

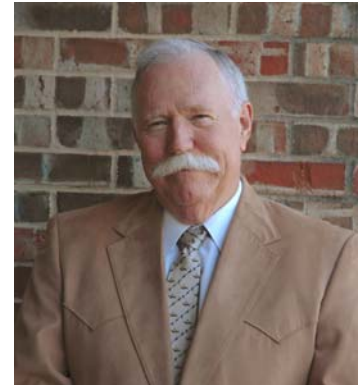


W R Chapline Land Stewardship Award

The **W R Chapline Land Stewardship Award** gives special recognition to members of the Society for *exceptional accomplishments and contributions in the application of the art and science* of range contributions in the application of the art and science of range management to specific to rangeland entities and to wildlife and domestic livestock on such lands.

Dr. Wayne Hanselka

During his 30-plus year tenure as an Extension Range Specialist, Dr. Wayne Hanselka has been responsible for planning, implementing, and evaluating range management educational programs in 37 South Texas Counties. The product of his efforts has been to obtain the ultimate but illusive goal of all Range professionals. Simply stated, he has made a difference; not only for Extension within his assigned counties, but also for rangeland owners and managers across Texas, the Southwest and Mexico, and most importantly for the valuable rangeland resources so important to everyone.



During his career Dr. Hanselka has written over 163 publications, made hundreds of presentations, and secured over \$1 million dollars in grants to support his programs. From 1996 to 2007 he served as the Associate Department Head and Extension Program Leader for Texas A&M University's Department of Ecosystem Science and Management. Dr. Hanselka has not confined his efforts to Texas. Over the years he has worked closely with Mexico in their efforts to reorganize the Mexico Chapter of the Society for Range Management and to create a future Agriculture Extension Service in the State of Tamaulipas.

Dr. Hanselka's innovative leadership and programs; integrating county-based needs with regional, state, national and international efforts, have resulted in the improved ecological health and productivity of Texas rangelands and rangeland throughout the Southwest and Mexico. The resulting products for all include an improved quantity and quality of water from rangeland watersheds, enhanced wildlife habitat and more efficient livestock production systems.

Because he has “made a difference” for rangelands and the people that manage them; throughout Texas, the southwest, and Mexico; the Society for Range Management is proud to present Dr. Wayne Hanselka with the W. R. Chapline Land Stewardship Award.

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