

Three Drought Conferences Set For SW Ark. Ranches

ARKADELPHIA, ARK.

Three meetings to offer drought-coping strategies are scheduled for Aug. 1, 8 and 15 for ranchers southwest Arkansas.

The meetings are:

- Aug. 1 – 6:30 p.m. De Queen, Cossatot Community College-University of Arkansas Ag building

- Aug. 8 – 6:30 p.m. Magnolia, Bancorp South building, Partee Room

- Aug. 15 – 6:30 p.m. Hot Springs, Garland County Fairgrounds.

“Our cattle producers are really being hit hard by this year’s drought,” said Jerry Clemons, Clark County extension staff chair for the University of Arkansas System Division of Agriculture. “We want them to have the tools they need to make solid decisions during this very stressful time.”

There is no cost to attend or pre-event registration.

Each meeting will have the same agenda:

- Stretching Your Hay With Crop Residues and Byproduct Feeds

Paul Beck, Professor, University of Arkansas System Division of Agriculture

- Cattle Management During Drought

Tom Troxel, Associate Dept. Head- Animal Science, University of Arkansas System Division of Agriculture

- Forage Management- From Damage to Recovery

John Jennings, Professor- Forages, University of Arkansas System Division of Agriculture

- Body Condition Score Based Feeding

Shane Gadberry, Associate professor University of Arkansas System Division of Agriculture

The events are sponsored by the University of Arkansas System Division of Agriculture and Farm Credit of Western Arkansas.

For more information about the drought meetings, contact your county extension office.

For more information on coping with drought, visit Arkansas Drought Resources at

The site can be found at <http://arkansas-droughtresourcecenter.wordpress.com/> or the shortlink, <http://wp.me/2zudK>, or contact your county extension office. Δ