

Beef And Forage Field Day To Feature Tours And Experts

MONTICELLO, ARK. Cattle producers can see the latest technology and research at the annual Beef and Forage Field Day, April 30 at the Southeast Research and Extension Center (SEREC) at Monticello.

The center is part of the University of Arkansas Division of Agriculture.

“This is a well attended activity where the public learns more about management of beef and forage,” said Dr. Kelly Bryant, SEREC director. “Usually, about 100 attend from all over southeast Arkansas. Many producers are interested in what they can do to improve their operations.”

Highlighting the field day will be a presentation by SEREC and the Arkansas Forest Re-

sources Center at Monticello that will shed new light on wildlife habits.

“We’ll talk about how wildlife interacts with farming decisions. For example, we plant winter forages for our cattle, but nighttime thermal imaging indicates that deer benefit as well,” Bryant said.

Experts also will discuss these topics:

- Cattle disease management
- Dollars for feed or dollars for forage?
- The condition of a cow after weaning

Registration and exhibits open at 4:30 p.m. at the center, and the program begins at 5:30 p.m.

“Weather permitting, we’ll load up on trailers at 5:30 and tour much of the research farm,” Bryant said. A free dinner will be provided. Δ



Cattle producers listen to a discussion on cattle production at a recent beef and forage field day. (U of A file photo)