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Kansas Graziers' Winter Conference Scheduled for January 15 in Junction City

Whiting, Ks. - The Kansas Grazier's Association (KGA) will hold its Winter Conference on Saturday January 15, 2011 at the Geary County 4H-Senior Citizen's Center at 1025 South Spring Valley Road in Junction City, Ks.

The primary topic of the day will be Mob Grazing, and the keynote speaker will be Greg Judy of Clark, Missouri. Greg and Jan Judy run a grazing operation on 1400 acres of leased land using Holistic High Density Planned Grazing to graze cows, cow/calf pairs, bred heifers, horses, hair sheep, and goats.

The Judy's have developed a successful system to get into the grazing business by leasing land, employing high density grazing, and grazing other people's livestock. In 2001, Judy wrote a book titled, **No Risk Ranching: Custom Grazing on Leased Land,** which gives a complete breakdown of the methods they used to build their own operation from scratch. In 2008, he wrote a second book, **Comeback Farms: Rejuvenating Soils, Pastures, and Profits with Livestock Grazing Management.** In addition to "Introduction to Mob Grazing", Judy will discuss animal performance and multi-species grazing with cattle and sheep.

Registration begins at 8:30 a.m.; and costs $35 for the day and includes lunch. The conference flyer, a mail- in registration form and driving directions can be downloaded and printed from the Kansas Rural Center website at www.kansasruralcenter.org.

For more information contact Mary Howell at 785-292-4955, or (cell) 785-562-8726; or the KRC office at 785-873-3431 can help with registration questions.

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