Illinois Pasture Drought Clinic On September 25

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ivestock producers should try to attend the free Illinois Pasture Drought Clinic that will be held in Mt Vernon, IL from 1 to 6 pm on Tuesday, September 25 at the Farm Credit Services building, 410 Potomac BLVD. This conference

brings together experts from the Samuel Roberts Noble Foundation (Ardmore, OK), Dairyland, the USDA and the University of Illinois Extension to meet specific drought educational needs of livestock producers in Illinois.

Dennis Bowman, a University of Illinois commercial agriculture educator will present an overview of the drought and soil moisture trends. Noble Foundation speakers will cover the following topics: pasture management following drought will be covered by Hugh Aljoe, Robert Wells will provide information on livestock nutrition and drought management strategies, and Dan Childs will discuss the eco-

nomic outlook. Chad Stadelinger from Dairyland will discuss alfalfa and hay management strategies for 2012 and 2013.

In addition members from the USDA will give an overview of livestock and pasture, and forage insurance and the effects of cover crops on crop insurance will be addressed by Barry Adkisson (Risk Management Agency) and Bruce Morrison (Farm Service Agency).

Producers can visit with industry experts concerning products and management strategies to recover from the drought of 2012. Additionally producers will have an opportunity to visit with each other to learn from their successes and challenges and exchange ideas.

Seating is limited and advance registration is appreciated. For more details or to register, contact Teresa Steckler at 618-695-4917 or email, tsteckle@illinois.edu. If dietary or disability accommodations are needed, please call in advance. Δ

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