

Friday, Oct 23

**Michael Delbar, The Land That Sustains
Us: Why California's Rangelands Matter
(D/H/R/WI)**

3 to 4 pm

Mendocino Hall 1005



The Golden State is losing its working rangelands faster than most people realize. When those lands are developed, we lose more than open space. We lose the ability to produce food, support wildlife, filter water, store carbon, and reduce wildfire risk. Michael Delbar, CEO of the California Rangeland Trust, will share what is driving this loss and why ranching families are finding it harder to stay on the land. He will also highlight how voluntary conservation is helping keep these landscapes intact, securing a brighter future that supports both the land and the families who depend on it.