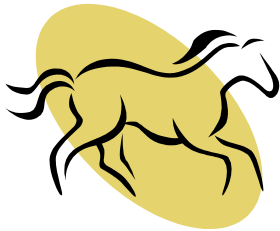


What are Small Acreage Management Issues?

- Pasture Management
- Weed control
- Horses
- Soil fertility
- Manure management
- Poisonous Plants
- Water rights
- Irrigation methods
- Water quality
- Fire defense
- Fencing
- Wetlands and ponds
- Windbreaks
- Good neighbor issues



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2010 Small Acreage Management Volunteer Program



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What is a Small Acreage Management (SAM) Volunteer?

SAM volunteers are volunteer staff members of Colorado State University Extension. After completing in-depth training, they help the public with SAM issues by providing information and recommendations based on current research.

Why the need?

CSU Extension in Boulder County has one agent to assist over 5,000 small acreage owners in Boulder County.



Many are unfamiliar with management strategies beyond those used in suburban settings. Helping these clients make good SAM decisions positively impacts over 37,000 acres in Boulder County.

How do I become a SAM volunteer?

Anyone 18 years old or older can apply. Applicants are selected through a screening and interview process. It is desirable that applicants have previous knowledge and local experience in SAM. Each trainee must attend all training sessions.

What training is provided?

Volunteers receive approximately 24 hours of SAM training from CSU and other public agency specialists. Classroom session will cover weed management, pasture management, equine management, and fire defensible zones. A resource notebook, CD, snacks, and lunch are provided.



What is the cost?

The **training fee of \$95** covers the cost of the training (\$60 for training and \$35 for “Weeds of the West”). In return for the training, SAM volunteers are required to **return 24 hours** of time to the SAM program. First year volunteers will answer questions left by clients on a voice mail server. Adept volunteers and those returning beyond the 24 hours will have advanced options at the discretion of the Extension Agent/ Program Coordinator:

Weed ID – Identifying samples and making management recommendations

Writing – articles for the SAM e-newsletters published quarterly

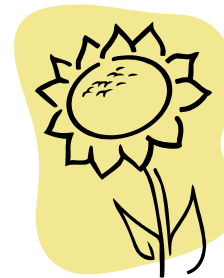
Assisting with Special events

When is the training?

Training to occur March 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, 2010 Clover Bldg. 9595 Nelson Rd., Longmont, time 8:30 am to 3:30pm.

Continuing Education

Each year SAM volunteers returning to the program are required to attend the final day of the annual training (free) and participate in continuing education (CE) opportunities offered through the Extension office in Boulder County. Fees for CE opportunities may be covered by the Extension office. Choose one CE opportunity to fulfill this annual requirement.



How to apply

Applications will be available online or at the Extension Office. Request or download an application from the following sources or send hard copy:

Boulder County SAM Program
Boulder County Extension Office
9595 Nelson Road, Box B
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303-678-6238
www.extension.colostate.edu/boulder/AG/smallacreage.shtml

- **Enrollment is limited to 12**
- **Note deadline on application**

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