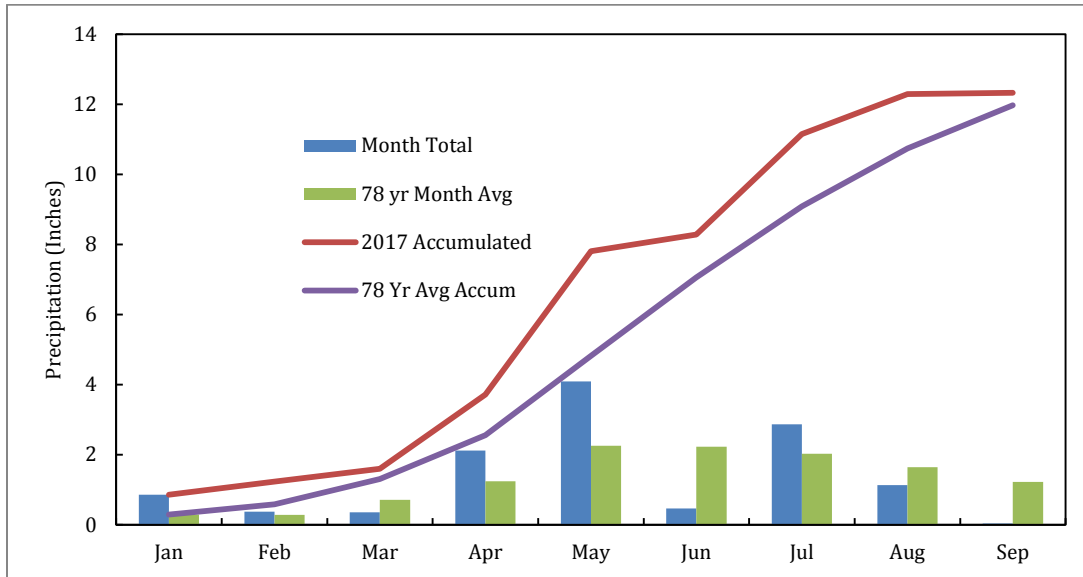


Greeting AGMers,

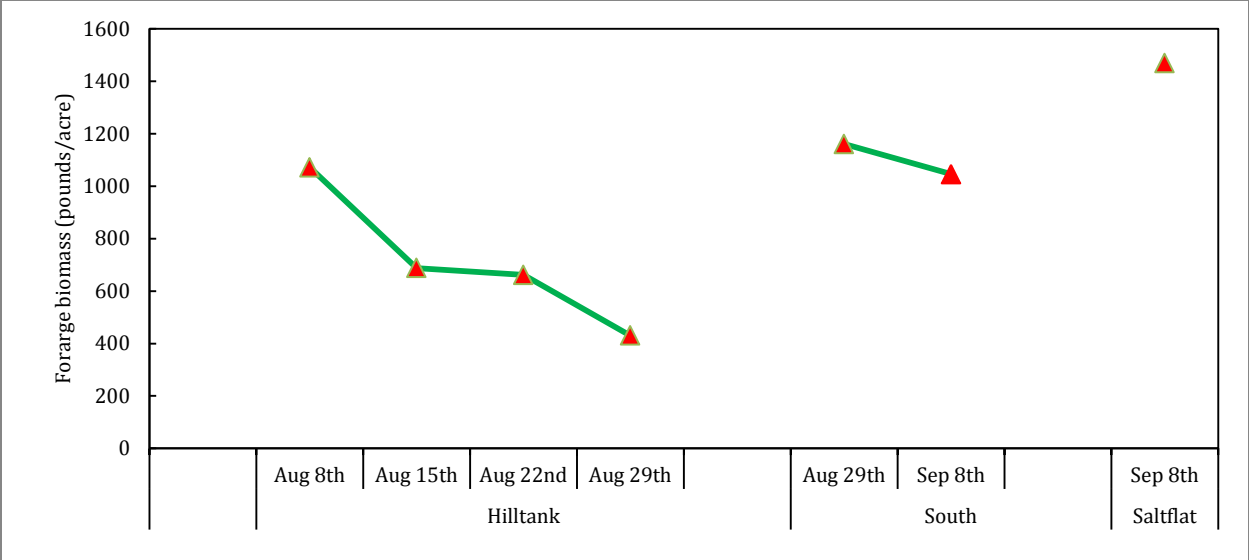
As our pastures brown with the changing of the seasons, my thoughts travel to the neighbors in the North & West, many hopes they receive well needed moisture soon.

Precipitation is **0.04"** for **September** and **12.33"** year-to-date.

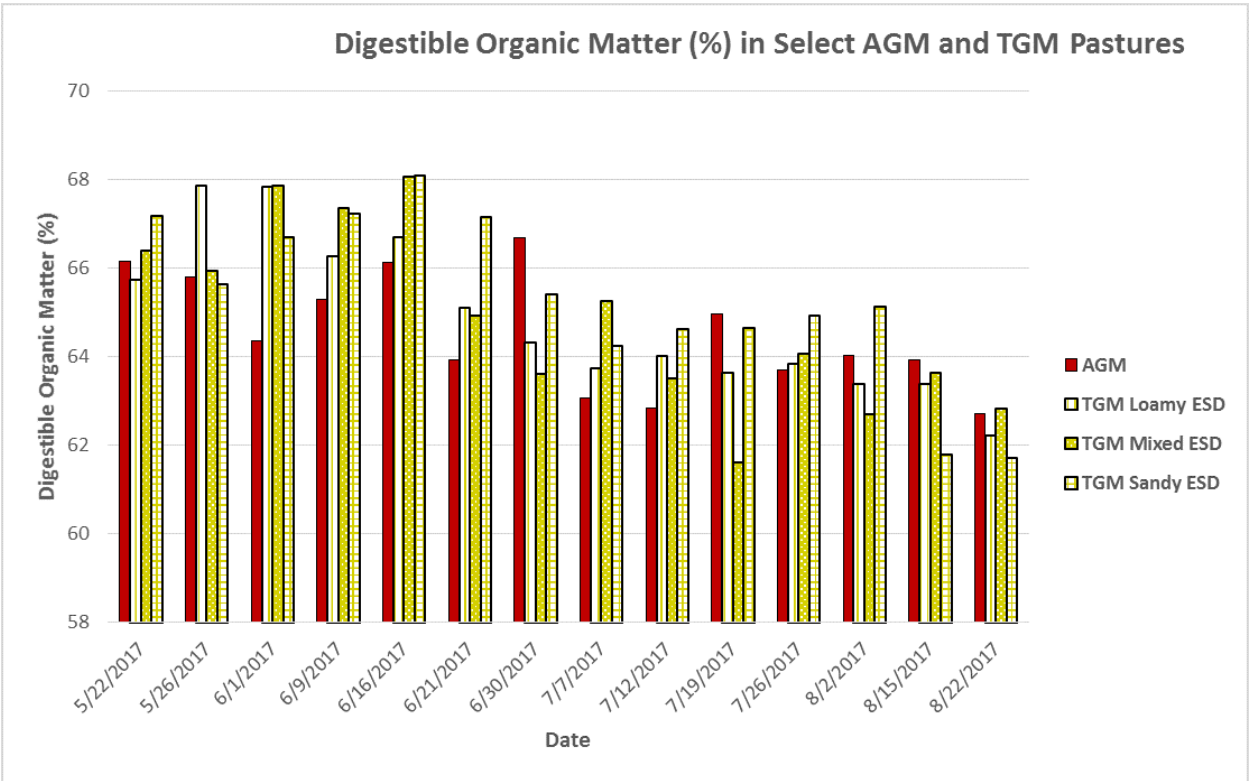


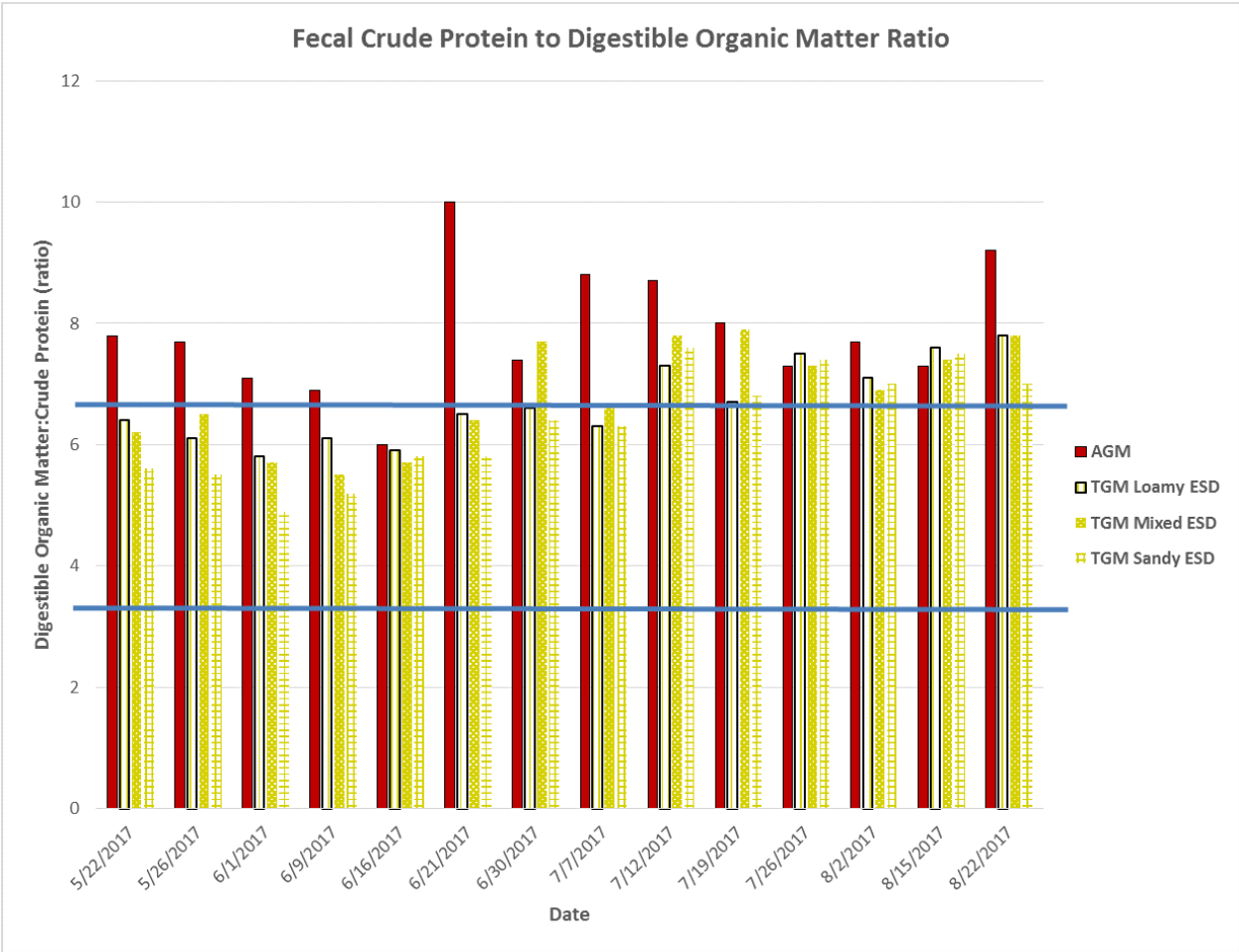
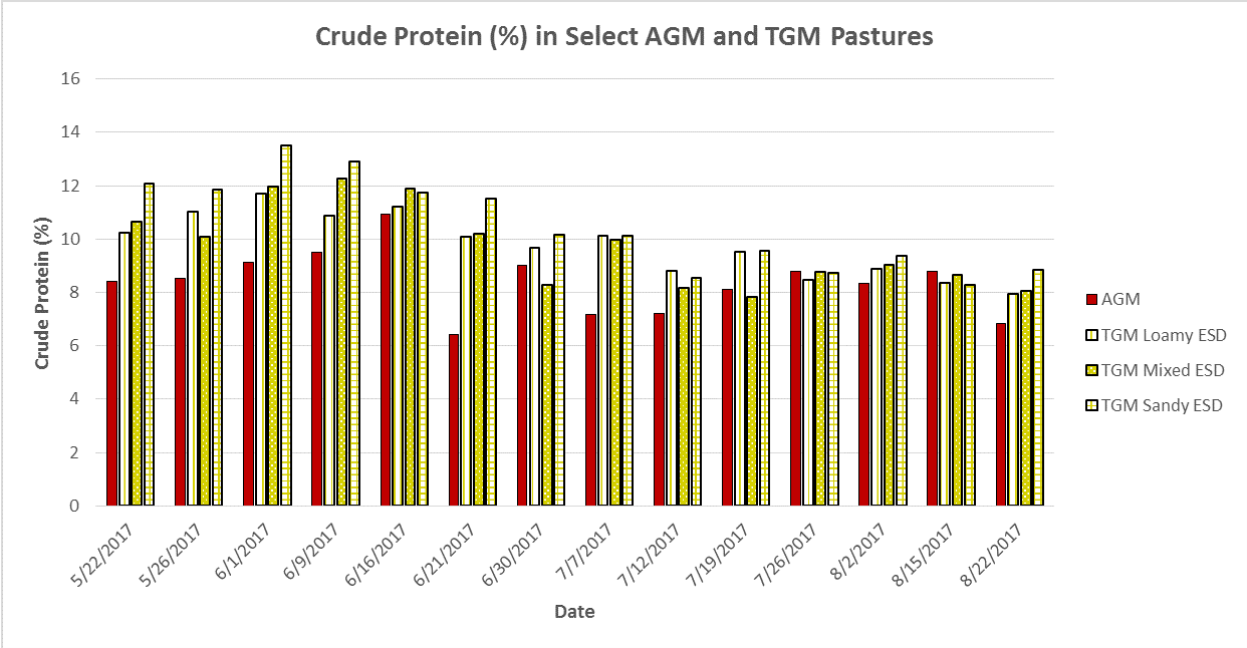
Highlights of Happenings:

- **Sep 5th AGM** moved from **South** to **Saltflat** after well problems (hopefully everyone has had a chance to catch up on those emails, thanks for the swift action Derner).
- **New rotation plans:** Last 10 days spent in Ridgeline.
- We left **South VOR** at **1046.2 pounds/acre** or **4.46 cm**.
- **Saltflat VOR** is **1468.8 pounds/acre** or **6.26 cm**. The two transects located on the saltflat represent a good portion of this forage, that being said the Bluegrama is incredibly TALL.



- **Scoop on Poop: Diet Quality for AGM & Ecological Sites.**





- LTGI & AGM weights

Treatment	May12-June 8	June 8-July 6	July 6-Aug 3	Aug 3-Aug 31	Year to date	Gain to date
Light	2.8	4.03	1.97	2.8	2.85	319
Moderate	3.29	4.46	0.72	2.78	2.76	310
Heavy	2.98	4.64	1.03	2.54	2.72	305
AGM					2.38	266



Above: Comparison between the first & second week in South.



Above: P1 is located on a good **Bluegrama** stand, P4 is located on the saltflat with a composition of **Sand Dropseed** (*Sporobolus airoides*) and **Inland Saltgrass** (*Distichlis spicata*)

Desktop Field View: from our office to yours. To the rancher stakeholders, anyone successfully fighting the flies?



For detailed precipitation data, maps, last year's updates, scientist bios, and AGM documents, see our website: [AGM](#) . Remember to send your questions, concerns, and ideas my way and I do my best to have them addressed in next week's email.

On behalf of the USDA-ARS-Rangeland Resources & Systems Research Unit, I thank you all for your continued participation in this project.