Using unscripted interviews with ranchers from New Mexico, Nevada and Idaho, the film explores the use of beaver as a tool to repair erosion, increase forage and overall productivity, and improve wildlife habitat on ranches.

The film was produced by Seventh Generation Institute, a nonprofit organization based in Santa Fe. “We have been working with ranchers and beaver since 2008,” said Cathryn Wild, the film maker. “Beaver need management like all wildlife, but in the right place and with the right management, beaver can be a real ‘Swiss army knife’ tool for ranchers.

There will be a discussion session after the film with Cathryn Wild and ranchers who are using beaver and featured in the film. Get common sense answers to your toughest questions on how to manage beaver and whether they might be right for your land and water.