The inaugural East Foundation Three Minute Thesis competition will take place at the Texas Section Society for Range Management annual meeting in Lubbock, Texas October 10, 2018. More information regarding the competition and submission guidelines will be made available in the coming weeks. Three Minute Thesis (3MT) https://threeminutethesis.uq.edu.au/ is a research communication competition developed by the University of Queensland in Australia. It challenges graduate students to make a compelling presentation on their research topic and its significance in just three minutes. The competition helps students develop academic, presentation and research communication skills and the capacity to explain their research to a non-academic audience.

The mission of the East Foundation is to support wildlife conservation and the other public benefits of ranching and private land stewardship. We engage with university programs to strengthen the pipeline of talented scientists and well-informed decision makers. We conduct programs such as 3MT® because we need more management-minded scientists and more science-minded managers. Through this, we are developing future leaders that will be well-grounded in applied science, able to communicate to decision-makers.

Why Compete?
• improve your ability to communicate science to people who are not scientists
• hone your “elevator speech”
• promote your research to decision makers
• cash awards
• because it is the right thing to do

Eligibility
The 2018 TSSRM competition is open to all graduate students working on rangeland management related topics – both MS and PhD. In addition to general research outcomes, proposed or “in progress” research efforts are encouraged.

Judging and Awards
Rangeland management professionals and representatives from the East Foundation and TSSRM will judge presentations. First, second, and third place presenters will receive a cash awards of $1000, $500, and $300, respectively

Resources

Contact Information and dateline
The title of the presentation, name of the presenter, and institution should be emailed to Dr. Poncho Ortega Sr. by September 10, 20018. For general information concerning the competition, please contact Dr. Poncho Ortega, Sr. at poncho.ortega@tamuk.edu or 361-593-5001.