

## Agenda and Schedule

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An advanced course for  
experienced graziers who want  
to take their management  
practices to the next level.

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## Is Certified Grazier only for producers?

No! Our program is created for producers as well as those who would like to become AFGC Certified Forage and Grasslands Professionals or NRCS Technical Service Providers. TSPs are an important asset to producers who want to apply conservation practices on their land. In completing the Certified Grazier course, participants will be able to meet the first step in getting a TSP certification.



## What topics will be covered in the workshops?

- Vegetative management
- Animal management
- Conservation planning on grasslands
- Pasture condition assessment
- Economics of forage and grassland management
- Grassland soil management, soil quality, erosion control, and fertility management



🌿 **The nation behaves well if it treats the natural resources as assets which it must turn over to the next generation increased and not impaired in value.** 🌿

(Theodore Roosevelt; The New Nationalism, 1910)



## What will I experience in the Certified Grazier program?

- **Informational sessions** discuss different management strategies and how to apply them to participants' land.
- **Personalized sessions** provide in-depth information on specific topics that can be incorporated into producers' grazing plan.
- **Networking** gives participants the chance to discuss different strategies with producers and to develop a plan tailored to their resources and goals.
- **Practical experience** allows producers to see actual on-farm results of the management techniques.
- **Mentoring** works to build relationships between participants and experienced graziers as well as university and industry personnel to develop productive, cost-effective grazing systems.

