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Dykes, J.L., A.K. Killam, B.R. Green, C.D. Hilton, E.P. Tanner, M.J. Cherry, and R.W. DeYoung. Quality or Quantity? Ambient Temperature Influences Selection for Shade Quality in A Large Herbivore.

Kiel, C. Avian Productivity in South Texas Rangelands.

Leivers, S.J., A.C. Racey, G. Daugherty, **T.A. Campbell**, and J.M. Tomeček. Scavenger Guild Diversity and Carrion Use During a Mass Mortality Event.

Lombardi, J.V., C.J. Anderson, D.B. Wester, **S.B. Carter**, **A Blackburn**, **A.M. Veals**, H. Perotto-Baldivieso, **L. Schofield**, J.H. Young, and M.E. Tewes. Response of Ocelots to Paved and Unpaved Roads in Ranchland and Fragmented Systems in Southern Texas.

Montalvo, A., C. Endler, and **J. Sawyer**. Evaluating the Use Of the "Rangeland Analysis Platform" in Large-scale Stocking Rate Decisions in South Texas.

Sergeyev, M., J.D. Holbrook, **J.V. Lombardi**, M.E. Tewes, and **T.A. Campbell**. Identifying Behavioral States of Ocelots, Bobcats, and Coyotes Using Hidden Markov Models.

Simonds, B.L., **M.A. Thornley**, and M.L. Morrison. The Effects of Investigator Disturbance on Nesting White-Tailed Hawks in South Texas.

Sinner, M.T. Fire and Mice: The Effects of Prescribed Burns on Rodent Communities.

Smith, K.E., **M.A. Thornley**, and M.L. Morrison. Parental Behavior and Time Budgets of Nesting White-tailed Hawks.

Spencer, B.D., D.G. Hewitt, R.W. DeYoung, J.A. Ortega-S., A.M. Foley, **T.A. Campbell**, **L.R. Schofield**, and M.J. Cherry. Effects of Cattle Stocking Rate on White-tailed Deer Home Range Areas.

Thornley, M.A. Effects of Prescribed Fire on White-tailed Hawk Nesting Locations at El Sauz Ranch.

Zerlin, R., S. Rideout-Hanzak, D.B. Wester, R. Patrock, **T. Campbell, L. Schofield**, and J. Elissetche. Effects of Prescribed Burning on Butterfly Populations in Coastal South Texas.

Zerlin, R., S. Rideout-Hanzak, D.B. Wester, R. Patrock, **T. Campbell, L. Schofield**, and J. Elissetche. Extreme Weather Effects on Butterflies — it's Snow Laughing Matter.

White-tailed deer are an important component of rangelands and a major economic resource in Texas. Billions of dollars are spent annually on white-tailed deer management and hunting. East Foundation's ranches are home to abundant and healthy deer populations that reflect a more natural state, largely free of human involvement. Our lands are the ideal laboratory to answer questions relating to white-tailed deer populations. Outcomes from these studies often pertain to the region, the state, and in many cases the entire nation.



Texas Section Society for Range Management, Denton, TX, October 2022

Swaim, C., **A. Montalvo**, and **J. Sawyer**. In Progress, in Perpetuity: Evaluating Rangeland Response to Fire and Grazing on a Tanglehead-dominated Pasture.

Texas Society of Mammalogists, Virtual, 2022

Sergeyev, M., J.D. Holbrook, **J.V. Lombardi**, M.E. Tewes, and **T.A. Campbell**. Using Hidden Markov Models to Identify Behavioral States of Ocelots, Bobcats, and Coyotes.

Southeast Deer Study Group, Virtual, 2022

Dykes, J. Quality or Quantity? Ambient Temperature Influences Selection for Shade Quality in a Large Herbivore.

Spencer, B. Disentangling the Competitive Interactions of Cattle and White-tailed Deer.

The Wildlife Society, Spokane, WA, November 2022

Dykes, J., T. Fulbright, D.G. Hewitt, J.A. Ortega-S., A.M. Foley, C.A. DeYoung, **T.A. Campbell**, and R.W. DeYoung. Resource Selection and Interactions of Deer and Cattle on Southern Rangelands.

Hopper, M.L., B.D. Spencer, R.W. DeYoung, A.M. Foley, J.A. Ortega-S., **L.R. Schofield**, **T.A. Campbell**, and M.J. Cherry. Timing of Rainfall Influences Offspring Quality of a Large Herbivore in a Semi-arid Environment.

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Society for Range Management, Albuquerque, NM, February 2022

Likins, J., **J. Sawyer**, R. Teague, H. Leggette, and U. Kreuter. An Instrument for Objectively Characterizing Livestock Grazing Management Systems.

Invited Presentations

Sawyer, J.E. 2022. Managing for Optimal Reproductive Performance. KRIRM Managing the cow-calf business lectureship. Kingsville, TX.

Sawyer, J. 2022. Climate Neutral Beef: Where do we go from here? Beef Improvement Federation Annual Meeting. Las Cruces, NM.

Sawyer, J. 2022. The carbon conundrum: Technical limitations and opportunities. Beef Improvement Federation Annual Meeting. Las Cruces, NM.

Sawyer, J.E, D.S. DeLaney, D.P. Anderson, T.E. Lashmet, and C.P. Mathis. 2022. Should I sell carbon credits? A decision guide for ranchers. King Ranch® Institute for Ranch Management. Virtual.

Sawyer, J.E. 2022. Carbon Sequestration: Considerations from a Landowner's Perspective. San Antonio Livestock Exposition Seminar. San Antonio, TX.

Sawyer, J. 2022. Purposeful Range Management. University Lands Grazing Lessee Conference. Midland TX.

Sawyer, J.E. 2022. Understanding carbon credits – Benefits and Risks. AgriLife Extension/Beefmaster Breeders United. Floresville, TX.

Sawyer, J.E. 2022. Carbon Sequestration: Considerations from a Landowner's Perspective. Texas State Soil & Water Conservation Board Directors Convention. Galveston, TX.

Schofield, L.R. 2022. Parenthood in the Field: Challenges and Advise for Raising Your Own Brood. The Wildlife Society. Spokane, WA.

Woodard, D.A. 2022. Careers in Wildlife: TAMUK Chapter of TWS. Kingsville, TX.

Woodard, D.A. 2022. Sustainable Harvest of Northern Bobwhites: Phase I Overview. Texas Wildlife Association, Quail Masters. Hebbronville, TX.

Woodard, D.A. 2022. Project Update: Aspects of Hunting on Northern Bobwhite Population. South Texas Quail Coalition. Kingsville, TX.

Woodard, D.A. 2022. East Foundation Quail Research and 2022 Quail Trends. Starr County Fall Ranchers Program. San Isidro, TX.

Woodard, D.A. 2022. Quail Trends and Key Research Findings. Duval County Deer Seminar. Benavides, TX.

Woodard, D.A. 2022. East Foundation Quail Research Program. East Foundation's Veterinarian Science Day Camp. Hebbronville, TX.

Popular Press, Podcasts, and Radio

Machen, R., and **J.E. Sawyer**. 2022. The Value of Reproduction. *Progressive Cattle*. August.

Sawyer, J.E., D.S. DeLaney, D.P. Anderson, T.E. Lashmet, and C.P. Mathis. 2022. Should I Sell Carbon Credits? *Directions*. National Cattlemen's Beef Association. Fall.

Machen, R., **J. Sawyer**, S. Bevers and C. Mathis. 2022. Measuring Economic Sustainability at the Ranch Level. *Directions*. National Cattlemen's Beef Association. Fall.

Mathis, C.P., **Sawyer, J.E.**, and T.E. Lashmet. 2022. Should I Sell My Carbon Credits? Episode 85. Working Ranch Radio Show.

Woodard, D.A. 2022. How Research Informs Bobwhite Management and Hunting Recommendations. *Project Upland*. October.

In the last century, northern bobwhites have experienced widespread population declines across their range. One area that has remained stable is the South Texas Sand Sheet. Bobwhite conservation is also a major driver of the rural economies of South Texas. Annual lease revenues for bobwhite hunting can yield up to \$20 per acre, generate more than \$75 million in income, and create over 1,600 jobs. A primary concern for landowners and sportsmen is the sustainability of our management practices, including harvest. To address these concerns, the East Foundation has implemented several longterm research projects that focus on evaluating the effects of harvest and land management practices. Our investigations occur on over 60,000 acres of East Foundation property and provide data on bobwhite abundance and management at an operational scale and inform future quail management





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