

Managed Grazing

Tips for Homeowners Adjacent to Open Space

- Because goats and sheep like to eat almost everything, please do not place any yard clippings, toxic materials, or potted plants in the open space area.
- Please minimize disturbance to both the grazing herd and companion dogs. It is important that you do not allow pets into the open space area while the goats and sheep are grazing, as they may be perceived by the guardian dogs to be a threat to the herd and will react accordingly.
- Please ensure your fence is secure so grazing animals do not have access to your yard. Goats and sheep may be able to squeeze their heads through a wrought iron fence, so please protect your plants. The grazing contractor will not be liable for property damage as a result of faulty fences.
- Please be cautious of temporary wire fencing used for the herds. They may be energized fences that can cause small shocks if touched.
- At times traffic will be held in certain areas to allow herds to cross the street. Crossings will be scheduled for non-peak traffic hours and disruptions will be kept to a minimum.

The Rocklin grazing program provides sustainable land management, brush and weed control without destroying the ecological balance in the open space areas. Grazing eliminates noxious weeds, helps restore native grasses, and addresses fire prevention through fuel load reduction.

Thank you for your cooperation in making the Rocklin Managed Grazing Program successful. If you have any questions, please contact the Fire Department at 916-625-5300 or visit the City of Rocklin website at <u>www.rocklin.ca.us/grazing</u>.