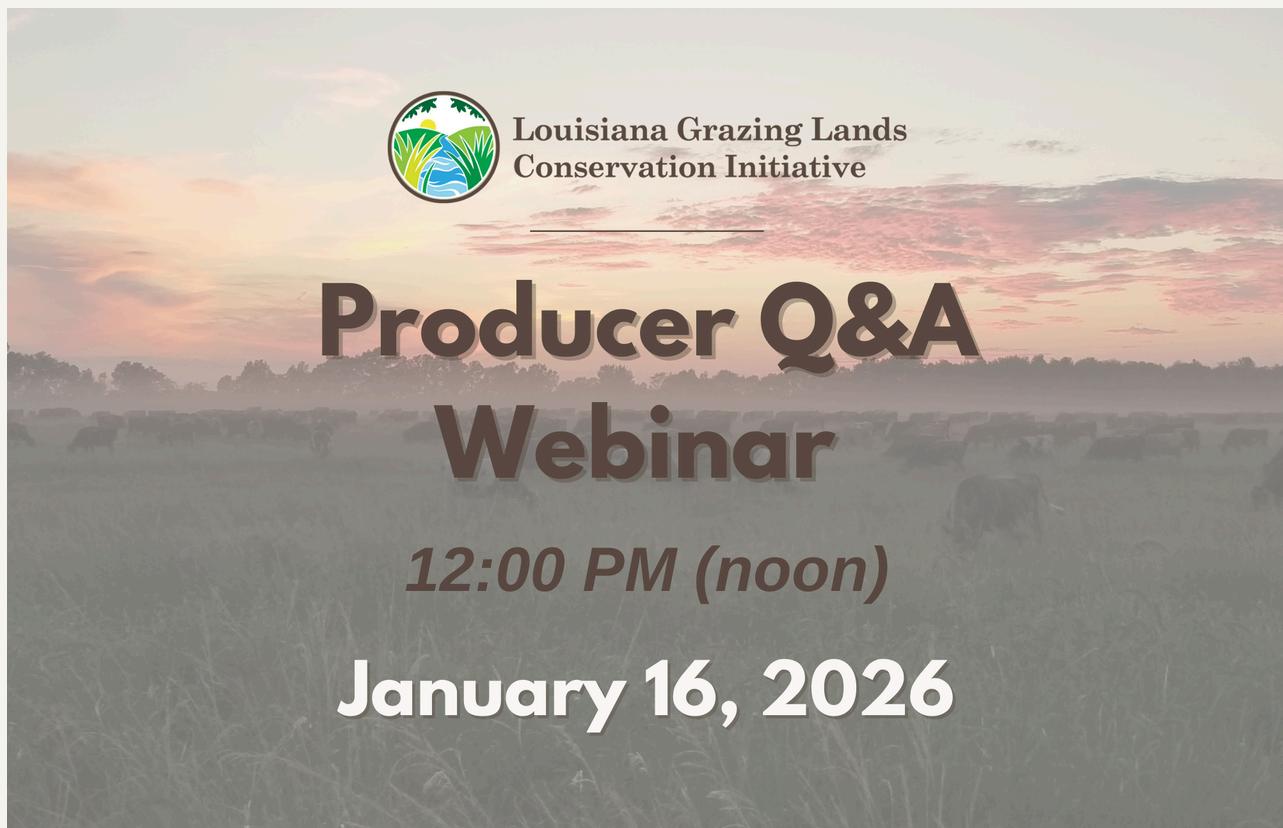




## Happy New Year from LGLCI!

We're excited for all the new events and educational resources that 2026 will bring! There are already two events planned for January - read below for more details. As we continue planning for the year, if there is any subject you'd like us to cover, just respond to this email to let us know.

### Producer Panel Q&A Webinar



To continue the discussion from our Producer Panel at the Forage Conference, we're hosting a Q&A Webinar January 16 from noon-1:00. RSVP today and the meeting link will be sent to you. We'll be discussing how 3 different scales of farms manage their grazing intensively.

**This webinar is free to attend**, and you did not have to attend the Forage Conference in order to attend this webinar. Come join the discussion by hitting the below RSVP button.

[RSVP for Jan 16th Webinar](#)

## Noble Business of Grazing



**Business of Grazing**

**CREATE A GRAZING PLAN  
ALIGNED WITH YOUR GOALS**

Create grazing schedules that can adapt to changing weather and market trends, helping you keep your production sustainable and your profits up.

**Jan. 21-23**  
Bossier City, LA

**Louisiana Grazing Lands Conservation Initiative**

Tickets are almost sold out for the Business of Grazing in Bossier City, LA January 21-23. The intensive three-day Business of Grazing course, taught by Noble Research Institute and hosted by Louisiana GLCI, will help you **learn how to increase the profitability of your farm and leave the land better than you found it.**

This course is **limited to only 35 participants**, so don't wait to register. Registration is \$295, which includes 3 full days of instruction and lunch. This course will be focused on classroom time, with some in-field work.

More Info on Business of Grazing

## Upcoming LGLCI Events

**Jan 16:** Producer Panel Q&A Zoom Webinar | 12 noon - 1 pm

**Jan 21-23:** Noble Business of Grazing 3 day course | Bossier, LA

**Dec 4, 2026:** LGLCI/LFGC Annual Forage Conference | Alexandria

More info and registration for all events at [LouisianaGLCI.org/Events](http://LouisianaGLCI.org/Events)

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*\*Sponsorships available for all events*

## Miller Cattle Company: Doing What Works For Them in Northeast Louisiana



## **MILLER CATTLE COMPANY: DOING WHAT WORKS FOR THEM IN NORTHEAST LOUISIANA**



Check out one of the new videos on our YouTube channel!

Bubba Miller is a self-taught and capable handyman. He and his wife, Amy, have built Miller Cattle Company from scratch throughout the last 10 years in Northeast LA, clearing some wooded hilly land and reclaiming it as pasture for their beef cattle and hair sheep.

Learn from Bubba and Amy as they share their experience with regeneratively raising cattle and sheep. This video contains information on their electric fence setup, grazing strategy, and why they unroll hay. Also featured are Bubba's homemade livestock guardian dog feeder, mobile mineral trough, and hay unroller.

[Watch the Video](#)

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### **IMPORTANT NRCS and GRANT Updates**

## NRCS 2026 DEADLINE: Jan 15th

NRCS programs, particularly EQIP, are very helpful cost-sharing reimbursement grants that help farmers and ranchers add ecologically-helpful infrastructure to their farms that they own or operate.

If you are AT ALL interested, you must fill out a simple 3 page application form by Jan. 15th. Drop the [application](#) off to [your regional office](#).

## **VIRTUAL FENCE has been approved as cost-share practice in Louisiana!**

Details are coming from NRCS, but we have received only verbal confirmation that virtual fence is very recently approved as a cost-share practice in Louisiana NRCS programs going forward.

## **Value Added Producer Grants (VAPG Federal Grants) Open Jan 15-April 15**

VAPG is a USDA program that helps independent agricultural producers develop value-added products, create new markets, and increase income by funding business planning and working capital for processing, marketing, and food safety certification, transforming raw commodities into higher-value goods like jams, biodiesel, or unique branded products. In grazing operations, this could look like addition of direct sales, expansion of a farm-to-table business, and many more things. It's a complicated process to apply. RAFI has a very [helpful guide to the application process](#).

## **Upcoming External Events:**

- [Louisiana Agricultural Outlook Forum](#) | Alexandria, LA | 8:30-2:30 | Jan. 22 | [RSVP](#)
- [LA Native Plant Society Annual Conference](#) | Eunice, LA | March 6-8
- [LSU AgCenter Hay Day](#) | Coushatta, LA | June 11

## **2025 Louisiana Forage Conference Presentations**



**2025 Louisiana Forage Conference**  
Updated today  
[View full playlist](#)

All of the speaker presentations from the 2025 Forage Conference are now available to watch on our [YouTube channel](#)!



# EDUCATION LINKS

Hope you are doing lots of planning and honing this January! It's a good time to WOTB (Work On The Business) when the days are cold and rainy.

We're glad to welcome 3 new board members this month- Ranell Tims from Ragley (Central LA), Stacy Taylor from Lechute (Northwest), and David LaMay from the Homer, LA area (Northwest). Our board is made of 12 voting farmer/rancher members: 10 from each area of the state, and 2 at-large. Additionally, advisors and committee members help us to "WOTB" as you may say.

I will be stepping back into the education director role in April, leaving a space for an executive director to be hired. Our organization has grown in executive needs and educational efforts, which will best be suited with more staff capacity. Watch for a job listing on our blog and social media soon.



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## Get Involved with Louisiana GLCI

*We are a producer-led and producer-focused 501(c)(3) non-profit that promotes, inspires, and teaches conservation-focused and profitable grazing practices across Louisiana through farmer-to-farmer education and networking.*

You can become involved by being a financial supporter or event sponsor, an education provider, a volunteer, or just spreading the word about our events and education.

See more at the [Get involved](#) section on the website.

Tara Morris, Executive Director 225-721-1313

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If you ever find good resources to share, feel free to send them our way!

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