

# GREGG E. SIMONDS

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## PROJECT ANALYST

Gregg is an award-winning, internationally renowned natural resource consultant and ranch manager. His 30-year career with many of the U.S.'s largest ranches and several developing countries sets the bar for innovative and integrative land management. His love for the land is evidenced by his commitment to developing more efficient and effective means for monitoring land health. His unique talents in mentoring the next generation of managers is demonstrated by the track records of his employees; five of the seven ranch managers who have worked under Gregg won conservation awards for ranch management.

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

### *Consultant / Ranch Manager*

1974-Present

- Currently serve as President of Open Range Consulting, a company dedicated to the successful management of working landscapes for biological and economical values.
- Direct development of remote sensing technologies and provide management planning and consulting for ranches in the western United States.
- Served as Manager of Desert Land and Livestock from 1978 to 1996. The U.S. General Accounting Office recognized the ranch as “a model for self-sufficiency that excels at protecting land and wildlife” in 1997.
- Contributed expertise as Consultant for The Nature Conservancy and the nation’s largest private landholders, including the King Ranch, Padlock Ranch, and Malapi Borderlands Group.
- Developed conservation plans in Mongolia and Bolivia.
- Delivered instruction to undergraduate and graduate students in Animal and Range Science. Served as Faculty Affiliate in the Animal Science Department at Colorado State University and Adjunct Professor in the Range Science Department at Utah State University.
- Collaborated with researchers, land management agencies, and NGOs to develop cutting-edge land monitoring techniques, which will be foundational to the development of conservation credit markets. Techniques were developed using remote sensing technologies and allow a better understanding of water cycle management, soil carbon sequestration, and document range conditions and trends. These technologies have been integrated with long-term ground base monitoring techniques, which allows this data to be correlated to remotely-sensed spectra.

## AWARDS

- “Land Manager of the Year,” Wyoming Wildlife Federation, 1994.
- Presidential “Take Pride in America” National Stewardship Award winner, 1990.
- “Rancher of the Year,” Utah Society for Range Management, 1986.

## EDUCATION

UTAH STATE UNIVERSITY, Logan, Utah

*Master of Science in Range Science*

*Bachelor of Science in Range/Watershed Management*

## ACTIVITIES

- Chair, multiple land management and habitat restoration committees.
- Board Member, National Joint Fire Science Interagency Advisory Board.
- Guest Speaker on issues of responsible land practices, wildlife management, and profitable ranching.