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Serious Graziers Will Meet in St. Louis for National Conference

Nearly 2,000 people with an interest in grazing are expected to meet in St. Louis December 10-13 for the Third National Conference on Grazing Lands.

The conference is hosted by the Grazing Lands Conservation Initiative (GLCI). It will provide a forum for exchange of information, an opportunity to identify grazing land research and program needs, and a chance to see new products and learn about new services.

There will be presentations about grazing management from a variety of sources, including farmers, ranchers, and representatives of universities and agricultural agencies. Technical assistance will be emphasized. The conference also should heighten public awareness of the economic and environmental aspects of grazing lands.

Presentations will focus on: building partnerships between agricultural, grazing and urban communities; successful cutting-edge management technologies for grazing practices; economic, marketing and public policy implications of grazing; and optimizing grazing land health for environmental and social benefits.

For more information about the conference, including registration information, visit www.glci.org, and click on the “grazing conference” link.

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(Media note: You are invited to attend the conference as GLCI’s guest. There will be a press room onsite, and we will have people available to help you gain access to speakers and other specialists. For more information about the conference and speakers or to make arrangements to attend the conference, contact John Peterson, conference manager, at 703-455-4387 or via e-mail at jwpeterson@cox.net).