



Grassland Restoration Forum

A WALKING TOUR OF THE STAVELY RESEARCH RANCH

Wednesday September 4th, 2024



Situated in the Porcupine Hills west of Staveley, Alberta, the Staveley Research Station is a unique and valuable demonstration of long-term effects of land management on grassland ecosystems in Alberta. Join Barry Adams, Rangeland Management Specialist – retired from Alberta Environment and Parks, for this day long, outdoor walk. Topics will include:

- ❖ The ecological context of the Foothills Parkland
- ❖ An introduction to the research of Dr. John Dormaar and Dr. Walter Willms
- ❖ The role of grasses in building soils and storing carbon
- ❖ The role of Staveley in the development of the Alberta Range Health Assessment
- ❖ Review of grazing history, plant community information and range health scoring
- ❖ The role of range health in the capture and storage of water in the watershed.

Please bring your own lunch. Lunch will not be provided, and the site is way up in the spectacular Porcupine Hills. Once we leave the vehicles, we won't be back until we leave the site so carry your lunch, fluids, cameras, and any extra clothes.

Registration \$80.00 per person for the day; \$20 for students

Register on-line at www.grasslandrestorationforum.ca. Contact Donna Watt at: corporate@shaw.ca or (403) 563-8925 for additional information. Meeting place details will be provided prior to the event. There is a \$40 administration fee for registration cancellations up to 48 hours in advance of an event. Sorry, no cancellations after that.

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