DATE: November 16, 2015

MEMO TO: All Panhandle District 1 County Extension Agents
4-H Program Assistants

SUBJECT: 2016 DISTRICT 1 Soil/Range/Grass Identification Contests

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CONTEST DATE: Thursday, April 21, 2016
Check In: 12:30 p.m.- 1:30 p.m.
CONTEST BEGINS:
Grass Identification Contest will begin at 1 p.m.
Soil Judging Contest will begin at 2 p.m.
Range Evaluation Contest will begin at 2 p.m.
Awards will be given immediately following contest completion.

CONTEST LOCATION: Mack Dick Pavilion, Palo Duro Canyon

REGISTRATION PROCEDURE: via 4-H Connect accessible at http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/
Registration will close April 7, 2016

AGENT CONTACT: Josh Brooks (806) 259-3015

ENTRY FEES: $10.00 per contestant.
No onsite registration - No Refunds
Scantron Forms Will NOT be used for these contests! Forms will be provided.

AWARDS: Awards will be given in the following categories:
High Team Junior     High Point Junior
2nd Team Junior      Reserve High Point Junior
3rd Team Junior      Third High Junior

High Team Intermediate     High Point Intermediate
2nd Team Intermediate  Reserve High Point Intermediate
3rd Team Intermediate  Third High Intermediate

High Team Senior     High Point Senior
2nd Team Senior      Reserve High Point Senior
3rd Team Senior      Third High Senior
AGE CATEGORIES:
Junior-Youth will be minimum age 8 as of August 31, 2015, and in the third grade, grades 3, 4 and 5
Intermediate-Grades 6, 7 and 8
Senior-Youth will be maximum age 18 as of August 31, 2015, grades 9, 10, 11 and 12

RESOURCES:
Forms are available at http://agrilifebookstore.org/
Range Judging Forms: RS 1.040, RS 1.041, RS 1.402
Grass ID Form: RS 1.403, Master Plant List: RS 1.404
Plant Mounts are available from the Range Club. These may be ordered from the TAMU Range Club, c/o Dr. Robert Knight, Department of Rangeland Ecology and Management, 2126 TAMU, Texas A&M University, College Station, Texas 77843-2126, by phone at (979) 845-5557, email at rknight@rlam.tamu.edu Entire grass sets or individual grass mounts can be purchased.
PLEASE NOTE

- CHECK OUT for all cabins is 11 a.m. CHECK OUT time for campers is 2 p.m. or renew permit by 9 a.m. (pending site availability).
- Public consumption or display of any alcoholic beverage is prohibited.
- A maximum of eight people permitted per campsite. Day use visitors must leave the park by 10 p.m. Quiet time is from 10 p.m. – 6 a.m.
- Excess parking fee is required at campsites with more than two vehicles (including trailers).
- Campsite must be kept clean; all trash must be picked up before you leave.
- GRAY WATER AND BLACK WATER MUST BE DISCHARGED ONLY AT DUMP STATIONS.
- Only one unit per site is permitted to hook up to utilities.
- Pets must be on 6-foot leash. You must pick up after them. No pets allowed in buildings.
- Valid permit is required on windshield of each vehicle in park.
- All vehicles are to remain on pavement.
- Horses prohibited in campgrounds and on roadways.
- Feeding wildlife is prohibited.
- Collection of plants, firewood and rocks is prohibited.

WARNING: Flash flooding conditions may exist at the six river crossings on Park Road.