#### GRAZING MANAGEMENT SCHOOL

This course is sponsored by The South Florida Beef-Forage Program of the University of Florida, Cooperative Extension Service. It is conducted with the volunteer assistance of area livestock producers and Allied Industries. It represents separation of the original Forage and Pasture Management School into subject components that can be taught in a couple of days. It is part of a continuing multi-County education effort to help South-Central Florida producers raise and market more high quality beef cattle, per cow, per acre, profitably.

Grazing management is the manipulation of livestock grazing to obtain defined outputs of livestock products. It involves careful management of both pasture and livestock resources to meet desired objectives. This course is offered in a two day session. The theories of grazing management concepts and methods are discussed in a classroom setting during the first day, and concepts taught are supported by practical applications in the field during the second day tour to selected ranches in the area.

This is the nineth annual "Grazing Management School" and we encourage you and your personnel to attend. Registration fee for this school is \$ 40.00 if returned by September 11, 2015, and \$ 50.00 if returned after September 11, 2015 or at the door. A minimum number of registrations are required for continuation of the program and planning purposes, so every effort is encouraged to register by the deadline. Registration forms can be obtained at one of the Extension offices in The South Florida Beef-Forage Program area, or by contacting one of the participating Extension Agents listed on the back of this brochure. Registrations should be returned to, and checks made payable to:

South Florida Beef-Forage Program c/o Pat Hogue, Treasurer 458 Hwy 98 N Okeechobee, FL 34972

Dates, times and locations are tentative and subject to change.

#### Thursday, September 24, 2015

#### **AGENDA**

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GRIZING WITH TIGENERY BEHOOD			
AM	Moderator: 8:00 – 8:30	Bridget Stice Registration & Check-in	
	8:30 – 8:35	Introduction Sonja Crawford	
	8:35 – 9:20	Soil Fertility for Forages, Pastures, and Hay Dr. <b>Maria Silveira</b>	
	9:20 – 10:10	Improved Forage Varieties for Grazing Systems - Pat Hogue	
	10:10 - 10:30	BREAK	
	10:30 – 11:10	Pasture Establishment & Renovation – <b>Lindsey</b> <b>Wiggins</b>	
	11:10 – 12:00	Weed Control in Varying Grazing Systems, <b>Dr. Brent Sellers</b>	
	12:00 – 12:45	Lunch	
PM	Moderator:	James McWhorter	
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#### FIELD TOUR

12:45 - 4:00	Tour of Forage variety trials
	and plots Weed garden and
	control trials on Range Cattle
	RFC

#### Friday, September 25, 2015

AM	Moderator	<b>Tycee Prevatt</b>
	8:15 – 9:00	Conserved Forage Options
		Nutritive Value and Dry
		Matter Losses
		<b>Bridget Stice</b>
	9:00 – 9:50	Grazing Management
		Systems, Dr. Joao
		Vendramini

#### Friday, Sept. 25, continued

	9:50 – 10:05	BREAK
	10:05 – 11:00	Native Range in Grazing Systems & Managing for Wildlife – <b>Dr. Raoul Boughton</b>
	11:00 – 11:45	Understanding Forage Based Nutrition and Deficits in Forage Quantity and Quality – <b>Dr. Phillip Lancaster</b>
	11:45 – 12:30	Economics of Producing Cattle on Forage – Chris Prevatt & James McWhorter
	12:30 – 1:00	Lunch
PM	12:30 – 1:00 <b>Moderator</b>	Lunch Christa Kirby
PM		
PM	Moderator	



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