

I own approximately 2000 acres of grazing land in Johnson County. My father and grand father and I have run cattle on this property for over 80 years since 1937.

I am now 82 years old myself this year. We are being rezoned Forest Reserve on approximately 1000 acre at a increase in tax of about 100/acre. Then to have this 354/acre

with the 45% increase in property taxes plus

added on is leading a guy when he is down. We have ~~no~~^{limited} pasture the year due to the drought and zero water when needed with total loss on our hay crop. The land that is

being rezoned is scrub oak-possum oak type land which is not Forest Reserve property.

If it burns off the land then goes back to grazing land which it has been for years anyway.

So forget about fire protection - Let it burn. Class 7 soils - mainly Star thistle

inter spaced with the scrub oak and possum oak.

I dedicate a fire truck and a ranch hand as a operator at my own expense. ^{over 10 yr} Come visit if your in doubt!

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