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JACKSON RECEIVES OUTSTANDING YOUNG RANGE PROFESSIONAL AWARD FROM THE SOCIETY FOR RANGE MANAGEMENT (SRM)

James R. Jackson of Stephenville, Texas, received an *Outstanding Young Range Professional Award* at the Society for Range Management's (SRM) 73rd Annual Meeting, Technical Training, and Trade Show in Denver, Colorado, February 16-20, 2020. The *Outstanding Young Range Professional Award* recognizes SRM members who exhibit superior performance and leadership potential in any range-related area.

As the selection guidelines state, "*The Outstanding Young Range Professional Award is presented by the Society for Range Management to an individual member who has demonstrated extraordinary potential and promise as a range management professional.*" Clearly, James R. Jackson has exceeded the requirement of "extraordinary potential and promise as a range management professional." In a very short time, he has developed into an outstanding Range Professional by anyone's standards. Likewise, he has displayed outstanding leadership for SRM while remaining civic-minded and contributing to his local, regional, and state community.

James has served SRM since he joined as a Student member in 2005. He has served at both the Section and Parent Society levels in many capacities including as a member and Chair of the TSSRM Awards Committee and member of the SRM Parent Society Awards Committee. He also served on the TSSRM Planning Committee for the 2015 Annual Section Meeting. James routinely engages with students and other young professionals during Mentorship activities at Annual Meetings. James's largest professional contribution has come from serving as a Director of TSSRM (2017-19), during which he has demonstrated tremendous leadership for our Section and Society.

In his role as an Extension Program Specialist for Texas A&M AgriLife, James goes above and beyond to individually meet with County Extension Agents and ranchers to routinely resolve brush and weed management challenges. James embodies "taking the University to the people" and strives to provide the latest technology and recommendations to range managers. Additionally, his position allows him to regularly work with private landowners to find solutions to improve the health of the land and increase rancher profitability.

For his accomplishments and dedication to range, the Society for Range Management is proud to recognize James R. Jackson with a 2020 *Outstanding Young Range Professional Award*.



SRM 2020 Outstanding Young Range Professional Award recipient James R. Jackson with SRM President (2019) Dr. Clayton Marlow.



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VISION: A well-trained and highly motivated group of professionals and rangelands users working with productive, sustainable rangeland ecosystems.