

Drought Workshop Agenda
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A CSU Extension Range School, NRCS and USDA-Northern Plains Climate Hub Collaboration
10AM-3PM, Otero Junior College

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- 1. Welcome and Introductions (10:00-10:45)**
 - a. **Activity:** Pre-workshop self-evaluation and discuss rancher memories and strategies for coping with drought
- 2. Current impacts of drought for ranchers (10:45-12:30)**
 - a. Colorado Drought: Where are we now, where are we headed, and what you can do to help? | Becky Bolinger
 - b. Animal health during drought | McKenzie Harris
 - c. The drought “emergency room” strategies | Kerra Kertz
 - d. Q&A with speakers
- 3. Lunch**
- 4. Activity** Impacts and responses to drought on your ranch and share-out (1:00-1:30)
- 5. Longer-term planning for drought (1:30-2:30)**
 - a. Impacts of Drought on Groundwater and Water Quality | Blake Osborne
 - b. How grass grows: range management in drought | Bruce Fickenscher
 - c. Building flexibility in drought: flexible stocking and other tools | Hailey Wilmer
 - d. Adaptive management: goals, strategies and triggers | Dannele Peck
 - e. **Activity:** Setting goals, finding strategies, identifying decision-making triggers
- 6. Wrap up (2:30-3:00)**
 - a. Reflections discussion
 - b. Self-learning evaluation
 - c. Workshop evaluation

