

Arizona Rangelands Partnership Team Report

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Arizona RREA 2017 Report

Throughout 2017, the UACE Rangelands Partnership team has continued to provide the technical foundation for the Partnership's communications outlets and to participate in and help coordinate meetings, workshops, as well as special projects funded through competitive grants. All activities have focused on providing information and educational resources to a variety of stakeholders including public and private land managers, teachers, students, policy makers, and the general public. Specifically, the Partnership's three-tiered websites (GlobalRangelands.org, RangelandsWest.org, and state rangelands sites) provide open access to research and education resources, practical tools, and multimedia programming on all aspects of sustainable rangeland management. The GlobalRangelands database includes collections of resources emanating from rangelands-related organizations around the world, and RangelandsWest offers customized sections on trending topics specific to the Western U.S., see <https://globalrangelands.org/rangelandswest/highlighted-topics>, for example. State rangelands websites maintained by each of the Partnership members are also linked to the overall system with easy entry through a clickable map, see <https://globalrangelands.org/state/arizona>. Ten state sites are hosted by the AZ tech team.

During 2017, website updates and refinements were made, including eliminating duplicate records in the underlying database (including collections from a variety of collaborators), as well as adding records for new resources. This includes new editions of Society for Range Management (SRM) journals *Rangelands* and *Rangeland Ecology and Management* (REM), abstracts for papers and posters presented at SRM conferences, as well as new materials, particularly multimedia, added to the general Global Rangelands and Rangelands West collections. Total numbers of resources in the database are currently 23,192 (an addition of 437 records).

Topics pages were updated and new topics added including “Large Landscape Conservation” - <https://globalrangelands.org/topics/large-landscape-conservation> ; “Brush Management” - <https://globalrangelands.org/brush-management-0> ; and “Sage Grouse” - <https://globalrangelands.org/topics/uses-range-and-pasture-lands/sage-grouse>. The “brush management” topic page is based on a Western SARE Professional Development Program-funded series of workshops organized by the AZ Rangelands Partnership team in collaboration with the Altar Valley Conservation Alliance (AVCA), and includes a series of new videos as well as fact sheets and other resources. In addition, the AZ RP team, on behalf of the Partnership, was awarded a grant from USDA-NIFA-RREA to update the five-year RREA Strategic Plan. One outcome of this project is a website providing access to project survey data as well as previous and current RREA resources - <https://globalrangelands.org/rreasp/>.

During this reporting period, the Rangelands Partnership also continued to expand its social media presence, and to tie outlets to each other as well as the RP websites. Social media outlets include: Rangelands Partnership Facebook with 949 page likes as of 12/2017 (up from 816 at the end of 2016); the Global Rangelands YouTube channel featuring 237 videos in 22 playlists (up from 200 videos and 19 playlists) with more than 346,800 views in 2017; and the Rangelands Partnership Twitter page which has 636 followers (up from 299). The RP Pinterest page is still a lesser priority but growing with 6 boards and 411 pins (up from 5 boards and 37 pins), while a small Instagram account currently numbers 141 (up from 35). The Global Rangelands website usage has increased steadily from 35,965 users in 2015 to 41,480 in 2016 to 58,292 users in 2017; page views increased from 91,407 to 211,492 to 282,995 at the end of 2017 with 71,752 sessions documented (up from 51,364 sessions). Just over thirty-six% of users are from the U.S. (all 50 states and the District of Columbia), with the other 63.6% users from 204 different countries (up from 187 countries).

The focus for 2018 is to complete the RREA Strategic Plan project as well as the WSARE PDP series of Brush Management workshops and accompanying websites, videos, and user tools. In addition, new annual updates of the SRM journals will be added to the database given the shortened embargo periods, and customized topics pages will be further developed. Two RP-related proposals for special projects have been submitted with review results expected by mid-year.

Discovering Our Nation’s Rangelands Final Project Report (2017)

Summary of Products:

- **Website intro videos:** 13 videos produced, videos are hosted and publicly available on the Global Rangelands YouTube Channel and embedded in appropriate sections of the Global Rangelands website, 1,043 views total
- **Local Knowledge Videos:** 40 videos produced, 11 producers/land managers interviewed, videos are hosted and publicly available on the Global Rangelands YouTube Channel, shared via Rangelands Partnership social media and website, 614 total views
- **Local Knowledge Podcasts:** 8 episodes produced with 7 producers/land managers, podcasts are hosted and publicly accessible via Rangelands Partnership channel on SoundCloud, shared via Rangelands Partnership social media, and embedded in Wyoming Rangelands website, 66 plays
- **Current Topics Videos:** 6 videos produced (Mexican grey wolves reintroduced, generational succession of American’s ranches, jaguars are returning to southern Arizona, sage grouse, wild horses, energy development), videos are hosted and publicly available on the Global Rangelands YouTube Channel, shared via Rangelands Partnership social media & website, 24,782 total views

- Training Videos: 10 videos; hosted on the Global Rangelands YouTube Channel and embedded in iPad Video Manual
- iPad Video Production Manual and 3 one-page production guide checklists covering the stages of video production being made available through Rangelands Partnership Member Site and on Wyoming Rangelands website.

Out on the Land Television Episodes

Two “Out on the Land” segments were filmed in Wyoming and episodes were aired on the RFTV television station. <http://uwyoextension.org/uwrange/discovering-wyoming-rangelands/out-on-the-land/>

UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA VIDEOS

View Point Videos

- Mexican Grey Wolves Reintroduced – *6,466 views*
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OeqzdZt10XA&index=13&list=PLCA1E53CF4B1CE192>
- Generational Succession of American’s Ranches – *36 views*
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tOpCofjHCUw&list=PL9bs98fSwEjTqCFuB86bboP1pMVOb5pyy&index=7>
- Jaguars Are Returning To Southern Arizona – *19,178 views*
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PzM1-oUj8RA&index=11&list=PLCA1E53CF4B1CE192>

Video Clip Introductions

- Rangelands in the World – *256 views*
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1ST5hHzvPqA&index=1&list=PL9bs98fSwEjQP960-jV2VIUnXYdKpbwv6>
- Understanding Rangeland Ecology – *116 views*
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sri_VgdLU2l&index=1&list=PL9bs98fSwEjRT7oy-tiLDbcTp4nJP919m
- Maintaining and Improving Rangelands – *94 views*
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1nms2nE4p1l&list=PLD2836CA20494C579&index=1>
- Human and Economic Dimensions – *31 views*
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=r4SVIQLbXg&list=PL121470B70C027090&index=1>
- Large Landscape Conservation – *33 views*
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ISzLElfjuDY&index=1&list=PL9bs98fSwEjQCckCZ5snlHMCfxktjOoZn>
- Rangelands on Indigenous Lands – *82 views*
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Yow_TLceqQ4&list=PL9bs98fSwEjTqCFuB86bboP1pMVOb5pyy&index=14
- Uses of Range and Pasture – *118 views*
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HTLg4KZVf_w&list=PL36388A417593DD32&index=1

Local Knowledge Videos

Gilbert Harrison, Navajo sheep rancher – *45 views*

- Working the Land: Sheep Ranching Near the Four Corners Area -
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FRkIFmx_hyk&index=13&list=PL9bs98fSwEjTqCFuB86bboP1pMVOb5pyy

- Getting Back to Nature: Sheep Ranching Near the Four Corners Area – 42 views
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EJEpyZUwHYU&index=14&list=PL9bs98fSwEjTqCFuB86bboP1pMVOb5pyy>

Richard Collins, Arizona Rancher

- Being Flexible: A Lifetime of Ranching in the Southwest - 14 views
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZFVwo8uDvLc&list=PL9bs98fSwEjTqCFuB86bboP1pMVOb5pyy&index=31&t=25s>
- A sustainable ecosystem: A Lifetime of Ranching in the Southwest – 19 views
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=U6gmPzmQtNQ&index=7&list=PL9bs98fSwEjTqCFuB86bboP1pMVOb5pyy>

Larry Allen, USFS

- Getting Out There: Looking Back at the Forest Service – 18 views
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=n4WfQ4fYvzQ&list=PL9bs98fSwEjTqCFuB86bboP1pMVOb5pyy&index=5>
- Looking Forward: The Next Generation of the Forest Service – 21 views
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Mt6V-OeWSpA&index=4&list=PL9bs98fSwEjTqCFuB86bboP1pMVOb5pyy>

Jim Riggs, Arizona Rancher

- Ranching in the Southwest: Cattle Ranching in Southern Arizona – 11 views
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2jslg_ODBuc&list=PL9bs98fSwEjTqCFuB86bboP1pMVOb5pyy&index=11
- A Lifetime of Ranching: Cattle Ranching in Southern Arizona – 19 views
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WDt4Ky_tajw&list=PL9bs98fSwEjTqCFuB86bboP1pMVOb5pyy&index=9
- Generational Transfer: Cattle Ranching in Southern Arizona – 16 views
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jAzj6rRNK70&list=PL9bs98fSwEjTqCFuB86bboP1pMVOb5pyy&index=10>
- Cooperative Extension: Cattle Ranching in Southern Arizona – 12 views
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KpcO2UXt7dE&list=PL9bs98fSwEjTqCFuB86bboP1pMVOb5pyy&index=12>

WYOMING VIDEOS

View Point Videos

- Wild Horses: Wyoming Perspectives – 64 views
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OJPnDKZdC2Y&list=PLCA1E53CF4B1CE192>
- Sage-Grouse: Wyoming Perspectives – 17 views
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PasZ-ZWx86Q&index=2&list=PLCA1E53CF4B1CE192>
- Energy Development in Wyoming – 21 views
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SbLpdlpWp14&list=PL36388A417593DD32&index=10>

Video Clip Introductions -

https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLBNu1peKp1UgLkkg1Oz6KKHky6Z0NRv_j

- Climate and Drought – 45 views
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oeQDLAuRLwo&index=1&list=PL9bs98fSwEjS5xBe4oNFu11HZs8FteN6Z>

- Vegetation Restoration – 34 views
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qAyUFqFgGco&index=3&list=PL9bs98fSwEjTGxqfZCPtpPKGCMkt8e-->
- Rangelands for Teachers & Students – 22 views
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=78UmQorSml8&list=PLBNu1peKp1UgLkgw1Oz6KKHky6Z0NRv_j&index=3Rangeland+Plants+&+Animals=
- Rangeland Plants & Animals – 57 views
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nO0dWAeBn6M&index=3&list=PL9bs98fSwEjRv9fqBdfvNgM9jpl5zNlky>
- Inventory & Monitoring – 99 views
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=th-S_SX9aa8&index=1&list=PL7CD3CD7A9350A858
- Grazing Management – 56 views
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pcwmHtt3WYU&index=4&list=PL9bs98fSwEjRv9fqBdfvNgM9jpl5zNlky>

Wyoming Local Knowledge Videos

Niels Hansen, Wyoming rancher

- Working with the BLM – 53 views
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yCWUHmyZb0&list=PL9bs98fSwEjTqCFuB86bboP1pMVOB5pyy&index=11>
- Ranch Background – 31 views
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0i_RCVMU0gl&list=PL9bs98fSwEjTqCFuB86bboP1pMVOB5pyy&index=12
- Rangeland Management Strategies – 18 views
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eqS3zYu0EZk&list=PL9bs98fSwEjTqCFuB86bboP1pMVOB5pyy&index=13>
- Rewards and Challenges of Ranching – 17 views
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4FAnBM6RWSI&list=PL9bs98fSwEjTqCFuB86bboP1pMVOB5pyy&index=14>

Frank Eathorne, Wyoming rancher

- Ranch Background – 17 views
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uaAdYh02RDw&list=PL9bs98fSwEjTqCFuB86bboP1pMVOB5pyy&index=18>
- Dealing with Energy Development – 16 views
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=plqtayad3Y8&list=PL9bs98fSwEjTqCFuB86bboP1pMVOB5pyy&index=15>
- Pasture Rotation and Grazing Strategies – 12 views
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YzeIVCMLTz8&list=PL9bs98fSwEjTqCFuB86bboP1pMVOB5pyy&index=17>
- Cattle management strategies – 18 views
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DVLilpu3iYQ&list=PL9bs98fSwEjTqCFuB86bboP1pMVOB5pyy&index=16>

Scott George, Wyoming dairy farmer

- Dairy Background – 17 views

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HAIHYObL-Qc&index=19&list=PL9bs98fSwEjTqCFuB86bboP1pMVOb5pyy>

- Cattle Management Strategies – *18 views*
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xy2FOzfy510&index=20&list=PL9bs98fSwEjTqCFuB86bboP1pMVOb5pyy>
- Land Management and Grazing – *10 views*
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=e89yWOBzL8I&list=PL9bs98fSwEjTqCFuB86bboP1pMVOb5pyy&index=21>
- Farm Management Strategies – *10 views*
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7p1zpRbcLbM&index=22&list=PL9bs98fSwEjTqCFuB86bboP1pMVOb5pyy>
- Working With Government – *10 views*
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jQvOHVyYqVc&index=23&list=PL9bs98fSwEjTqCFuB86bboP1pMVOb5pyy>

Dr. Mike Smith, University of Wyoming faculty (retired)

- Background – *15 views*
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=P9irqxtx2EA&index=24&list=PL9bs98fSwEjTqCFuB86bboP1pMVOb5pyy>
- Rewards and challenges – *17 views*
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6icPWRf2cbg&index=25&list=PL9bs98fSwEjTqCFuB86bboP1pMVOb5pyy>
- Working in Extension – *11 views*
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mPsKKFNb9oo&list=PL9bs98fSwEjTqCFuB86bboP1pMVOb5pyy&index=26>
- Traveling for Extension – *10 views*
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NMBRUrXYgoQ&index=27&list=PL9bs98fSwEjTqCFuB86bboP1pMVOb5pyy>

June and Jewel Reed, Wyoming sheep and cattle producer

- Family Business – *8 views*
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MR2JPsJowbl&list=PL9bs98fSwEjTqCFuB86bboP1pMVOb5pyy&index=36>
- History of the Ranch – *11 views*
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=s02M8iFwez0&list=PL9bs98fSwEjTqCFuB86bboP1pMVOb5pyy&index=37>
- Management Strategies – *8 views*
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GJpCb8DBozg&list=PL9bs98fSwEjTqCFuB86bboP1pMVOb5pyy&index=38>
- Progress and Change – *10 views*
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2MGryzx3nLI&list=PL9bs98fSwEjTqCFuB86bboP1pMVOb5pyy&index=39>
- Raising Sheep – *9 views*
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Cv5GK_5Ubvww&index=40&list=PL9bs98fSwEjTqCFuB86bboP1pMVOb5pyy

Jim Wilson, Wyoming rancher

- Working with Agencies – 7 views
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1OI37e5y5sc&index=41&list=PL9bs98fSwEjTqCFuB86bboP1pMVOB5pyy>
- Ranch Succession – 9 views
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=107coXqb908&list=PL9bs98fSwEjTqCFuB86bboP1pMVOB5pyy&index=42>
- Land Management – 13 views
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6NKYdHrpDXo&index=43&list=PL9bs98fSwEjTqCFuB86bboP1pMVOB5pyy>
- Cattle Management – 15 views
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=q2eYWOP4t5A&index=44&list=PL9bs98fSwEjTqCFuB86bboP1pMVOB5pyy>

Podcasts

“Voices on the Range” podcasts were developed as yet another venue for sharing local knowledge stories from Wyoming ranchers and researchers with various audiences. Seven podcasts were developed and shared via numerous media outlets. The entire collection can be viewed at <https://soundcloud.com/user-357960114> and on Global Rangelands.

Training and Professional Development

The interactive iPad Video Production Manual was created to allow self-paced learning for a wider audience. The manual is hosted on the Wyoming Rangelands website in PDF form [<http://uwyoextension.org/uwrange/discovering-wyoming-rangelands/video-production-guide/>] and will be submitted to the iBook Store for additional access. The manual features 10 embedded training videos to further audience understanding of video production, all available on YouTube [<https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLdEqMyK4nqbzkeFZOzZPC2Osg4fCy5iHP>]. Three one-page production guide checklists were created to accompany the full manual and they are also available on the Wyoming Rangelands website and under the “Tools” heading on the RP Member Site [<http://uwyoextension.org/rwpmembers/>]

WSARE PDP Report – Brush Management Workshops

<https://globalrangelands.org/brush-management-0>

An overarching goal for vegetation management in Southwestern Rangelands has been to reduce the dominance of woody species, primarily mesquite, and enhance grassland components. Building on case studies of new vegetation management strategies at the landscape level from Arizona and New Mexico, three collaborative and interrelated workshops were planned for Extension and NRCS personnel, non-profits, landowners, and other stakeholders. Two workshops have been completed with the third scheduled for October 4, 2018. Participants of the first two workshops had the opportunity to learn about historic and current trends in climate conditions and woody species management, treatment options, regulatory issues, and identification of conservation action sites. Rangeland Extension and technology specialists at the University of Arizona in collaboration with the Altar Valley Conservation Alliance, NRCS, and the Rangelands Partnership developed the workshops.

Workshops:

Workshop 1: *Increase knowledge and understanding of changing environmental conditions and their*

effects on vegetation management on Southwestern rangelands, was held January 22, 2018 at the Santa Rita Experimental Range. There were 31 participants at the workshop, however approximately 12 people registered did not attend due to a Federal government shutdown. Pre- and post-evaluation documents were collected. Presentation summaries, PowerPoint copies of the presentations (as available) and video of the presentations are available online at <https://globalrangelands.org/brush-management-workshops>.

Workshop 2: *Expand knowledge of recent and ongoing research and practice, including various treatments, on brush and woody species control in Arizona and New Mexico*, was held April 19, 2018 at Buenos Aires National Wildlife Refuge (BANWR). There were 42 participants. Pre- and post-evaluation documents were collected. Presentation summaries, PowerPoint copies of the presentations (as available) and video of the presentations are available online at <https://globalrangelands.org/brush-management-workshops>.

Workshop 3: *Improve the ability to compare and contrast different treatments in terms of: a) efficacy, b) implementation costs, c) political and regulatory hurdles, d) implementation difficulties, and e) monitoring protocols for Southwestern grasslands*, is scheduled for October 4, 2018 at the King Ranch in the Altar Valley.

Website: A Brush Management Workshops website was created specifically for this project. As stated above, presentations, videos and photos are available at <https://globalrangelands.org/brush-management-workshops>.

Videos: Three videos are either completed or nearing completion for this project.

- Video 1: [Common Ground - The Story of Brush Management in the Altar Valley, Arizona](#) was created from the preliminary workshop December 2016.
- Video 2: [Common Ground - University of Arizona Brush Control Research](#) is completed
- Video 3: Clara's Story: the Next Generation of Rangeland Stewards is process.

RREA Strategic Plan Project Report & Website

<https://globalrangelands.org/rreasp/> - Sheila's website for the project
<https://globalrangelands.org/rreasp/sites/globalrangelands.org.rreasp/files/RREASPresentationsRPconf2018.pptx> - Amber's PPT update

This almost two-year project is nearing completion. A full draft of the new 2018-2022 RREA Strategic Plan has been completed and will be sent for layout and publication after the RREA Program Directors at USDA/NIFA provide final input on highlighted RREA-supported programming.

The official launch of the Strategic Plan took place at the recent ANREP conference in Biloxi, MS with steering committee members, Mark Thorne and Kris Tiles, presenting an overview of the process for creating the plan along with project results and products. Barb provided the introduction drawing on Amber's PPT reports from recent SRM and RP annual meetings.

With assistance from Matt Rahr's Technical Team, Sheila developed a website that provides access to RREA background materials and accomplishments data, strategic planning survey data, and past strategic plans (see home page and 2018-22 RREA Strategic Plan cover below).



International Year of Rangelands and Pastoralists Initiative

<https://globalrangelands.org/international-year-rangelands-and-pastoralists-initiative>

Beginning in early 2016, many organizations began working together to gain support for a United Nations designated International Year of Rangelands and Pastoralists (IYRP). This led to the formalization of an IYRP Steering Committee that has spearheaded this effort by actively engaging with colleagues and interested parties around the world. The Steering Committee has coordinated numerous meetings and events, and has worked with members to gain the support of their respective governments for the IYRP. One important event brought particular attention to this effort. The United Nations Environment Assembly conference held in Nairobi in May of 2016 (UNEA-2) included a Side Event on “Sustainable Pastoralism and the Responsible Consumption of Livestock”. The outcome of UNEA-2 was a successful resolution “Combating desertification, land degradation, and drought and promoting sustainable pastoralism and rangelands”. While this resolution did not include a provision for an International Year, it did include language calling upon organizations around the world to “contribute to raising the awareness of sustainable pastoralism and rangelands.” It also called for a worldwide gap analysis related to rangelands issues; this analysis is expected to be completed in 2018. Current efforts are focused on a Resolution for an IYRP drawn up by Kenyans in 2017 (see under Related Declarations below), and proposed in early 2018 by their Ministry of Agriculture to their Ministry of Foreign Affairs. The expectation is that the Kenyan Government will submit the proposed Resolution to the Director General of FAO for consideration. Organizations in many other countries, starting with Kyrgyzstan and Iran, have agreed with this strategy and are preparing letters of support for the Kenya Resolution. Still more are expected to follow.

International Year of Rangelands & Pastoralists – Steering Committee Members

The Steering Committee Members are as follows. While these are the primary Steering Committee members, some organizations have secondary members who will assist as needed.

Chair: Jim O'Rourke (International Rangeland Congress & Society for Range Management) – jorourke@csc.edu

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Rangelands Partnership Monthly Newsletter

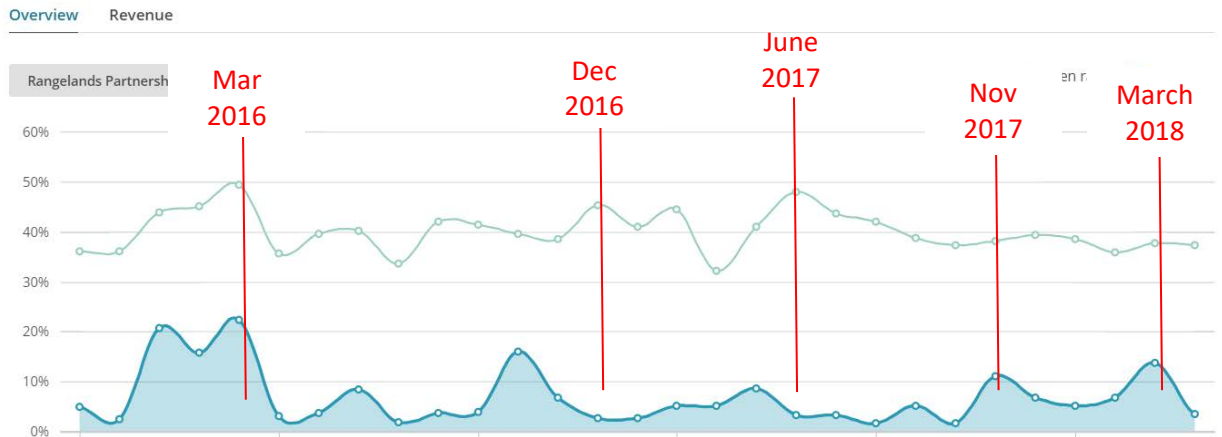
Amber Dalke has continued yet another year of wonderful monthly newsletters for the Partnership. Here are the statistics from our readership:

List Stats	2016-2017	2017-2018
Average Open Rate	34.1%	34.1%
Average Click Rate	5.1%	4.6%
Subscribers	118	119

How readers are choosing to view the newsletter:

Ways to View Newsletter	Percent
Desktop	61.4%
Outlook 2016	14.9%
Apple Mail	12.9%
Gmail	12.9%
Outlook 2013	10.9%
Outlook 2010	5.0%
Mobile	38.6%
iPhone	29.7%
Chrome Mobile	5.0%
Android Webview	4.0%

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SRM Journal Archive at the University of Arizona

Additional years/volumes for the SRM journals -REM 2012 and Rangelands 2015 - have been uploaded to the University of Arizona Libraries repository's (UAiR) SRM journals collection. These will be imported into the Global Rangelands database in the next month.

Usage stats for 2017 on UAiR for REM show a modest 7.07% increase in pageviews over 2016 stats from 48,316 to 51,733. The United States remains as the source of the highest percentage (45.44%) of users is from the United States, followed by India, Canada, the U.K. and Australia.

Rangelands usage stats on UAiR show 21,985 pageviews in 2017, a decrease of 10.05% from 2016's 24,441 pageviews. Geographic locations of users for Rangelands is somewhat different from REM, with the U.S., Canada, Nigeria, the U.K. and India being the top five.

Note: We are looking at how, if possible, we could get similarly detailed usage stats from the Global Rangelands site for the SRM journal records.

Booth Report from SRM Annual Meeting (Reno, February 2018)

The RP hosted another successful booth display at the SRM annual meetings in Reno-Sparks, NV January 27 – February 1, 2018. Once again, we had a booth in the exhibit hall with more than 100 people stopping by on Monday alone (see key visitor list below). The raffle drawings for two “SRM Meeting Survival Baskets” filled with treats and RP swag were a big hit with two lucky student winners. In addition to the RP exhibit booth, RP members shared updates at the Outreach, Communications & Website (OCW) meeting on Sunday afternoon. Meetings were held with many people about Global Rangelands content & a successful symposium was held on the International Year of Rangelands initiative.

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Recent Changes and Additions to RP websites

- ✓ Brush Management topic addition to GR
- ✓ Large Landscape Conservation topic
- ✓ SRM meeting abstracts uploaded
- ✓ RREA Strategic Plan website
- ✓ RP logo addition to GR homepage

- ✓ Continuous updates to IYRP webpage
- ✓ Fixed dead-end links for records without full text content (e.g. Abstracts only)
- ✓ Education website footers revised on GR/RW
- ✓ Feature update on RW
- ✓ Backyards & Beyond magazine content upload (in progress)
- ✓ Topic revisions (in progress)
- ✓ Annual upload of SRM journals (in progress)