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Hello again! Its been a month or so since we last spoke. We have been crazy busy here at the office hauling kids to various contests. In case you didn't know our Mohair judging team won State this year and I couldn't be more happy with our kids! We have an awesome support system in Kimble County and a great set of kids. The weather has definitely had its ups and downs over the past few months, parts of the county have seen rain while others are still praying for it. The forecast for the next few weeks shows us extremely hot and dry. So, with that being said, I think its just that time of year to prepare for dry hot conditions.

I wanted to mention that I am working with Sam Jetton and the Upper Llanos Prescribed Burn Association, Texas Tech, Junction, and the Upper Llanos Soil and Water Conservation District on a TDA Prescribed Burn Certification Course to be held August 2-5 at the Texas Tech Junction Center. The cost of the event is \$500 and they are only taking 25 applicants. A \$250 deposit is required at sign up with the remainder due at check-in at the course. In addition to this, we got approval from TDA to offer 6 CEU'S for Private Applicator License holders. This is an awesome way to get certified for prescribed burns, as well as pick up some hours you may be missing at the same time. If you would like more information or would like to sign up, please contact our office, or Sam Jetton at 325-446-2440 or samjetton@yahoo.com

We will again be offering our Lunch Webinar Series September 12-14. This will give you the opportunity to gain new updates, as well obtain a total of 3 CEU's spread out over 3 lunch periods. Be on the lookout for more information within the next few weeks!

Lastly, I wanted to offer some information that was sent to us from Dillon Demuth with Dow AgriSciences, via their Pasture Advisor Newsletter. We have many calls at the office asking what to do to help get rid of pesky, broadleaf weeds, but you may not have a Pesticide Applicator License. Dow suggests looking at a product called "Chaparral" in place of 2,4-D. It is not restricted in Texas, it does not require a license, and is highly effective against broadleaf weeds. Another suggestion was to substitute "PastureGard HL" for "Surmount". We all know how effective Surmount is on prickly pear and PastureGard HL will give you the same outcome without the hassle of a license.

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