RENO 2-day workshop April 26-27, 2014.

***Holistic Management: Whole ranch/farm planning for Grazing, Water, Animals and Soils***

Course Goals? To improve large land areas by empowering actions by ranchers/farmers and aspiring land managers to attempt Holistic (whole-aware) Management and H-P grazing ASAP. By introducing a basic understanding of whole-awareness and the interrelation of water, soils, animals and grazing (processes and tools) we mean to effect both inspiration and access to further learning, as well as deliberate attempts to trial grazing tools where possible.

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| Day 1 Session A (1:A) | Orientation - Intro to Holistic Management - framework, history and use of approach… Whole Farm/Ranch planning… Scale of Permanence and Dynamic Design |
| 1:B | Understanding Ecosystem Processes – *water cycle, mineral cycle, community dynamics, energy flow, interactions…* reading the landscape – Brittleness Scale |
| 1:C | Pasture Walk – *Bullseye Monitoring* |
| 1:D | Understanding Wholes – Defining Your Whole Under Management – Generating a Holistic Goal/Context – Decision-Making |
| 2:A | Water & Soil Strategies for the Broadacre<br>Soil and soil building – *ingredients, elements, processes and strategies* |
| 2:B | *Holistic Planned-Grazing Essentials* --carrying capacity, stocking rate, stock density… animals in right place/time/reasons/densities… designing cells & fencing layouts, livestock water |
| 2:C | Animal Systems – small and large livestock, mixed grazing systems, adapting genetics to your land |
| 2:D | Silvo-Pastures – integrating perennial polycultures, forages, and managing pastures |