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Re: Support for the request from the Government of Mongolia for an International Year of Rangelands and Pastoralists (IYRP)

Your Excellency,

The National Grazing Lands Coalition (NatGLC) would like to express our support for the Government of Mongolia's request for an International Year of Rangelands and Pastoralists (IYRP). Since 1991, the NatGLC has supported education and awareness of the benefits of good grazing land/rangeland management. The IYRP will serve to raise awareness about the multiple benefits of these lands and what they contribute to the global environment and economies, as well as call attention to the challenges and threats facing rangeland sustainability.

We understand the Society for Range Management (SRM) has assembled a Task Force charged with working to gain support for the Mongolian proposal and has volunteered to serve as the point of contact for North America. The NatGLC will gladly work with the SRM to accomplish these objectives, and will lend support to these efforts.

Thank you for the opportunity to express our support of the International Year of Rangelands and Pastoralists.

Respectfully,

Chad Ellis
Chair, National Grazing Lands Coalition

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