Hello AGMers,

I hope this email finds you in great spirits for the Holiday Weekend.

**Highlights for the Week:**

- **Hill Tank** ended with **2.44 cm or 573 pounds/acre**. No thresholds met so we will be moving the AGM herd to *Snowfence on Tuesday Sept. 6th*, as that marks the 24-day threshold.

- The **steers are happy and healthy**, but I must report we did remove one small steer who was bullied by the herd; he now resides in our horse pasture and seems to appreciate the move.

- We ended **August** with a total of **1.55 in** of rain, had no measureable amount in Sept. so far, so our precip total to-date is **2.28 in below** the annual average.

- We collected weights this week and have some interesting info to share.
**Average Weight Aug. 30th**

- Light | 909.91 lbs
- Moderate | 894.50 lbs
- Heavy | 853.80 lbs
- AGM | 823.76 lbs

**LTGI ADG Last Month**

- Light | 1.59 lbs/day
- Moderate | 1.48 lbs/day
- Heavy | 0.65 lbs/day

**NOTE:** If you, like me, were interested in how our AGM were faring compared to our TGM, the above information will give you a rough idea, but it is by no means a true comparison since the TGM (Moderate) average was calculated from a herd of 22 and AGM was calculated from a herd of 243.

For detailed precipitation data, maps, last year's updates, scientist bios, and AGM documents, see our website: [http://www.ars.usda.gov/Research/docs.htm?docid=25733](http://www.ars.usda.gov/Research/docs.htm?docid=25733). Remember to send your questions, concerns, and ideas my way and I’ll do my best to have them addressed in next week’s email.

**Photos**

![Aug. 26th](image1)

![Aug. 31st](image2)

**Above:** AGM grazing in Hill tank Aug. 31st

Happy Trails,

Melissa Johnston