Main Library, A313-A314**

1:00 pm  Topic Groups meet

2:00 pm  Groups Report

2:30 pm  Break

2:45 pm  Business Meeting :

   Proposed Charter & Bylaws
   Review Committees and charges
   Breakout sessions for committees to define action Items

4:45 pm  Raffle

5:00 pm  Vans return to InnSuites

Dutch Treat at local restaurant (El Charro?)