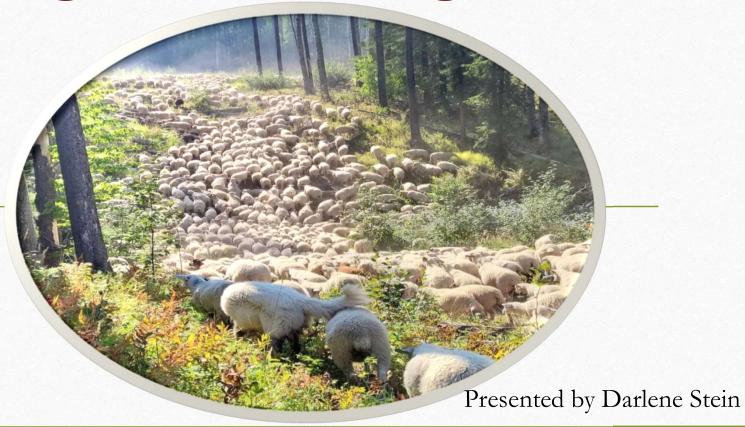
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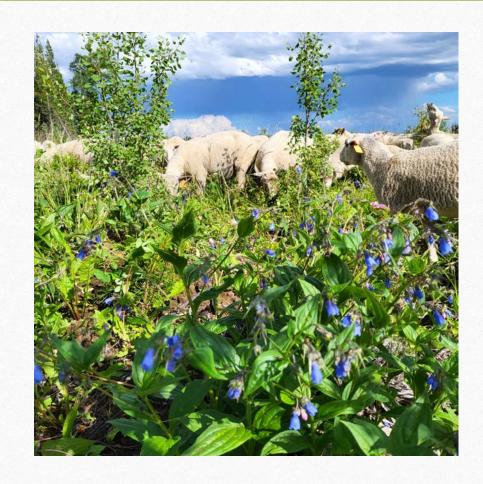


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Switch to Intensive Management

- 1994 Holistic Management Course
- Running Cow/Calf Operation
- Early 2000's bought sheep to train dogs
- Rented land
- Needed more production to remain home.



Pasture Planning Time

Considerations

Clean lambing field
Predation Pressure
Parasite management
Hay harvest



Stream bank and dugout restoration

- Cow damage for years
- Didn't heal because of water erosion.
- Limited sheep access to a couple times each season.



Carrying Capacity Changed

 Photo was of a Sainfoin grazing project done with West Central Forage Association



Sheep packing in overseeding





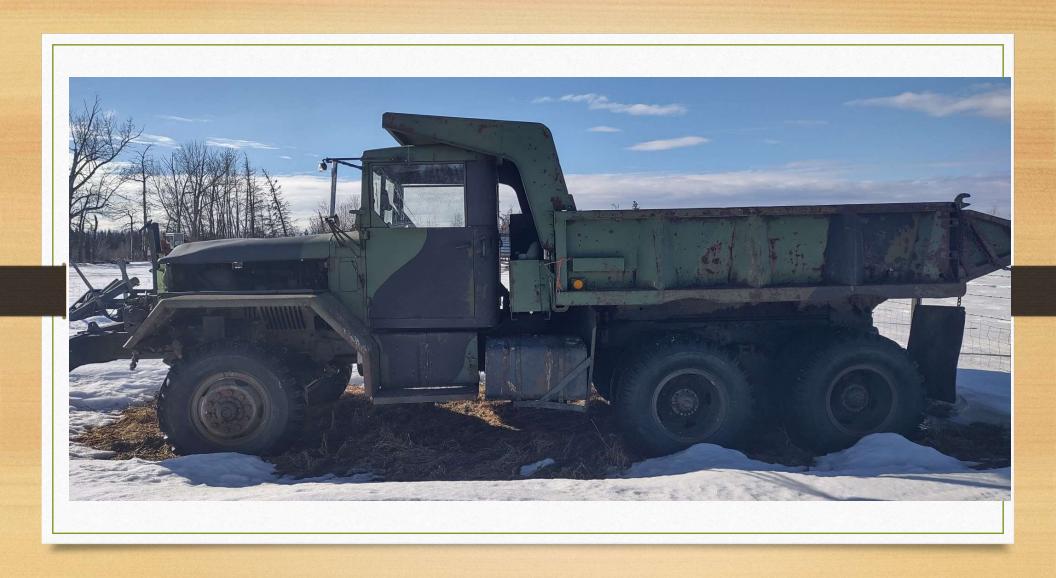
Fall Grazing weaned lambs



Mid Season Grazing



Targeting Problem Areas

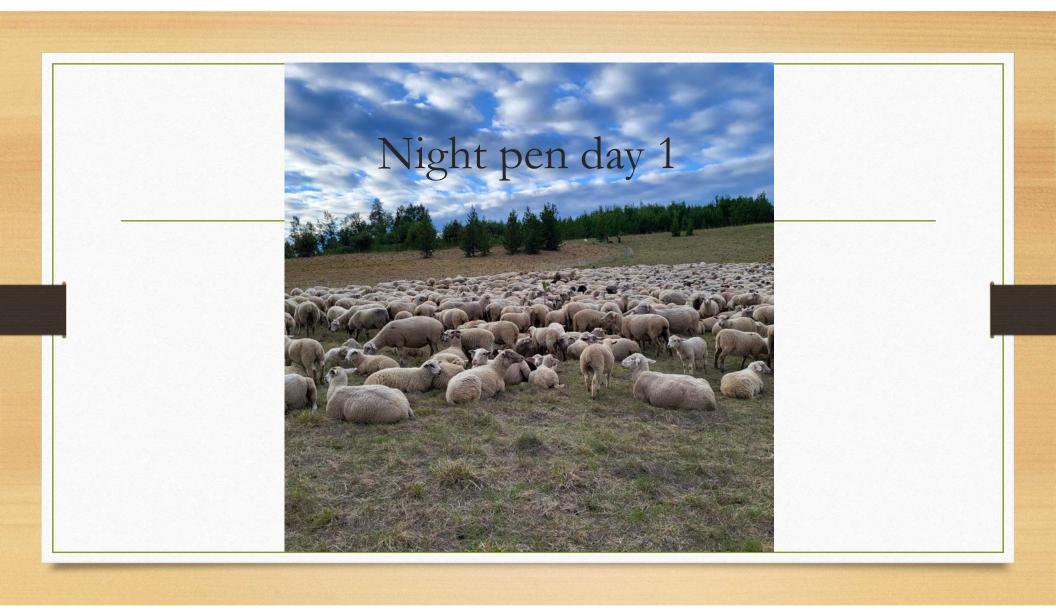


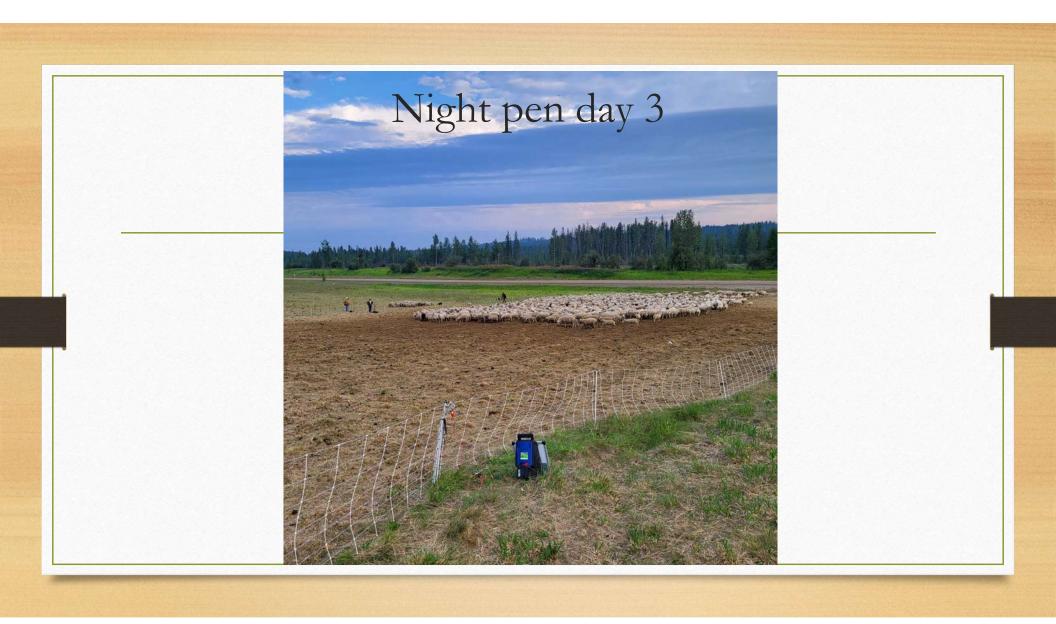
Water

We chose mobile water.

- Target low fertility areas
- Target areas with weed issues.
- Move water to shade

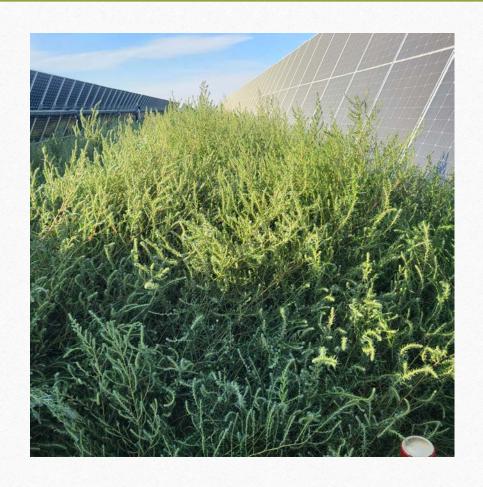






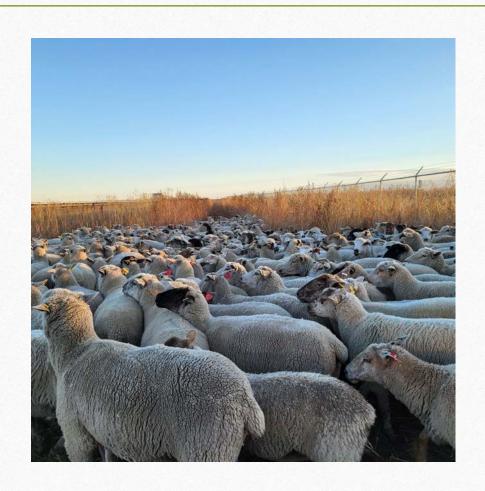
Kosha Problem

• Sheep will eat and walk down Kosha when it is green. Or once it gets wet in the fall with dew or snow if your stock density is high enough.



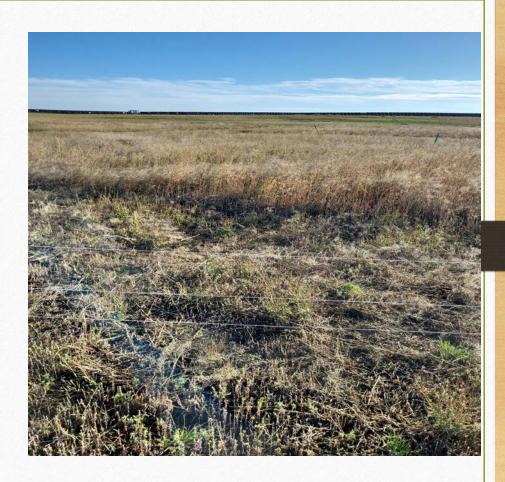
Kosha Problem

 You can walk Kosha down in the fall if your stock density is high enough and your dogs will work hard.



Weed troubles

- Once it has dried off in an arid environment it's a much different story.
- Flix weed, crested wheatgrass, Russian thistle. Do not walk down well at all.
- Same type of stock density and poor results. Need to be in earlier in a dryer environment to have the same effect.
- Obviously recovery will also take longer.

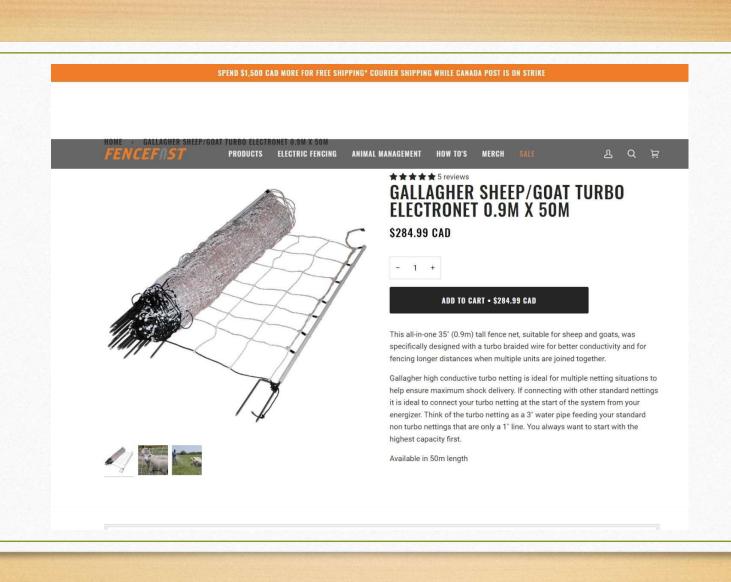


Fencing and lessons learned

Fencing Details











Cable Length:

500 ft (152 m)

Strand Core:

7x19

Material:

304 Stainless Steel

Cable Diameter:

3/16 inch (4.8 mm)

