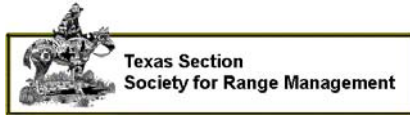


OUTSTANDING RANGELAND MANAGEMENT (ORM) -



## Outstanding Rangeland Management Award

The purpose of this award is to recognize those who have demonstrated outstanding skill and knowledge in practicing sound management and care of rangeland resources. *This is a competitive award and only one will be given each year.* This award is linked to the ranch. Once a ranch has received the award, it is not eligible to receive it again. If more than one ranch is owned and/or operated by the same person, each ranch is eligible.

Nominations shall be made by persons who are well acquainted with the ranching and range management practices of the nominee. Nominations may be made by members of TSSRM or by non-members. All nominations have concurrence by two members of TSSRM who agree that the nominee is truly deserving of this recognition.

The nomination form outlines the information required.

*Incomplete forms may be returned to nominator.*

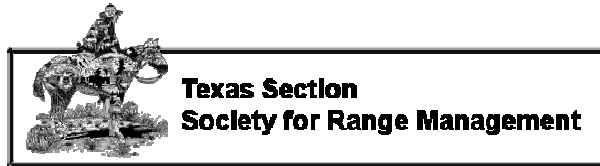
The ORM Committee will appraise the nominations and select those that meet the standards for outstanding rangeland management. The committee will select the most qualified and coordinate field visits to the ranches.

The ORM Committee will announce the winner of the ORM Award during the Annual evening TSSRM Awards Banquet. If audio/visual equipment (A/V) is available for use at the banquet, a PowerPoint presentation of the winning nomination will be shown. In the absence of A/V, a citation of the winning nomination will be read.

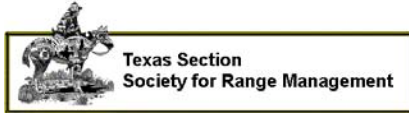
Nominators should submit an article to the hometown paper(s) to recognize winners locally. A photo of the winners will be sent to the nominee to go with the article.

The Texas Section will provide certificates and gate signs to recipients at the annual meeting. It is strongly encouraged that the nominators arrange for the recipients to be present at the annual meeting to receive the recognition.

**Mail completed nominations by June 1<sup>st</sup>, to the ORM Committee Chair.**



OUTSTANDING RANGELAND MANAGEMENT (ORM) - *continued*



# Outstanding Rangeland Management Award

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Nominee(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Address/Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Ranch Location (include driving directions from nearest town): \_\_\_\_\_

## Requirements for Nomination:

1. Nominee must have owned or operated the ranch for at least five years and been responsible for making rangeland management decisions.

**Number of years owned or operated:** \_\_\_\_\_

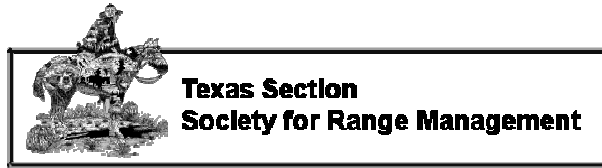
2. A significant part of the land on the farm or ranch must be rangeland (in East Texas, grazable woodland).

\_\_\_\_\_ Acres Rangeland                      \_\_\_\_\_ Acres Grazable Woodland                      \_\_\_\_\_ Acres Other

\_\_\_\_\_ Acres Tame Pastureland                      \_\_\_\_\_ Acres Cropland

\_\_\_\_\_ **Acres Total**

3. On separate pages thoroughly describe the nominees rangeland management and why they are deserving of special recognition. Items listed below should be discussed (be specific).
  - a) Describe improvements which have been made in range condition, range trend, livestock performance, wildlife quality, water quality, etc. as a result of rangeland management (be specific).
  - b) Describe in detail rangeland management practices which are used to help meet ranch goals such as; proper stocking rates, grazing systems, water development, brush management, range seeding, prescribed burning, wildlife management, etc.
  - c) Describe specifically how nominee plans for and deals with drought. Provide examples.
  - d) Describe nominees skills in and knowledge of grazing management, plants, livestock, wildlife, etc.
  - e) Describe the livestock, wildlife or other enterprises which are used to harvest and market the rangeland resources.
  - f) Describe other activities or awards related to rangeland including how the nominee promotes sound rangeland management.
  - g) Have rancher write a brief narrative describing the goals and objectives for the ranch or farm and any unique or interesting rangeland management philosophies.
4. Furnish 5-10 slides which show representative rangeland, rangeland management, livestock or wildlife. Nominee should be clearly shown in one or more slides. Slides will be used in awards ceremony if nominee is selected. Slides will be returned. Slides are not required at the same time as the narrative.
5. Nominator agrees to make the recipient feel welcome at the annual meeting. If the recipient is unable to attend the annual meeting, the nominee agrees to arrange for a suitable local presentation.
6. Nomination may be made by a non-TSSRM member. Nomination must be concurred by two TSSRM members with signatures below.



**OUTSTANDING RANGELAND MANAGEMENT (ORM) - *continued***



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**Nominator:** by signing below, I acknowledge that I have included all required information, including necessary attachments, for proper consideration of this nomination packet. I recognize that the ORM Committee may/may not consider an incomplete packet for this award(at their discretion).

Nominator \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

**Nomination Concurred by Two TSSRM Members**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

**Mail, or email, completed nominations by June 1 to:**

**TSSRM ORM Committee Chair**

**See online TSSRM Officers, Directors, and Committee Chairs**

**<http://texas.rangelands.org/committees.htm>**