

## Society for Range Management

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Dr. Meredith Hay Provost 512 Administration Building University of Arizona Tucson, AZ 85721-0066

Dear Dr. Hay:

It is my pleasure to inform you that the Rangeland Ecology and Management program in the School of Natural Resources and the Environment at the University of Arizona is re-accredited by the Society for Range Management. The new period of accreditation extends from July 2010 through June 2020, at which time the academic program will need to be re-examined. Please convey my congratulations to the faculty, staff, students, and alumni of the University of Arizona for their exemplary academic program in Rangeland Ecology and Management.

With one-half of the world's land mass classified as rangeland, and with ever-growing societal demands and environmental challenges facing these lands, it is imperative that university programs provide students with the best knowledge and skills possible. Effectual range management education is needed to ensure that rangelands can continue to sustainably provide diverse natural resource products and ecological services, including clean air and water, open space, wildlife habitat, livestock forage, carbon sequestration, and more. The Society for Range Management has established stringent standards for accreditation, and re-accreditation is a strong vote of confidence in the ability of your academic program to effectively educate current and future students.

On behalf of the Society for Range Management, thank you for your steadfast pursuit of excellence in range management education. I wish you continued success in the future.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey C. Mosley

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President

cc: Dr. Eugene Sander, Dean, College of Agriculture and Life Sciences

Dr. Charles Hutchinson, Interim Director, School of Natural Resources and the Environment

Dr. George Ruyle, Program Leader, Rangeland and Forest Resources

Dr. Sherman Swanson, Chair, SRM Program Accreditation Committee

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