



Directions to the Boot Camps

Prairie Research Unit

Prairie is located about 13 miles north of West Point on Alt. Hwy 45. When traveling north from West Point on Alt. Hwy 45, turn right (east) on Hwy 382. The Prairie Research Unit is about 3 miles on the left. If coming from the north, it is approximately 30 to 35 miles from Tupelo on Alt. 45 or 3 miles from the Hwy 8 intersection.

Physical Address: 40223 Hwy 382
Prairie, MS

Coastal Plain Experiment Station

From Jackson, MS, travel 65 miles east on Interstate 20, then take Exit 109. Turn south onto Mississippi Hwy 15, and travel south 1/2 mile to its intersection with US 80 Hwy. Turn left (east) on US 80 Hwy and travel 4 miles to Coastal Plain Rd. Take a left (north) and the administration building will be on your right.

Physical Address: 51 Coastal Plain
Road Newton, MS 39345

For more information contact:

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BEEF CATTLE BOOT CAMP

**Prairie Research Unit
Prairie, Mississippi
Friday, April 8, 2016
9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.**

**Coastal Plain Experiment
Station
Newton, MS
Friday, April 15, 2016
9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.**



EXTENSION



Morning Sessions

Registration

8:30-9:00 a.m.

Welcome/Introductions

9:00-10:15 a.m.

Cow Size Determinations

9:15-9:45 a.m.

Discussion of what factors might make one cow appear bigger or smaller than she is, and what factors determine cow size

Practical Bull Selection

9:45-10:30 a.m.

Interpreting a sale catalog and then looking at the bulls "at the sale" to select which bull fits your needs

Break

10:30-10:45 a.m.

DNA Sampling

Procedures

10:45-11:00 a.m.

Demonstrate how to take samples such as blood card, hair, and ear tag

Diagnostics for Health

11:00 a.m. -12:00 p.m.

Demonstration of fecal egg counts and discussion on how diagnostic testing can complement your herd health plan.

Afternoon Sessions

Lunch (provided)

12:00-1:00 p.m.

What's a VFD?

1:00-1:30 p.m.

Discussion on new regulations and alternative strategies for antibiotic use.

Estate Planning

1:30-2:00 p.m.

Discussion of what steps should be taken to pass the farm to the next generation

Alternative Feed Sources

2:00 -2:30 p.m.

Discussion of common feeds available and their nutritional value

Rotational Grazing Plans

2:30-3:00 p.m.

Planning ahead for a rotational grazing program

Wrap-up and Evaluations

3:00 p.m.

Boot Camp Registration Form

Contact Information

Name(s) of persons attending

Address Line 1

Address Line 2

Phone(s)

E-mail

\$

Amount of payment enclosed

Registration fees for the Beef Cattle Boot Camp are \$35 per person in advance and \$45 per person at the door. Please make checks payable to Mississippi State University.

Boot Camp Location and Date (choose one)

- Prairie Research Unit, Friday, April 8
- Coastal Plain Research Unit, Friday, April 15

Return completed forms and registration fees to:

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