





**IREDELL COUNTY CENTER** 

## Livestock News: January 2021



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# Basic Lambing & Kidding

## February 11, 2021 ~ 6:30-8:00 p.m. EST

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March 4, 2021, 7pm REPRODUCTIVE STRATEGIES Speaker: Dr. Brent Scarlett, Scarlett Mobile Large Animal Services

March 11, 2021, 7pm FINISHING BEEF CATTLE ON FORAGES Speaker: Josh Baker, Southeast Agriseeds

March 18, 2021, 7pm EVALUATION OF CARCASS QUALITY IN LIVE CATTLE Speaker: Dr. Ty Lawrence, West Texas A&M University

March 25, 2021, 7pm WARM SEASON FORAGE OPTIONS & RESEARCH UPDATE Speaker: Dr. Deidre Harmon, NC State Extension

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## January Forage Management Tips

- To get maximum use of stockpiled fescue, restrict grazing area (electric cross fencing) so that four to six cows are grazing on an acre.
- If winter pasture is limited, feed hay in the pasture or allow cows to graze every other day. The priority for limited pasture is for (1) calves by creep grazing, (2) stockers, (3) nursing cows, and (4) dry cows.
- Winter annual pastures that were planted on a prepared seedbed may be severely damaged if animals trample on them during wet periods. Allow calves first priority to these high-quality annual pastures.
- Sample hay bales which are stored outside that will be fed during the next four to eight weeks.
- Decide which fields will be re-seeded or overseeded during late winter and early spring; obtain soil test and supplies for planting.
- Lime may be applied on sod during this "off season."
- Keep a record of winter weed problems (especially in alfalfa) so that control measures can be taken next fall. This is the latest month that some herbicides may be used on legumes.
- Determine animal feed requirements for the year (about 6 tons hay equivalent/cow-calf pair) and outline a 12-month forage production and use plan to meet the needs.



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