Grazing Conservation Coalition Elects Officers

CAMP HILL (Cumberland Co.) – The Pennsylvania Grazing Lands-Forage Conservation Coalition conducted its first meeting at the Farm Bureau Building in August and elected officers.

The Pennsylvania Grazing Lands-Forage Conservation Coalition is a grass-roots, producer-driven effort with representation on the board of Farm Bureau, Pennsylvania Pennsylvania Forage and Grassland Council, Pennsylvania Dairy Associa-Pennsylvania Holstein Association, Pennsylvania Livestock Association. Pennsylvania Cattlemen's Association, Pennsylvania Association of Conservation Districts, Pennsyl-vania Sheep and Wool Grower's Association, Pennsylvania RC&D Area Representatives and Pennsylvania State Grange.

The Pennsylvania Grazing Lands-Forage Conservation Coalition is a grass-roots effort to enhance technical assistance available to owners of private grazing lands. In addition, the coalition works to increase public awareness of the importance pasturelands have in food production, people's health, and the conservation of our national resources.

Driving the Pennsylvania Grazing Lands-Forage Conservation Coalition is a collective of private grazing land owners and managers participating with several conservation, environmental, scientific, and producer organizations.

The voluntary program assists private landowners, identifies priority issues, and finds solutions to improve grazing lands.

The chairman of The National Steering Committee Grazing lands, Bob Drake, Oklahoma, and Director Gary Westmoreland, Texas, were present to help draft Pennsylvania's Grazing Lands Coalition By-laws. Officers were elected. They are chairman Jim Henry, Cattlemen's Association, Clarion County; vice chair John Courtney, Wool Grower's Association, Mercer County; vice chairman of communications, Candace Burke, Penn's Corner RC&D, Armstrong County; treasurer, Elrose Glick, Mid-States RC&D, Mifflin County.

Coalition Stages First Field

FREEPORT (Armstrong Co.) – The Pennsylvania Grazing Lands-Forage Conservation Coalition was scheduled to conduct its first Pennsylvania State Field Day and Tour of a rotational grazing beef farm on October 23 at 10 a.m. at Hoss's Steak House, State College. The program was scheduled to continue in the afternoon with a tour of Bob Hockenberry's "Project Grass" rotational grazing beef farm in

Northern Huntington.

Speakers at the Hoss's Steak House in the morning session were Dr. William L. Stout, USDA/ARS Pasture systems and Water Sheds Research, The Grazing Research And Education Center, University

Tom Calvert discussed grazing and sheep production. Calvert is the retired project grass coordinator, Somerset.

Nick Pinizzotto, Armstrong, Indiana, and Butler Counties Pennsylvania nutrient manager spoke on the Nutrient Management Law and Rotational Grazing and Nutrient Management.

Larry Lohr spoke about Grazing And The Dairy Farmer. Larry and his wife, Gloria, have been grazing farmers for 13 years and at any given time the Lohr's are running 80 to 90 Holsteins through their grazing paddocks.

After lunch the tour of Bob Hockenberry's Project Grass Rotational Grazing Beef Farm was under way in northern Huntington with coordinator J.B. Harold.

Speaker on the farm tour was Dr. Matt Sanderson USDA/ARS.

Dr. Marvin Hall, Penn State Agtonomy-Crop Science Culture and Utilization of Forage Crops specialist, lectured on Selecting Pasture.

The coalition is a grass-roots, producer-driven, private grazing organization working with several conservation, environmental, scientific, and producer organization to enhance technical assistance available to owners of private grazing lands.

Ag Crisis Conference Brings Government, Farmers Together

ABERNATHY, Texas — Everyone's talking about the weather this year, and, as usual, no one can really do anything about it.

But this summer, farmers and others in the agricultural Community came together to discuss ways to cope with the drought that has stricken a large part of the crop production area in the United States.

The Ag Crisis Conference was held in Okathama City recently to provide a forum to discuss problems caused by the weather and to develop a plan of action.

The conference brought in governors from four of the affected states, the state commissioners of agriculture from several states, as well as representatives from farm organizations from 17 states.

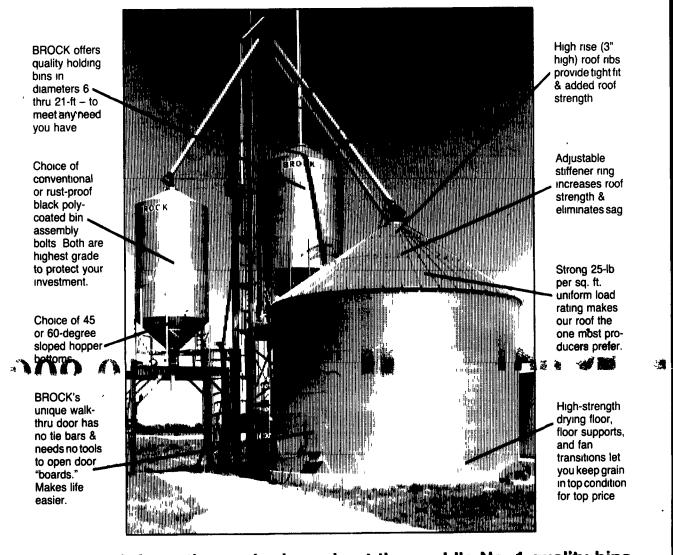
Representing sorghum growers at the conference were NGSP directors Dale Artho, Ken Rose and Kenny Tevis and NGSP executive director, Tim Lust.

Tevi, NGSP president, said the conference was a way to get the word out about the drought and its effect on the agricultural economy.

The conference served two purposes, he said. It helped increase awareness of the different problems faced by different groups, and it gave the governors and commissioners a chance to develop a list of issues that will be forwarded to Washington for action.

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