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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

## GRASSHOPPER WORKSHOP SCHEDULED

TERRY – An educational workshop on grasshoppers and their impacts on rangelands will be held on June 2, 2004, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., beginning at the American Legion Hall in Terry.

The all-day workshop is being sponsored by the Prairie County Cooperative State Grazing District with help from the Bureau of Land Management Miles City Field Office.

Part of the workshop will involve a field trip to the Cherry Creek Ranch, north of Terry.

The workshop will cover grasshopper biology and ecology, the cause of grasshopper outbreaks, the role of grazing management in reducing grasshopper outbreaks and hot-spot treatments to prevent the expansion of infestations into large-scale outbreaks in Prairie County and eastern Montana.

David Branson of the U. S. Department of Agriculture Northern Plains Agricultural Research Station in Sidney will be presenting the workshop. Branson is a research entomologist who has conducted research on grasshopper ecology and management for over a decade. His current research primarily examines preventing grasshopper outbreaks through cultural and habitat management.

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Sandwiches and chili will be provided by the grazing district and served at the legion hall prior to departing to the Cherry Creek Ranch.

Questions may be referred to BLM Rangeland Management Specialist Adam Carr at 406-233-2835, or Sandra Brown from the Prairie County Cooperative State Grazing District, phone number 406-635-5868.

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