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Resource Prelim Information

1. Prelim Process

- The committee meets to discuss the plan of the prelim.
- Committee chair meets with students to discuss general tenor and ground rules for the resources prelim.
- Environmental and natural resource economic questions are solicited from other faculty members.
- All questions submitted by other faculty members as well as questions written by current committee members are reviewed and examined for appropriateness and balance.
- The prelim is written, administered, and graded by the committee.

2. Prelim Schedule

• January 19, 1993, Room 300 Agricultural Bldg., 8 a.m. - 12 noon

3. Prelim Tenor

- The prelim is designed to measure the students competency in environmental and natural resource economics. Emphasis is placed on determining the students ability to recognize, analyze, and propose solutions to economic problems stemming from the use or misuse of natural resources and the environment.
- Students should be familiar with fundamental natural resource and environmental issues, their basic physical/chemical/biological underpinnings, and who is doing what to whom.
- Students should be schooled in topical Texas, U.S., and global natural resource and environmental issues.
- Proper application of environmental and natural resource economic concepts is essential.
- This is not a final exam of AGEC 604, AGEC 609, or AGEC 610. These classes serve only to provide a means or method of thinking about how to address environmental and natural resource economic issues.

4. Prelim Format

- The prelim will have two parts and at least one part will have one or two degrees of freedom.
- See the old prelims

5. General Information

- Be organized
- Don't take things for granted
- Highlight your economic analytic skills
- Your approach (set up) to the problem is important
- Be clear about what you are trying to say or graphs that you use