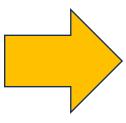
### HerdManager: Best Practices





### Why we organize.

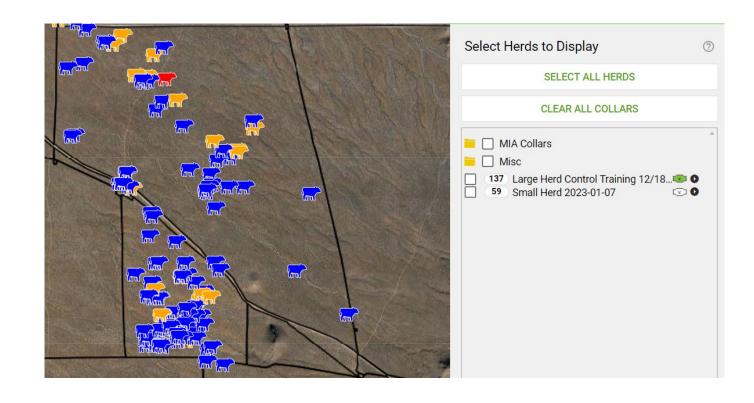
- Return on investment is contingent on immediate implementation.
- Desire to see the benefits of VF on grazing management



- 1. Focus on animals we can actively manage
- 2. Identify and locate missing collars
- **3. Remove obstacles** limiting VF use in a ranching operation

### Preface for organizing your herd

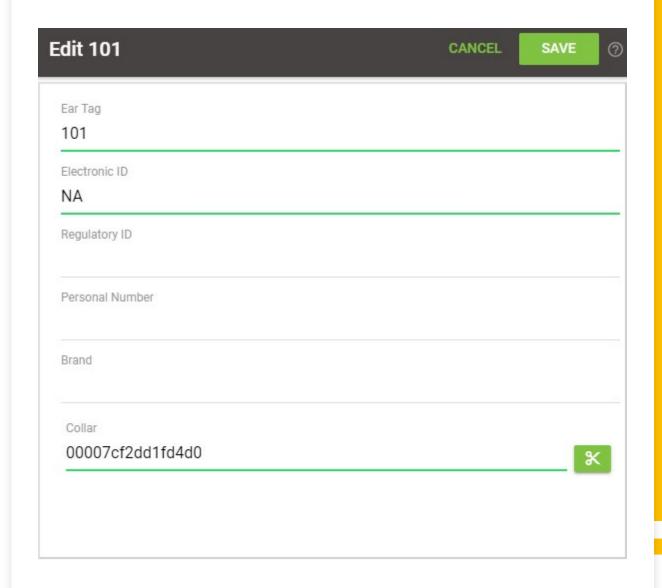
- Herdmanager organizes virtual herds by <u>collar</u> not the <u>animal</u>
- Virtual herds are managed by virtual fences



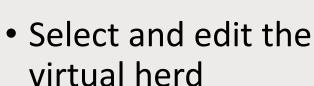
# Managing collar changes to a herd.

Updating Eartags and EIDs after the initial upload requires manual changes per collar.

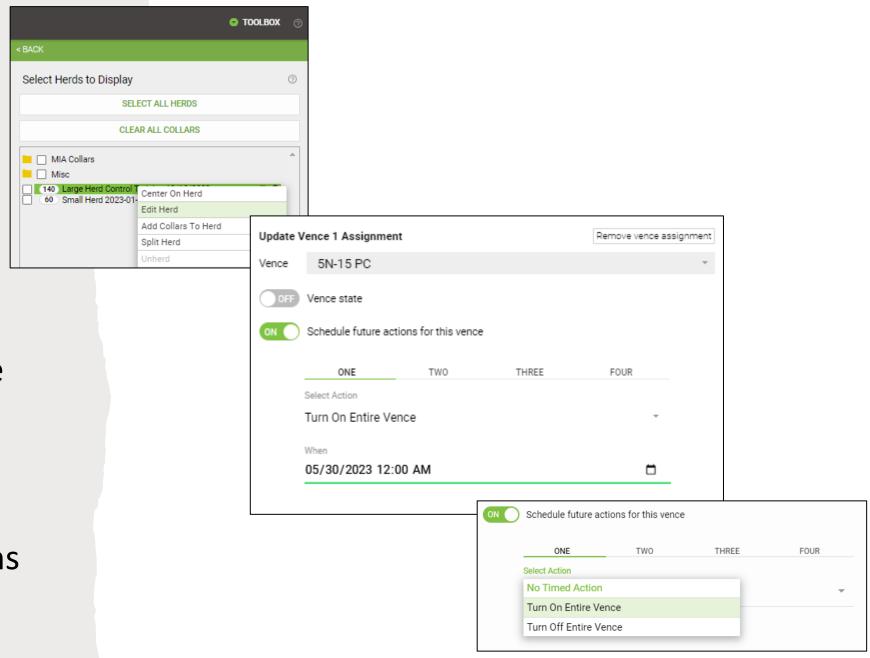
This is difficult to manage with out external documentation animals related info.



## How: In Practice



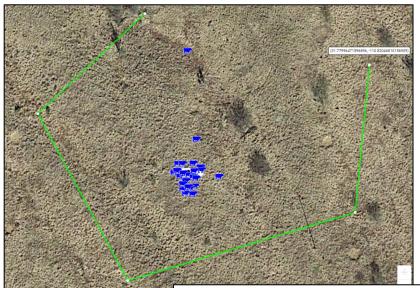
- 16 fencing slots available
- 4 scheduled actions

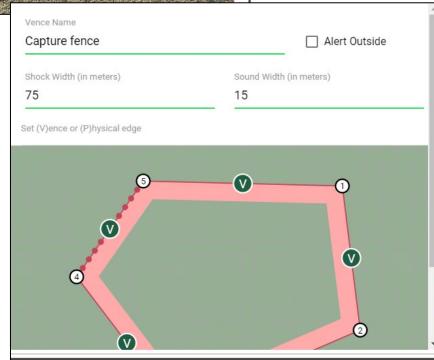


#### Making a Virtual Fence

- 3 steps
  - Virtual fence Type
  - Delineating the fence
  - Assigning management boundaries





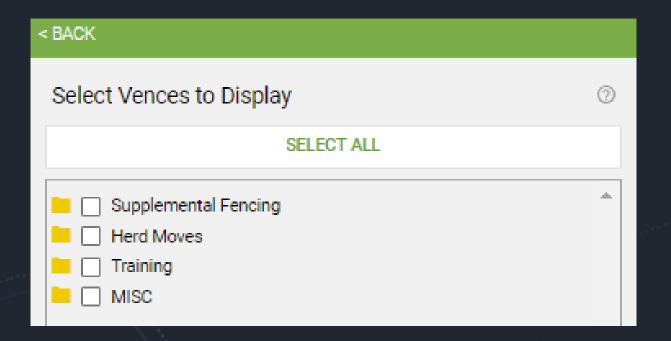




Vence	Assignment	State	% Up to Date	Actions
1	SRER Workshop Example 1	((1))	76%	Edit Remove Assignment
2	SRER Workshop exp 2	((1))	70%	Edit Remove Assignment
3	Empty	((d))	86%	Edit

#### How: Considerations

- Every update to a virtual herd requires time.
- Larger the herd longer he period of time.
- Goal: Shorten the number of updates to streamline use

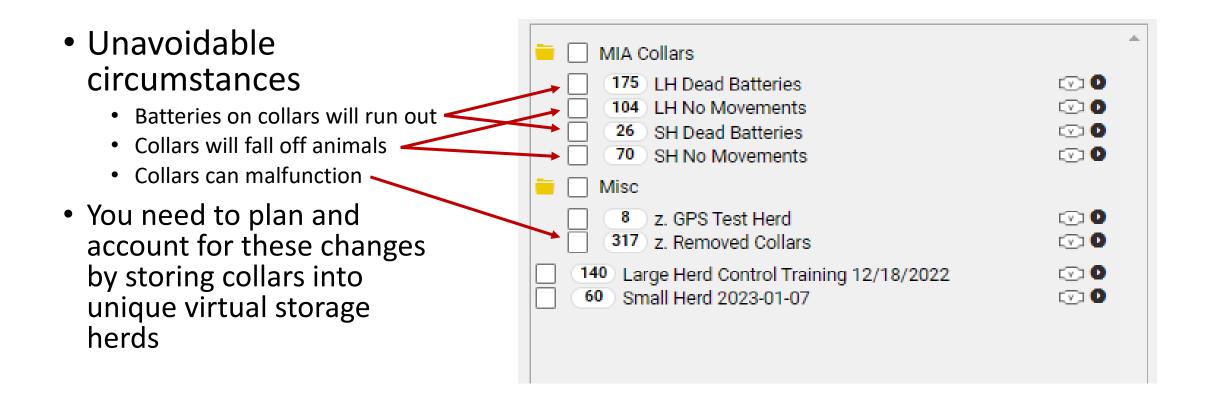


# Fence Organization: Why?

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- Organizing fencing allow for quick virtual fence assignment.
- Fences can be organized by pasture and by how they're used.

#### Organizing herds



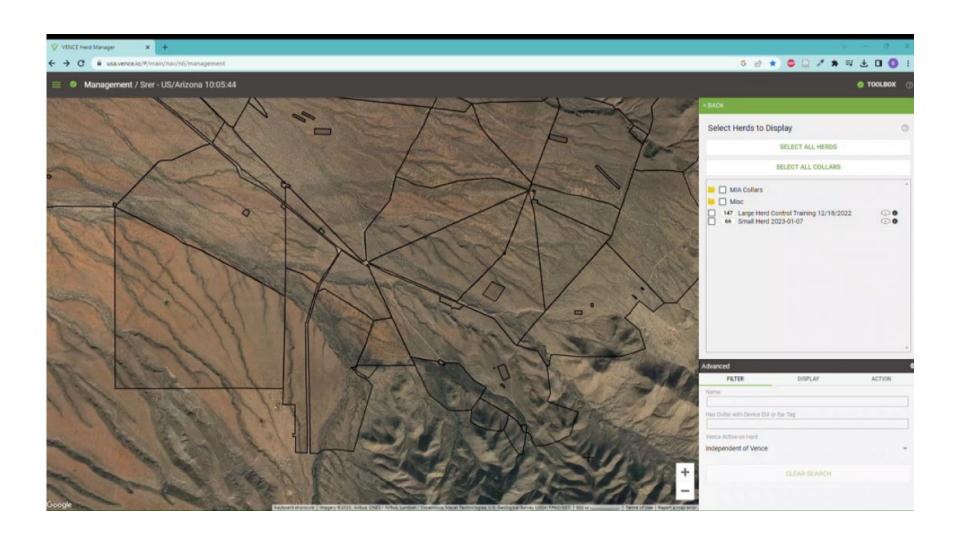
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Created ↑	Туре	Alert	Herd <del>▽</del>
01/08/2023, 22:04:21	No Movement	The collar 00007cf2dd1ffab4 does not appear to have moved in 24 hours	Large Herd Control Training 12/18/2022
01/08/2023, 21:19:55	Critical Battery	Collar 00007cf2dd2017f8 has a critically low battery. Sound and shock have been dis	Large Herd Control Training 12/18/2022
31/07/2023, 19:17:41	Low Battery	Collar 00007cf2dd2017f8 has a low battery.	Large Herd Control Training 12/18/2022
30/07/2023, 19:16:41	Critical Battery	Collar 00007cf2dd201b34 has a critically low battery. Sound and shock have been di	Large Herd Control Training 12/18/2022
26/07/2023, 14:13:18	Shock Disabled	Collar 00007cf2dd203295 has automatically updated. Sound and shock have been di	Large Herd Control Training 12/18/2022
25/07/2023, 08:42:32	Critical Battery	Collar 00007cf2dd203295 has a critically low battery. Sound and shock have been di	Large Herd Control Training 12/18/2022

# How do we know what's going on with collars?

- Updates on collar state and changes to that state are transmitted from collars
- No Movement alerts are not always reliable

#### Tips for organization: Dead Batteries and No Movements









# Tips For Organization: Broken Collars

- Collars can malfunction due to water damage, wear, or old age.
- Keeping track of these allows you to request replacements and keep unassigned collars separate.

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