

# Forage Nitrate Management Workshop In Marshfield Oct. 27

## MARSHFIELD, MO.

University of Missouri Extension is offering a "Forage Nitrate Workshop" from 6 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., Thursday, Oct. 27 at the Webster County Extension Center, 800 S. Marshall St. (S. Highway A), in Marshfield.

Program participants will learn which forages and feed sources can accumulate nitrates, what conditions promote accumulations, symptoms and treatment of cattle that have consumed high-nitrate feeds, and management options for forages and cattle.

"The drought this summer has increased the likelihood of nitrate accumulations in several forages and feed sources such as johnsongrass and silage, and the weather conditions in some areas during early September may have increased the chances for prussic acid," said Brie Menjoulet, agronomy specialist with University of Missouri Extension.

Examples of forage test results will be used during the workshop, and participants are encouraged to bring their test results if they

would like help with interpretation.

"The majority of the forage samples submitted this summer tested high for nitrates. Safe feeding strategies will be necessary as producers begin to feed hay this winter," said Dona Goede, a livestock specialist with University of Missouri Extension, who will also be instructing at the workshop.

Testing for forage nitrate levels is available through several private laboratories and universities. Hay probes are available for check-out at the Webster County Extension Center for anyone interested in testing their hay.

There is no cost for the workshop, but pre-registration is required by Tuesday, Oct. 26, and, due to room capacity, is limited to the first 45 registrants.

To pre-register, make special arrangement due to a disability, or for more information, contact the Webster County Extension Center at 417-859-2044 or by email at [websterco@missouri.edu](mailto:websterco@missouri.edu). Δ



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