Blue Creek USU Field Day 2016



The Utah Agricultural Experiment Station of Utah State University held their annual field crops field day at the Blue Creek Research Farm (15 miles west of Tremonton Utah at the Valley Exit # 24) on June 22, 2016. About 115 producers, seedsman, chemical company, state agency, and university representatives attended in an interactive discussion with researchers working on wheat, safflower, cover crops, and rangeland plants. Drs. Mike Peel, Jack Staub, and Blair Waldron represented the Forage and Range Research Laboratory, where they presented information on the breeding and genetics of legumes, fine-leaved fescue, and forage kochia, respectively. Questions were answered regarding the possible use of fine fescue species for used in rangeland firebreaks (greenstrips), legumes for non-irrigated pasture management, and forage kochia nutrition and management practices.



Dr. Michael Peel demonstrating the differences among some legumes (e.g., sainfoin, cicer milk vetch) and discussing their cultivar and management for improvement of irrigated and non-irrigated pastures.



Dr. Blair Waldron discussing the advantages of using the FRRL forage kochia release "Snowstorm"

for reducing fall and winter livestock feeding costs.