

# 2026 Nebraska Wildfire Resources

## Monetary donation options:

### **Nebraska Cattlemen Disaster Relief Fund:**

Mail donations to:

4611 Cattle Drive

Lincoln, NE 68521

Online: <https://www.nebraskacattlemen.org/disaster-relief-fund>

Wildfire resource page: [www.nebraskacattlemen.org/wildfire-resources](http://www.nebraskacattlemen.org/wildfire-resources)

Questions / coordination: [disasterrelief@necattlemen.org](mailto:disasterrelief@necattlemen.org)

### **Nebraska Sandhills Rancher Fire Relief Fund:**

Donate online:

[https://kearneyfoundation.fcsuite.com/erp/donate/create/fund?funit\\_id=3211](https://kearneyfoundation.fcsuite.com/erp/donate/create/fund?funit_id=3211)

Phone: 308-778-6262

### **In Person:**

Ogallala Ag Supply, Ogallala Livestock Auction Market, Ranch Supply, Heartland Lumber, Broadwater Country Store

To receive a tax donation receipt- checks must be made out to America's Lifeline Emergency Response Team Foundation

### **Online:**

**Text to Give:** NERISES to 53-555.

## State coordination for needs and donations:

The **Nebraska Department of Agriculture** is serving as a central hub to match needs with available resources. Producers needing assistance — hay, feed, fencing materials, equipment, volunteer help — are asked to call:

**1-800-831-0550**

Those willing to donate supplies should also call this number to help NDA coordinate logistics statewide. Additional disaster resource information is available here:

<https://nda.nebraska.gov/disasterresources>

## Feed assistance coordination:

Garden County Extension Office is helping connect fire-affected producers with livestock feed resources:

(308) 772-3311  
611 Main St., Oshkosh

**Supply drop locations and logistics coordination:**

Hay donations are being coordinated through **Paul Cleveland (308-726-5652)**. Current drop locations include:

- **Bridgeport:** Kraupie Northport Lot — hay & fencing  
Contact Del Ray Kraupie (308-279-1692)
- **Arthur:** Crusty's Feed Store  
Contact Jason (308-764-7090)
- **Oshkosh:**  
Hay — Oshkosh Truck Shop (Kirk Schoeneman 308-241-0809)  
Fencing — Oshkosh Lumber (Jordan Russell 308-458-7470)
- **Hyannis:** Grant County Fairgrounds — hay & fencing  
Contact Wyatt Thurston (682-262-0942)

**Locations for hay or equipment donations for the Cottonwood Fire --**

- ProMix - Gothenburg, Tyler (660-342-5457)
- Maline Seed & Fence - Gothenburg, Shane (308-529-0781)
- Miller Repair – Maxwell, Ivan Miller (308-530-0502)

Cash donations go to Flatwater Bank, Luke Ricketson (308-537-7181)

**Hay/Fencing and Livestock Supplies:**

Currently hay, fencing and livestock donations are being accepted at Ogallala Ag Supply 1210 North Hwy 61, Ogallala, NE. Please contact Patti Barnt at 308 280 0025 before bringing semi loads or loads needing equipment to unload. We want to ensure equipment and personnel are available to unload.

Ranch Supply 102 S Dellinger Avenue in Hyannis will be accepting livestock supplies and fencing items during business hours.

[Heartland Lumber & Supply LLC](#) , 410 Main Street, Oshkosh, NE will be accepting livestock, fencing and hay during normal business hours. M-F 7-5 Sat 7-noon. To schedule after hours donations please call Jordan at 308-458-7470.

[Broadwater Country Store](#) 117 Guthrie Street, Broadwater, NE will be accepting livestock, fencing and hay. Starting Monday. (will update with contact information later)

[Crusty's Feed Store](#) 10 Swanson Drive, Arthur, NE will be accepting livestock, fencing and hay.

Livestock producers needing emergency hay and/or fencing supplies; hay and supply donors and truckers wishing to donate your time, please contact Patti Barnt 308 280 0025, (877) 703-0183 and email at [heartlandlivestockaid@gmail.com](mailto:heartlandlivestockaid@gmail.com).

### **Summer Grazing opportunities**

#### **Sugarloaf Grazing Association**

Sugarloaf Grazing Association members graze USFS Allotments on the Oglala National Grassland in Sioux and Dawes County Nebraska.

We have two small allotments available for grazing in summer 2026.

These allotments are available as reserve and non-use allotments.

Typically we would make these available to our members on a temporary/seasonal basis.

The Board is offering these allotments to ranchers impacted by the recent fires

Scroll to the bottom -or- Click [HERE](#) for full details.

#### **Additional coordination support:**

ALERT Disaster Relief has partnered with Ogallala Ag Supply and Ogallala Livestock Auction Market to coordinate hay, livestock supplies, and fencing.

Drop sites include Ogallala Ag Supply and Ranch Supply in Hyannis.

For large deliveries, contact **Patti Barnt (308-280-0025 or 877-703-0183)**

Email: [heartlandlivestockaid@gmail.com](mailto:heartlandlivestockaid@gmail.com)

#### **Facebook groups for information:**

[Morrill Fire Nebraska - https://www.facebook.com/Morrillfire](https://www.facebook.com/Morrillfire)

[Cottonwood Fire Nebraska - https://www.facebook.com/cottonwoodfire](https://www.facebook.com/cottonwoodfire)

[Cottonwood Local Fire Relief](#) “Organizing Relief Funds to go to Local Ranchers affected by Cottonwood Wildfire. This relief group has been organized by Maline Seed & Fence, Flatwater Bank, The Milk House and Miller Repair, Laird Feed.”

<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61582204092468>

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# RANCH RESILIENCE AFTER WILDFIRE

April 7, 2026

Oshkosh City Auditorium, 504 W 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, Oshkosh, NE

12:00 pm - 6:00 pm MDT

## Wildfire Recovery Planning Workshop for Ranchers

Gain practical guidance on post-wildfire recovery, including management and financial decision-making strategies, real-world lessons from ranchers who have experienced wildfire, and a curated list of resources to support your operation moving forward.



DALLAS MOUNT



Dallas Mount is the owner of Ranch Management Consultants (RMC) home of the Ranching for Profit School. He has worked with hundreds of ranchers across the US, Canada and Australia to position their business for economic profit and ecological health.



JOHN HASKELL



John Haskell is the owner of Ranch Right LLC and host of the Ranchonomics podcast. He and his wife Brittany are raising 3 children while running cattle. With over 3 decades of experience, John has developed expertise in the drivers of successful ranch management. He is passionate about teaching ranchers how to build businesses that support their families, strengthen their faith, and create lasting legacies.

FREE Event | Optional Noon Meal | Networking Supper to Follow

RSVP requested but not required

Visit [sandhillstaskforce.org](http://sandhillstaskforce.org) or call Ashley at 307-351-0935

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UNL Webinar **Confinement Feeding Cow Calf Pairs**, recorded March 19<sup>th</sup>, 2026 ! Learn drylot logistics, feeding strategies, and management considerations when drought or wildfire limits grazing options. [Watch on YouTube](#)



[www.nebraskagrazinglands.org](http://www.nebraskagrazinglands.org)

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## **What**

### **Dirty Creek Allotment**

- Pasture 50
- ~760 Acres
- 169 AUM 15-May through 30-Sep
- Approximately 24 Pairs and one Bull
- ~115 Animal Months
- ~\$8/AM ~\$920/Season

### **Whitehead Allotment 19A**

- Pasture 19A
- ~640 Acres
- 192 AUM 20-May through 5-Oct
- ~31 Pairs and one Bull
- ~150 Animal Months
- ~\$8/AM ~\$1200/season

## **Where**

### **Dirty Creek Allotment**

- Near Section 28, T33N, R53W
- Access from Sand Creek Road

### **Whitehead Allotment 19A**

- Near Section 35, T34N, R54W
- Access from Orella Road

## **The Details**

An individual must apply to the Sugarloaf Grazing Association to be considered.

- Certify grazing loss due to Morrill / Cottonwood / Anderson Bridge fires
- Complete "Temporary Grazing or Livestock Use Permit"
- Provide 3 references
- Interview with the Sugarloaf Board (in person or electronic)

The individual accepted will be a temporary Member and subject to the Rules of Management.

- Fence and tank maintenance must be completed before turn-in
- Association personnel will help facilitate this maintenance
- Actual fee pending but will not exceed ~\$8/AM
- Fees due before turn-in
- All pastures watered by community/shared pipelines
- Temporary Member responsible for monitoring and maintaining stock water
- Non-local individuals encouraged to hire local water monitors
- Health certificate required for all cows/calves
- Current Trich test required for all bulls
- Submit application to Jack Buhr (308-765-8965, buhrranch@gmail.com)

### **Temporary Grazing or Livestock Use Permit (USFS FS-2200-05)**

Includes:

- Permittee information
- Authorized livestock numbers, class, dates, and areas
- Terms and conditions
- Payment requirements
- Cancellation clauses
- Range and livestock management requirements
- Protection and improvement responsibilities
- Restrictions on transfer or assignment of permit

### **2026 Application for Grazing – Whitehead**

- Allotment: Whitehead
- Unit: Whitehead 19A
- On: 20-May
- Off: 5-Oct
- Days: 139
- Total permitted AUMs: 192
- Approx. 31 pairs + 1 bull

Includes blank tables for:

- Numbers
- Class of cattle
- Non-use declarations
- Signature lines

### **Range Improvement Inventory – Whitehead (19, 19A)**

Includes fences, tanks, dams, windmills, pipelines, cattleguards, with:

- Improvement numbers
- Locations
- Units
- Year constructed
- Maintenance responsibility
- Ownership (USFS, private, county)

### **2026 Application for Grazing – Dirty Creek**

- Allotment: Dirty Creek
- Unit: Dirty Creek 50
- On: 15-May
- Off: 30-Sep
- Days: 139
- Total permitted AUMs: 169
- Approx. 24 pairs + 1 bull

Includes blank tables for:

- Numbers
- Class of cattle
- Non-use declarations
- Signature lines

### **Range Improvement Inventory – Dirty Creek (50)**

Includes fences, tanks, dams, cattleguards, with:

- Improvement numbers
- Locations
- Units
- Maintenance assignments
- Ownership