## CONSTITUTION OF THE

#### NEVADA SECTION

SOCIETY FOR RANGE MANAGEMENT

AS AMENDED JUNE 1957, JANUARY 1964, JANUARY 1986, JANUARY 1990 OCTOBER 1991, NOVEMBER 1992

## ARTICLE I: NAME

Section 1. This organization shall be known as the Nevada Section, Society For Range Management.

## ARTICLE II: OBJECTIVES

Section 1. The objectives of the Section shall be to foster advancement in the science and art of grazing land management, to promote progress in the conservation and greatest sustained use of forage and soil resources, to stimulate discussion and understanding of scientific and practical range and pasture problems, to provide a medium for the exchange of ideas and facts among Section members and with allied technologists, and to encourage professional improvement of its members.

## ARTICLE III: MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. Section membership shall consist of Society for Range Management (SRM) members who reside in Nevada or elsewhere and request membership in the Nevada Section. Section members outside the state will be considered as residing within the Nevada Section Zone nearest to their actual place of residence.

## ARTICLE IV: OFFICERS

Section 1. The officers of the Section shall be a President, President-Elect, Secretary, Treasurer and Executive Vice-President.

Section 2. The officers shall be elected or appointed from the members of the Section as provided in Article VII.

Section 3. Terms of office shall begin at the close of the annual meeting of the Society For Range Management (SRM), and shall be for one year to the close of the next consecutive SRM annual meeting. Section 4. The President and President-Elect shall serve terms of one year with the President-Elect succeeding to the presidency following a one year term.

Section 5. The Secretary and Treasurer shall serve for a one year term. The Executive Vice-President shall serve for a five year term.

#### ARTICLE V: COUNCIL

Section 1. The Section shall be governed by a Council whose members shall also be the Board of Trustees of the Nevada Section Society for Range Management, Incorporated, and elected as such at each annual meeting of the Corporation.

Section 2. Members of the Council shall be the President, the President-Elect, the Immediate Past President, the Executive Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, seven Zone Councilmen, and the President of the University of Nevada-Reno SRM Student Chapter.

Section 3. Four (4) or more members of the Council shall constitute a quorum at duly called meetings which shall be held at least annually.

## ARTICLE VI: ZONE COUNCIL MEMBERS

Section 1. The Section shall be divided into seven (7) geographical zones with each zone represented by a council member elected from Nevada Section SRM membership.

Section 2. The term of office for Zone Council members shall be two (2) years.

Section 3. The term of office shall begin at the close of the next annual meeting of the Society for Range Management (SRM) following election and shall end at the close of the SRM annual meeting two years later.

Section 4. Election of council members from Zones I, III, and IV shall be held late in odd numbered years for terms to begin in even numbered years and Council members from Zones II, V, VI, and VII late in even numbered years for terms to begin in odd numbered years.

## ARTICLE VII: EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT

Section 1. The Executive Vice President will be directly responsible to the President and is subject to the control of the council. When the President is absent or has to leave the duties as President for any reason, the Executive Vice President will assist the President Elect in performing duties of the President.

Section 2. The term of the Executive Vice President will be 5 years with a yearly review and confirmation by the Council at the winter Section Meeting.

# ARTICLE VIII: ELECTION AND APPOINTMENT OF OFFICERS, ZONE COUNCIL MEMBERS AND EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT

Section 1. The President-Elect and Zone Council Members shall be elected by a majority vote of the membership. Two candidates for each position to be voted upon shall be selected from nomination by the Section membership. A nominating committee, appointed by the President, shall select the candidates; conduct an election by mail ballot; receive and count the votes; give the count certified correct by the Secretary; and report results at the Section annual meeting.

Section 2. Zone Council Members shall not be eligible for re-election or appointment to the same council position until at least one term has elapsed following their completion of a full two year term.

Section 3. The Secretary and Treasurer shall be appointed by the President, subject to confirmation by the Council, and may be reappointed to successive terms.

Section 4. The Executive Vice President shall be appointed by the Section President and approved by 2/3 majority of the Council present at that meeting.

Section 5. Vacancy in an unexpired term of the President shall be filled by action of the Council. In the event of appointment of the President-Elect to the position of President, the position of President-Elect shall remain open until the next regular election.

Section 6. Vacancy in an unexpired term of a Zone Council Member shall be filled by appointment of the President with approval of the Council. A Council Member selected shall be an active Nevada Section SRM member considered to reside in the Zone.

Section 7. The Board of Trustees/Council shall confirm the election or appointment of all officers.

#### ARTICLE IX: MEETINGS

Section 1. A meeting of the Nevada Section for presentation and discussion of professional papers and for professional intercourse shall be held annually at such time and place as the Council may determine. Notices of such meetings, including the tentative program, shall be announced to the membership at least 30 days in advance of the meeting. Regular business meetings of the Section shall be held in connection with the annual meeting.

Section 2. The members in attendance at a regularly called meeting shall have the authority to transact the business of the Section.

#### ARTICLE X: PUBLICATIONS

Section 1. The publication and papers of the Section shall be issued in such a manner as the Council may direct.

Section 2. Publications of the Section shall conform to the principles, policies and objectives of the Society.

#### ARTICLE XI: AMENDMENTS

Section 1. Proposed amendments to the Constitution shall be submitted to all members. The Constitution may be amended by a two-thirds affirmative vote of the members voting.

Section 2. Amendments may be proposed at any business meeting of the Section, providing they are submitted in writing and bear the written endorsement of at least ten (10) members. Such proposed amendments shall be voted upon at that meeting. Adoption shall be by a two-thirds affirmative vote of the members voting, or may be referred to the entire membership for two-thirds affirmative vote of the members voting by letter-ballot.