

**Second Western Regional Rangelands AgNIC Workshop
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Summary Workshop Report

Representatives from 13 western land-grant universities, as well as the National Agricultural Library, WCARET, the Noble Foundation, and NRCS, gathered in Tucson March 20-21, 2003 to attend the second Western Rangelands Partnership meeting and workshop. This Partnership began in 2002 to bring regional and state-specific rangelands information, resources, and decision-making tools to the web under the umbrella of the Agriculture Network Information Center (AgNIC).

Organized and facilitated by the multi-disciplinary UA AgNIC rangelands team, the two-day event focused initially on state progress reports and reports on national AgNIC activities, including plans for instituting web services and portal technology. Also provided was a brief overview of the **E-Extension** initiative. This was followed by brainstorming and discussion sessions on the issues of content development, resources needed, and organizing options.

Results of these sessions provided the basis for an action plan covering content development, technical/peer review, sustainability strategies, and funding opportunities. In addition, a workshop was held giving all participants hands-on experience with adding metadata to the regional web site database. Lastly, the Partnership solicited input to be sure the appropriate people at all western land-grant universities were being made aware of the opportunity to join this voluntary effort.