



# Needlegrass Notes

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## President's Message

Larry Forero

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I continue to be amazed by the degree of dedication and professionalism demonstrated by the members of the Cal-Pac SRM Section. I attended the SRM Meeting in Spokane and had the opportunity to attend President's Advisory Council. Cal-Pac member Jim Sullins did an outstanding job facilitating the meeting and with his leadership provided key advice to the board of directors. The Spokane meeting was well attended by Cal-Pac section members; many of whom presented papers and posters as well as served on national committees. We all owe a debt of gratitude to both Stephanie Larson and Ken Fulgham serving on the board of directors of the parent society. Their experience with cutting-edge range issues in California coupled with their dedication and passion for the range profession brings a new perspective to the parent society.



The Marysville meeting field sessions to Bidwell Park and the Sutter Buttes were interesting and well attended. Susan Marshall did a great job coordinating it all and I truly appreciate her efforts to involve students in the activities of our section.

I have truly appreciated all the efforts of our section membership to take on some of the roles that keep our section functioning. Please take a moment to review the list of committee chairs. If you see any of these people, take a moment to thank them for their efforts. If you can—try to help them out. It is easier than you think—refer a potential member to Devii Rao or submit an award nomination to Theresa Becchetti. There will be no end of opportunities to get involved in SRM 2015

I look forward to seeing you in Sacramento September 17 and 18. This will be an important meeting for us as we will be beginning the planning efforts for SRM 2015. The Water Quality Training session planned for us at our fall meeting promises to be interesting and educational as well.

Larry Forero

*Your 2012 Committee Chairs  
& Members*

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## Mr. Mike Stroud, Conservationist and Mentor

By Mitch Perdue

A wonderful memorial was held for Mike Stroud, Conservationist, Mentor, and 46 year Society for Range Management Member, at Elkus Ranch in Half Moon Bay, CA. Elkus Ranch is home to the California-Pacific SRM Range and Natural Resources Camp. This was a fitting place to pay tribute to the man who started the Camp more than 28 years ago.

Mike's life and accomplishments were celebrated by his wife, friends, SRM Members, Navy Natural Resources co-workers and this year's campers and camp staff. Mike's final wishes were to erect a bench and plant Coast Live Oak (*Quercus agrifolia*) where he could watch over future generations of campers and serve to remember that his presence will forever grow with the camp. SRM members and Navy co-workers ensured Mike's wishes were fulfilled on Friday June 22nd 2012. Mike will be greatly missed for his leadership, vision and determination to do the right thing for the natural resources and the people's lives he touched over the years.

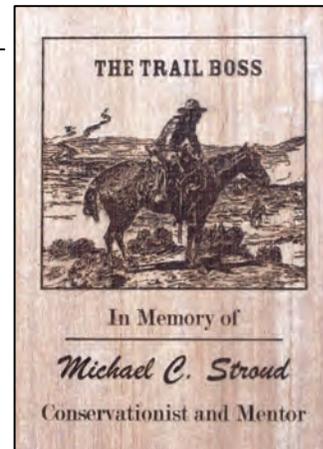
At the end of each year's camp, Mike used to speak to the campers about their future. I will leave with some of my favorite Mike-isms:

- On Relationships – You will never have a second chance for a first impression
- On Faith – Believe in something bigger than yourself
- On Leadership – Lead, follow or get the heck out of the way
- On Life – Have a plan A, a plan B and a plan C!

Mike was an inspirational natural resource professional who has dedicated his career to make improvements in the approach and philosophy of the Navy and DoD towards natural resources stewardship. His guiding influence and technical knowledge was instrumental in making the Southwest Division and the overall Navy programs a model for all DoD.

Fair Winds and Following Sea's Mike!

Your friend and colleague,  
Mitch Perdue



(Left) Family, friends, SRM Members, Navy Natural Resources co-workers and this year's campers and camp staff gather for Mike's memorial.

(Right) Leonard Jolley helps plant Mike's Tree.



## SRM 2015 Annual Convention in Sacramento

By Sheila Barry and Alan Bower

The California-Pacific Section has agreed to host the 2015 Society for Range Management Convention in Sacramento in 2015. Our section hosted the convention in Kona, Hawaii in 2001. Pulling off that convention took a tremendous amount of effort, energy and leadership from our membership. It proved to be an excellent convention and demonstrated the dedication and professionalism of our section.

The Sacramento venue for the 2015 convention should prove to be an ideal opportunity to showcase the diversity of California rangelands. To pull off this conference successfully it will be critical that we gain the assistance of our section members. Sheila Barry and Alan Bower have graciously agreed to serve as chairs for the event. They will meet in August to develop a list of committees and tasks.

Please plan on coming to the September California-Pacific meeting in Sacramento (September 17 and 18th). Several hours on the afternoon of September 17th will be allocated for this discussion, so please plan to attend and participate.

## 66th SRM Annual Meeting, Technical Training and Tradeshow, February 3-7, 2013

From the SRM Website

Oklahoma is more than crazy weather, open plains and Outlaw country. The SRM 2013 Annual Meeting will be held, Feb. 3-7, 2013, in the heart of Oklahoma City, specifically in Bricktown, a progressive, culturally diverse part of Oklahoma City. The theme for OKC is exciting and fitting: "Native America, Native Rangelands."

Technical tours of Oklahoma include the Wichita Mountains Wildlife Refuge, the Tallgrass Prairie Preserve and others. Located southwest of Oklahoma City in the heart of the Mixed-grass prairie, the Wichita Mountains Wildlife Refuge is a unique part of Oklahoma. Managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, the 60,000 acre refuge provides habitat to deer, elk, bison as well as a grazing land to Texas long-horn cattle. Learn about current research being conducted on the refuge and experience the Oklahoma "mountains."

A little ways to the northeast of Oklahoma City you will find the Nature Conservancy's Tallgrass Prairie Preserve, located near Pawhuska, Okla. The Tallgrass Prairie Preserve is the largest protected remnant of tallgrass prairie left on earth. While on the trip you will get to see unfragmented tallgrass prairie, as well as learn about the fire and grazing management and research being conducted on the preserve.

Abstracts for volunteer oral and poster papers and for organized symposia, workshops, and forums are due by August 20, 2012. All abstracts are to be formally submitted online at:

<https://srm.conference-services.net/authorlogin.asp?conferenceID=3292&language=en-uk>.

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## **SRM Endowment Fund and Raffle**

The Society for Range Management established an Endowment Fund in 1980 to help meet the long-term needs the Society. Below is more information regarding the Endowment Fund, its purpose, use of the funds and how funds are raised. One way funds are raised is through an annual Endowment Fund raffle with a drawing at the Annual Meeting. Larry Forero will have the raffle tickets available at our California-Pacific Fall Meeting in Sacramento. A total of 2,500 tickets were printed that will sell for \$5 each or 5 tickets for \$20. Prizes this year include 1) Custom Browning O/U 12 ga. shotgun donated by Sharp Bro. Seed; 2) a custom 50X beaver hat donated by Shorty's Hattery, OKC; and 3) a Harold Holder bronze donated by past Presidents of SRM. In addition, Sharp Bro. Seed is donating a custom Ruger 22 cal. rifle as a "losers" prize.

### **Endowment Fund Information**

**Written by Tom Bartlett, Chairman, SRM Endowment Fund Development Comm.**

The Society for Range Management Endowment Fund was expressly established in 1980 to underwrite a strong financial position for the Society. The Endowment Fund serves both the immediate and future needs of SRM. The Endowment Fund provides SRM members and other supporters with opportunities to contribute to the long-term health and well-being of SRM in a manner that is both personally satisfying and financially convenient.

Individual contributions have accounted for approximately 75%, and special events, such as raffles and the Silent Auction, have contributed 25%. The Endowment Fund is structured so that the corpus remains intact and only the earnings or a portion thereof may be spent. In the past, 75% of annual earnings support SRM operations and/or special projects as determined by the Board of Directors. The remaining 25% of earnings remains in the Endowment to build the corpus. In Spokane, the Endowment Fund Development Committee and Finance Committee recommended that the annual contribution to SRM from the Endowment Fund will be 3% of the past three year average of the value in the Endowment Fund. This will allow for a fairly predictable amount but will also allow of the Endowment to grow. The current value of the Endowment Fund is about \$450,000.

SRM members can help grow the Endowment Fund by estate giving, a dedicated annuity, one time donations, dollar-per-year donations, and participation in silent auctions and raffles. Sections can also participate by donating items to the Silent Auction. These items can be representative of the Section's cultures, agricultural products or environmental diversity. For example, the New Mexico Section has donated chili ristras, green chili salsa, and Native American crafts.

The Endowment Fund Development Committee will deeply appreciate any donations that Sections can make. And of course we appreciate and encourage individuals to donate items.

## Ecological Site Descriptions Focus of Spring Meeting In Butte Co.

By Morgan Doran

The Spring meeting was held in beautiful Butte County, which afforded the large group great scenery and many learning opportunities on soil geomorphology and range ecology. Susan Edinger Marshall, Leonard Jolley and Dave Kelley did an outstanding job organizing the meeting and tour.....hats off to all. Thanks also to Tracy Schohr for helping with local arrangements.

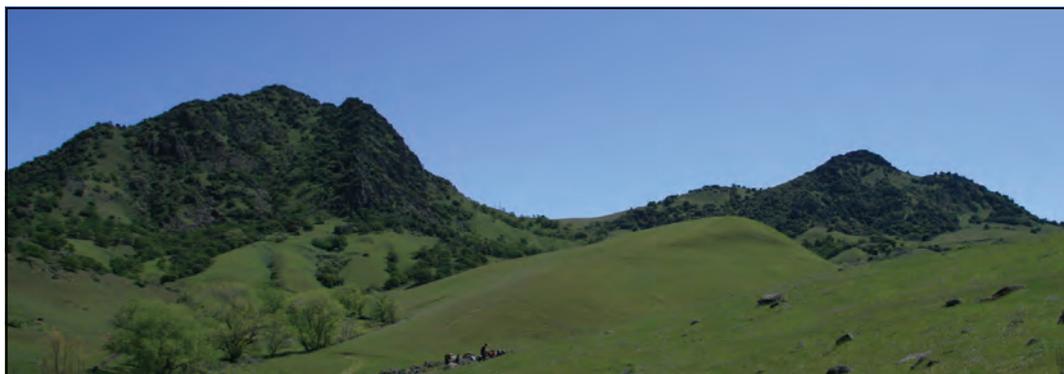
The meeting was all about Ecological Site Descriptions (ESD), their development and relevance to rangeland management. The importance of soil properties in determining ESDs quickly formed as the A-horizon for the meeting, but not because the meeting was organized by soil scientists. The meeting started with general descriptions of the soil landscape and history in Butte County and followed by a series of presentations, moderated by Dr. Joel Brown, describing the purpose, evolution and development of ESDs. These discussions and presentations set the stage for a fantastic tour the following day.

Bright and early we rendezvoused at Bidwell Park on the east side of Chico for a soils geomorphology tour through the soil terraces and vegetation zones. Andrew Conlin, with the USDA-NRCS Soil Survey Office in Chico, walked the group through a series of soil transitions while explaining their dynamic formations and characteristics and the resulting effects on vegetation and land use. The troop then headed south where we visited the Sands and



*Andrew Conlin leads soil tour at Bidwell Park.*

Steidlmayer farming/ranching operations located on the Sutter Buttes. It was quite a treat to soak in the up-close views of the Buttes and learn the history of families that have managed rangelands around the Buttes for several generations. The grand finale was hosted by landowner Marty Steidlmayer who graciously excavated three soil pits for the Humboldt State range and soils students to examine for their class project and to emphasize to the entire group the spatial variability of soil properties and the importance of scale when determining ESDs and land management decisions. In conclusion, the Cal-Pac Section hosted 52 students in all (including about a dozen from University of Nevada-Reno and Woodland Community College) and was able to visit a geological jewel of private rangelands in the Sacramento Valley while learning about soil-vegetation relationships.



*View of the Sutter Buttes from the west side looking east.*



*HSU students in the pit*

## Cal-Pac Finances Reprinting of Seminal Rangeland Publication

By David Kelley

The California-Pacific Section has agreed to finance the reprinting of a seminal publication in California rangelands history, the book **California Rangeland. An Historico-Ecological Study of the Range Resource of California** by Lee T. Burcham, originally published in 1957 and based on Dr. Burcham's Ph.D. thesis in geography at the University of California, Berkeley. The republication of this volume will be undertaken by the Center for Archaeological Research at Davis, the same organization that reprinted the book (now out of print) in 1981. Jim West, now retired from UCD, has agreed to update his forward for the 1981 reprint and reexamine the importance of the book over 30 years after its reprinting and over 50 years after its original publication. John Stechman, Section Historian, published a short biography of Dr. Burcham in the May 1999 Needlegrass Notes, where he noted the importance of the work and the prominence of Dr. Burcham in the history of California rangelands research. We expect to finish the preparations for the publication of this work over the next month.

## Fall 2013 Section Meeting in Hawai'i

By David Kelley

The California-Pacific Section is due for a meeting rotation to Hawaii and we are in the planning stages for a Fall Meeting (October/November) there in 2013. Suggested themes include an emphasis on endangered species and grazing/hunting issues in the highland areas, traditional land management and resource utilization practices in the islands, and coping with drought that ranchers in Hawaii have been experiencing for a while now. The forecast is for about a 95% chance of local food, native brews, warm sand, and clear seas. Chance of snorkeling, with volcanoes on the horizon. Start making your plans now—there will be more information coming out soon.



**IMPORTANT:** We would like to hear from members regarding their ideas for the meeting and some indications of the best time to schedule it. Please take a moment to contact Dave Kelley ([dbkelley@jps.net](mailto:dbkelley@jps.net)) with your thoughts or suggestions. Fall travel prices and tourist volumes are more favorable than spring prices, and there are agency budgeting considerations that might be dealt with more easily than for an earlier meeting. The informal committee working on the meeting—Commander Forero, El Cacique Fulgham, and Dadgum Kelley—needs your input.

## California Range Management Advisory Committee – Background and Status Update

By Marc Horney

For some time I have been intending to provide the section with a summary of what the Range Management Advisory Committee (RMAC) has been doing. Why was it *not* doing something you might ask? In this case, because RMAC's activities had been suspended by the Board of Forestry because of the state fiscal crisis. That was supposed to be a temporary event, and we had been waiting for word of resumption at any time... which took more than 18 months.

I am glad to report, however, that it looks like this circumstance is in the process of being reversed. We are told that RMAC is scheduled to have its next regular business meeting during the week of September 11, and I will send an e-mail to the section's e-mail system as soon as the dates/times and agenda is set.

Since 2009 I have served as one of two "public" members of the state's Range Management Advisory Committee, known as "RMAC." For those of you who aren't familiar with RMAC, you can find a brief description of the committee's function and organization at <http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/displaycode?section=prc&group=00001-01000&file=730-745> (Section 741). Basically, the California Public Resource code requires the state's Board of Forestry (BOF) to appoint members to a Range Management Advisory Committee (which functions as a working committee under BOF), and that committee exists to advise the BOF, the Resources Agency, the California Environmental Protection Agency, and the Department of Food and Agriculture on matters related to state policies affecting rangelands and rangeland users. RMAC is not often approached to offer advice, except by BOF, so its members try to keep watch on developing issues that they can bring those agencies' attention to, through the BOF.

With regard to my recent involvement with RMAC, understand that I, as a "public" member, serve as a connection to those rangeland interests not represented by the entities named in the establishment language of the public resources code (see the link in the paragraph above). It has been my desire to find ways to better connect professionals and resource managers/users in the state with RMAC who are not already represented on the committee, so that RMAC can do a better job of addressing state agency policies that impact them

So what had RMAC been working on up until its suspension? We had been evaluating the 'new' state fire plan, Williamson Act rollback impacts on ranching and rangeland enterprises, and several water quality/water regulation projects. On the water regulation side, back in 2010 we had learned that the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) had encouraged staff from several of the Regional Water Quality Control Boards to form a working group and begin shaping a template for a rangeland water quality waiver, one that might either be applied at the state level, or be shared among regions as individual need for it arose. We were just getting connected with that process when our activities were suspended. At the time, the Lahontan (Region 6) and San Francisco (Region 2) Regional Water Quality Control Boards both had grazing land waivers that were being considered (Tomaes Bay grazing waiver in Region 2 and Bridgeport grazing waiver in Region 6). We were also exploring the potential impacts that the USFS' proactive efforts to meet state water quality benchmarks might have on policies being developed by the SWRCB.

Topics that RMAC has been asked to take up in this coming year include reviews of policies related to grazing and research in State Forests and rangelands, the Vegetation Treatment Program EIR, and state invasive species policies. We have also been asked to develop a proposal for BOF in regards to the future structure and representation of RMAC (i.e. exactly who should be represented among RMAC's members). Should CalPac have a place there?

Over the last few years, as the budget situation developed, RMAC has begun making participation in meetings via conference call a standard alternative to traveling to the Resources Agency offices in Sacramento. One advantage of that is that this has, in theory, made it possible for more people to participate in RMAC meetings. Most of our meetings involve two half-day sessions. Ordinarily our subcommittees meet the afternoon of the first day, and then the full group meets for the formal session in the morning (0800-noon) on the second day. Public participation is not something I've seen much of in my few years, and I would like that to change.

With that, watch for my meeting announcement on the membership listserv in the next couple weeks (I hope). RMAC's home page, such as it is, is at [http://www.bof.fire.ca.gov/board\\_committees/range\\_management\\_advisory\\_committee/](http://www.bof.fire.ca.gov/board_committees/range_management_advisory_committee/) (look for items towards the bottom of the page's left sidebar (blue shaded area)). Please let me know if you have any questions or comments you'd like me to share with the committee. Contact me at [mrhorney@calpoly.edu](mailto:mrhorney@calpoly.edu).

## **Cal-Pac Board of Directors Make Sections Funds Available**

By Larry Forero, Section President

At the July 9, 2012 conference call the Board of Directors passed a motion through which California-Pacific Section members could request funds for activities that will accomplish the following:

1. Improve visibility of the section
2. Offer opportunities for student involvement
3. Assist with professional development of range professionals
4. Provide support for membership recruitment
5. Other

Application will be a simple description of what intended action is and anticipated results. Sue Forbes will take the lead on development of a simple form. Sheila Barry will serve as the repository of these request. She will circulate them to the directors prior to meetings/conference calls for action. Grant request limited at \$500 per request, not to exceed \$2000 total section expenditure for annually for this program. The application form is on the Section website and is included on the following page of this newsletter.

**SOCIETY FOR RANGE MANAGEMENT  
CAL-PAC SECTION  
FISCAL RESOURCE REQUEST FORM**

Request Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Project Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Project Location: \_\_\_\_\_  
Submitted By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Primary Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_  
Proposed Start Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Projected End Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Proposal Type or Categorization: (Please check one)

- Improve visibility of the section
- Offer opportunities for student involvement
- Assist with professional development of range professionals
- Provide support for membership recruitment
- Other

Total cost of Project: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Matching Funds, if applicable \$ \_\_\_\_\_

PROJECT PURPOSE/OBJECTIVE \_\_\_\_\_

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PROJECT DESCRIPTION \_\_\_\_\_

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HOW WILL THE PROJECT ENHANCE THE CAL-PAC SECTION \_\_\_\_\_

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HOW WILL THE FUNDS BE USED \_\_\_\_\_

- BOARD REVIEW
  - APPROVED
  - DISAPPROVED

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SECRETARY                      DATE

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PRESIDENT                      DATE

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TREASURER                      DATE

\*Total financial award from CAL-PAC Section not to exceed \$500/application.  
Complete form and email to Shelia Barry: sbarry@ucdavis.edu

# Society for Range Management



California Pacific Section Society for Range Management  
September 17-18, 2012 Fall Membership Meeting

## SRM 2015 Planning & Rangeland Water Quality



Photo courtesy of Leonard Jolley – Big Chico Creek, 2012

### Hyatt Regency, Sacramento

#### Monday, September 17

Noon to 2:00 pm	Cal-Pac Board Meeting
2:00 to 6:00 pm	On-site Registration
2:00 to 4:00 pm	<b>Planning for SRM Sacramento 2015:</b> Sheila Barry and Alan Bower
6:00 to 7:00 pm	Social Hour - no host bar
7:00 to 9:00 pm	Catered Banquet at Hyatt Regency, Sacramento

#### *Featuring:*

- Silent Auction (please bring donated items),
- Live Auction of the Infamous Bone (to benefit HSU Plant I.D. Team)
- Live Auction of Mike Stroud Memorabilia (to benefit Range Camp)

**PROGRAM                    Tuesday, September 18 –**

**Participation in the entire workshop qualifies for:**

- **6 CEUs through the Society for Range Management**
- **6 contact hours through the American Water Works Association**

9:00 – 9:45 am    Welcome and overview – History and Effectiveness of Rangeland Water Quality Management Plans in California  
*Dr. Stephanie Larson-Praplan*

9:45 – 10:45 am    Legislative and Regulatory History of the Porter-Cologne and Clean Water Act in California (Speaker –Mr. Jack Rice, Associate Counsel, Natural Resources & Environmental Department, California Farm Bureau Federation)

10:30 – 10:45 am            Break

10:45 – 11:45        Research Summary– Rangeland Watersheds and Impacts on Water Quality  
*Dr. Randy Dahlgren, University of California, Davis*

11:45 – Noon        Q&A

Noon – 1:00 pm    Lunch Buffet

1:00 – 2:00 pm    Panel Presentation - Regional Water Quality Boards – Recent Initiatives to Improve Water Quality on Rangelands  
*Mr. Matt St. John, North Coast Regional Water Quality Board, Mr. Ben Letton, Central Valley Regional Water Quality Board State Water Board - invited*

2:00 -3:00 pm    U.S. Forest Service Region 5 – Water Quality Plan, Water Quality Research, Best Management Practices and Concerns on National Forests.  
*Ms. Anne Yost –Regional Rangeland Management Specialist  
Mr. Barry Hill - Regional Hydrologist*

3:00 – 3:15 pm    Break

3:15 – 4:00 pm    Round table discussions and reporting back to group. Where do we find common ground? Where is there uncertainty? How do we reach common goals?

4:00 – 4:15 pm    Wrap up and farewell

**REGISTRATION FORM**  
**California-Pacific Society for Range Management 2012 Fall Membership Meeting**  
**Registration**

**Hyatt Regency – Sacramento, California**  
**Monday, September 17 – Tuesday September 18**

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_  
 Organization: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Affiliation:                     Cal-Pac SRM Member                     Other SRM Section Member  
     Non-member     Student

Number	Subtotal
_____ SRM Member Registration - Banquet (9/17) and Lunch (9/18) @ \$110	\$ _____
_____ Non-Member Registration - Banquet (9/17) and Lunch (9/18) @ \$125	\$ _____
_____ Student Registration - Banquet (9/17) and Lunch (9/18) @ \$75	\$ _____
_____ <b>Late Registration Fee if after August 27</b> @ \$130 each	\$ _____
_____ <b>Social and Banquet (purchase separately)</b>	
<b>Monday September 17 @ \$65.00 each</b>	\$ _____

**\*The above prices include tax and gratuity.**

**One Day Registrations**

**Monday September 17**

_____ One Day SRM Member Registration (no banquet)	\$ free
_____ One Day Non Member Registration (no banquet)	\$ free
_____ One Day Student Registration (no banquet)	\$ free

**Tuesday, September 18**

_____ One Day SRM Member Registration w/ lunch @ \$50.00 each	\$ _____
_____ One Day Non Member Registration w/ lunch @ \$60.00 each	\$ _____
_____ One Day Student Registration w/ lunch @ \$30.00 each	\$ _____
_____ <b>Late Registration Fee if after August 27, 2012</b> @ \$65 each	\$ _____
Grand Total =	\$ _____

<p style="text-align: center;"><u><a href="http://srm.allenmm.com">Register Online</a></u>  <a href="http://srm.allenmm.com">http://srm.allenmm.com</a>                      &gt; Sections &gt; Cal-Pac Section Meeting</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Members must log-in to register.</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u><a href="#">Register by Mail</a></u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Complete the above form</li> <li>2. Make Check to "SRM" memo: Cal-Pac</li> <li>3. Mail to below address:</li> </ol> <p style="text-align: center;">Society for Range Management                      PO Box 7065                      Lawrence, KS 66044</p>
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**Please make your own hotel reservations for the Hyatt Regency (one of our SRM 2015 Annual Meetings Hotels) no later than August 27 to get special rates.**

### **MAKING RESERVATIONS**

**A dedicated website is now available for your attendees to book their hotel rooms online. Reservations can be made starting 07-Aug-2012 at this web address:**

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