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Dear Dr. Menalled:

CS Ranch is an enthusiastic collaborator and core partner to Quivira Coalition's proposal to Western SARE Research and Education Grant program for the project titled "Producing and applying compost on degraded rangeland to improve soil health and carbon sequestration, and understanding the economic feasibility of these practices."

Located in northeastern New Mexico at the foot of the Sangre de Cristo mountain range, the CS Ranch covers 130,000 acres of privately owned plains, foothills and mountain country that was originally part of the Maxwell Land Grant. The CS is a working cattle ranch and hunting operation and has been family owned and operated since 1873. It was founded by Frank Springer and his brother Charles, whose initials are used for the ranch name and historic brand. Les Davis, grandson of Frank Springer, took over management of the CS in 1947 and the ranch continues under family management to this day.

We are excited to partner with Quivira Coalition to in determining the cost and feasibility of compost production on-farm for improving degraded rangeland. We are willing to commit half an acre of our ranch to compost production, and the needed acres for compost application to determine the impact on our rangeland. Additionally, we have the necessary equipment for moving compost, including a skid steer and trailer. Finally, we are willing to use these tools at other sites if needed to accomplish this research. In addition to offering space, equipment, materials and time for this project, we also look forward to providing input to help determine the economics of on-farm compost application.

We look forward to strengthening the Quivira Coalition Carbon Ranch Initiative through this collaboration. We hope Western SARE will support this proposal. I can be reached for questions at (575)376-2827 or by email at csranch@bacavalley.com.

Sincerely,


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Roles

- Co-investigators
- Farmer/Rancher ☒
- Educator
- Researcher
- Technical Advisor

Job Title Owner and Officer

Institution, organization, or business name CS Ranch Inc.

Institution, organization, or business type Select 1862 Land Grant

- 1890 Land Grant
- 1994 Land Grant
- Other college or university
- Commercial (farm/ranch/business) ☒
- Government agency
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