

An Update on IYRP Proclamation and Resolution Activities

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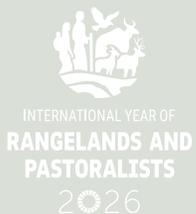


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Introduction

International year of Rangelands and Pastoralists creates a valuable opportunity to:

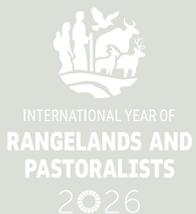
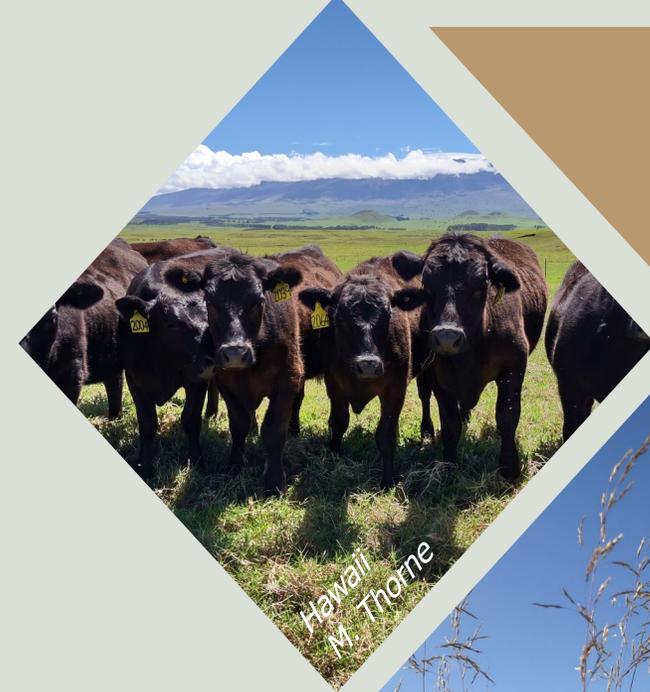
- Engage various audiences and raise their awareness about rangelands and pastoralism,
- Change local, regional, and national policies in favor of sustainable management of rangelands resources and protection of pastoral communities.



Introduction

IYRP messaging is focused around 12 themes and engages a variety of audiences through several communication channels.

Proclamations and Resolutions are two additional tools to directly engage and solicit action from government officials.



What are Proclamations and Resolutions?

- A **Proclamation** is “an official statement or announcement made by a person in power or by a government” (Britannica Dictionary). Generally, given by executive officials (governor, mayor, president, etc.).
- A **Resolution** is an official decision made after a group or organization has voted. It is a formal expression of opinion or intention passed by formal organizations, legislatures, clubs, or other groups. (Cambridge Dictionary). Generally, legislative bodies (town councils, state legislatures, etc.).



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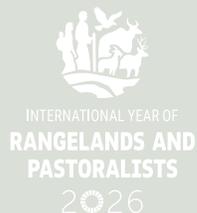
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Proclamation and Resolution Templates

- At the 2025 SRM annual meeting an IYRP proclamation/resolution template was announced and subsequently distributed widely through the IYRP website and other social media resources.
- The template concisely conveys key values of rangelands and pastoralism for society and is now available globally for translation and editing as necessary to meet local, regional, and national needs.
- They can be downloaded at: <https://iyrp.info/outreach-materials/front> under "Proclamations."

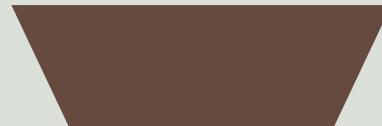
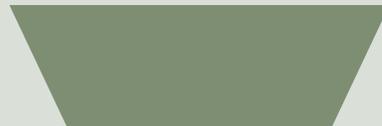
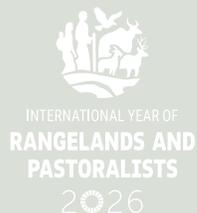


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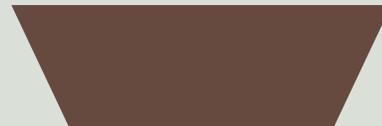
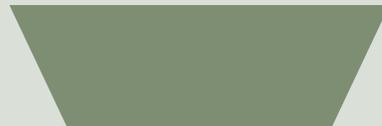
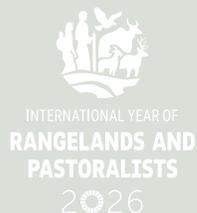
IYRP Resolutions and Proclamations in progress:

- Draft resolution to the US Congress (The SRM, Public Lands Council and NCBA - Jenna Stanton and Kaitlynn Glover);
- Resolution submitted to the Hawaii State Legislature (UH-Manoa CE/CalPac SRM, HCC – Mark Thorne);
- Draft Proclamation from the Governor of Hawaii in preparation (UH-Manoa CE/CalPac SRM, HCC – Mark Thorne);
- Arizona drafting a proclamation from the Governor (Arizona SRM - Barb Hutchinson);



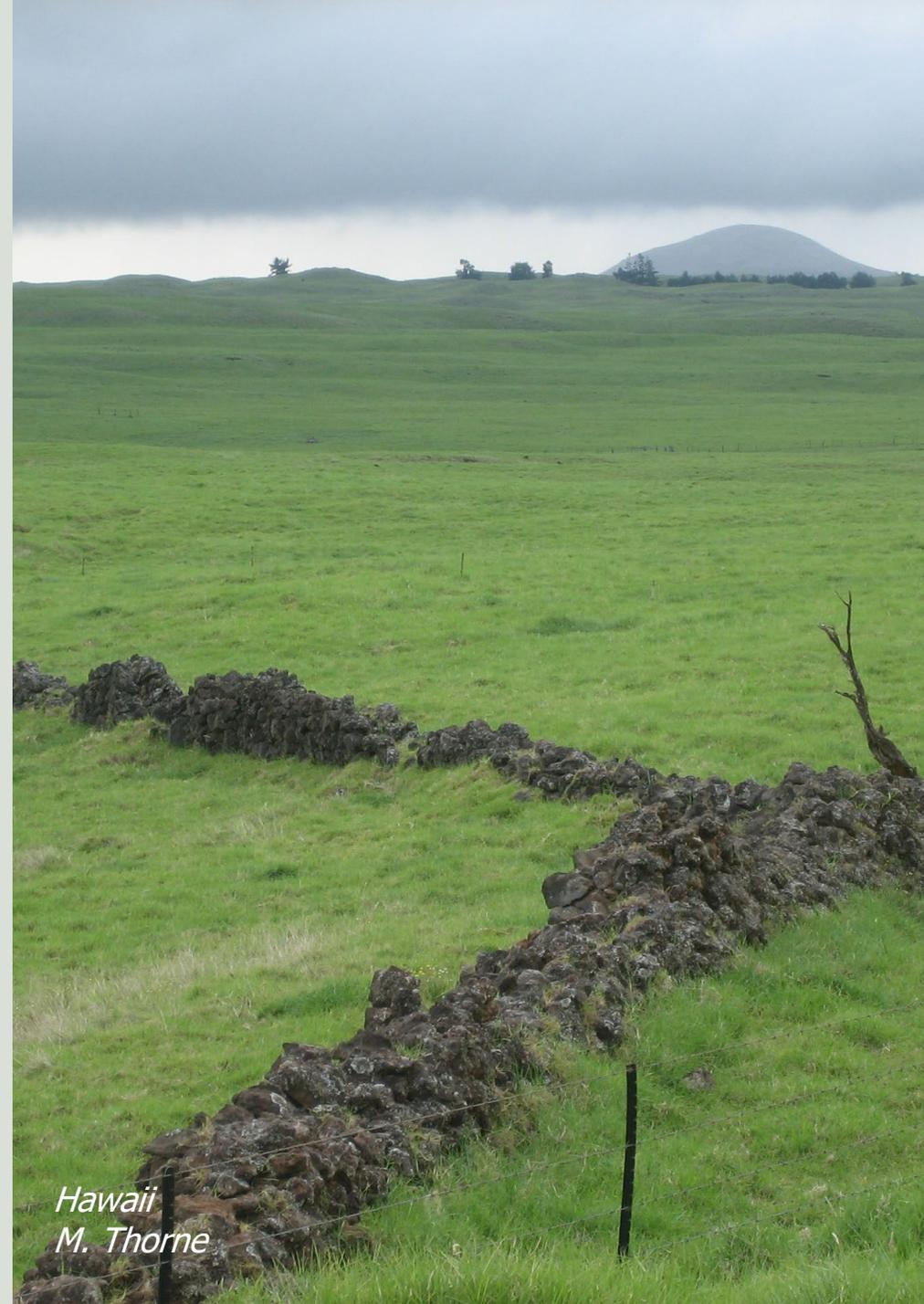
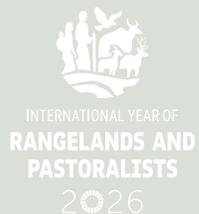
IYRP Resolutions and Proclamations in progress:

- A proclamation was submitted to the County Commissioners in Thruston County, WA (Stephen Bramwell);
- Wyoming working on a Proclamation (Wyoming SRM, Wyoming Stockgrowers - Bree Burton);
- California is working one or more resolutions (Theresa Becchetti?);
- Utah SRM working on Proclamation from Governor (Utah SRM, UDAF);
- Nebraska is working on one or more resolutions;
- Others?



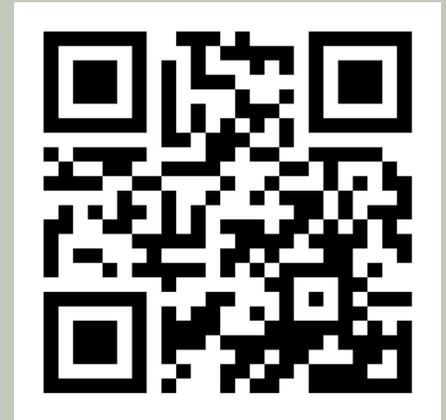
Questions and Discussion?

- Are there other proclamations Resolutions that were not mentioned?
- What can be done to encourage more resolutions/proclamations?
- Specific Examples?
- Resolution/Proclamation Database?
- Challenges?
- Other issues?



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