Manhattan Commission Co. to hold rollover auction

Manhattan Commission Co. will hold a rollover auction in conjunction with their January 12 cow sale to benefit wildfire victims. It will take place at 1 p.m. Items sold will be a \$1000 Fink Beef Genetics bull sale credit; a customized metal sign by Blue Valley FFA and a replacement quality heifer by Kaw River Cattle Co. Please join them January 12 to help fellow beef producers that experienced devastating losses in December. If unable to attend, please contact the sale barn office to donate or leave absentee bids.

Coffee Shop meetings begin January 13

Sericea Lespedeza Control will be the topic on January 13, 2022 at the first session in this year's Coffee Shop series of educational meetings, organized by the Riley County Extension Service. K.C. Olson, KSU professor of Range Beef Nutrition and Management, will be the featured speaker.

Coffee Shop meetings will be held at The Farmhouse in Riley, starting at 10:30 a.m. and adjourning by 12:00 noon every other Thursday from January 13 through February 10.

Meeting dates, topics, and speakers are:

January 13 — Summer Burning and Sericea Con-

trol — K.C. Olson January 27 Live-

Summer Burning and stock Risk Protection and Pasture, Range, Forage Protection — Jenny Ifft, K-State Research & Extension Ag Economist

February 10 — Graz-ing Cover Crops — Dale Strickler, Green Cover Seeds

Coffee Shop meetings are sponsored by the KSU-Riley County Extension Service. Additional sponsors include: Frontier Farm Credit, Copeland Insurance, Riley State Bank, and Farmers and Merchants State Bank of Wakefield.

For more information or to make reservations to attend, contact Riley County Extension agent Greg McClure at 785-537-6350. Or register online at www.rilev.ksu.edu.

Governor directs state agencies to waive fees for farmers, ranchers affected by wildfires

Governor Laura Kelly directed the Kansas Department of Revenue and the Kansas Department of Health and Environment to waive fees for birth certificates, marriage certificates, and vehicle registration. These directives will provide much-needed relief for Kansans who experienced loss of crops, cattle, and their homes due to the wildfires from December 15, 2021 in Ellis, Gove, Graham, Lane, Logan, Ness, Osborne, Rooks, Rush, Russell, Trego, and Wichita counties.

"When I met with the farmers and ranchers who were impacted by the devastating wildfires, they shared with me the financial burden they're up against to rebuild their livelihoods," Kelly said. "Waiving these fees is a commonsense and necessary action this administration can take to help these Kansans recover from the wildfires."

The Division of Vehicles will:

Waive penalties associated with late vehicle registrations;

Waive any fees associated with the reprint or replacement of vehicle registration documentation, printed vehicle certificate of titles, driver's licenses, and/or identification cards:

Issue a temporary driver's license to an applicant who cannot provide valid documentary evidence so long as the applicant provides compelling evidence proving current lawful presence. Any temporary license issued pursuant to this declaration shall be valid for one year. The aid from the Divi-

sion of Vehicles is available until February 28, 2022

In addition, Secretary of Revenue Mark Burghart has waived fees that are typically applied to requests for tax documents from previous years for Kansans affected by the storms. Those requests can be made to Sarah Fulton. Kansas Department of Revenue's records custodian, by email at Sarah. Fulton1@ks.gov.

The Kansas Department of Health and Environment's Office of Vital Statistics will:

Waive fees for one-time replacement of Kansas

birth certificates Waive fees for one-time replacement of Kansas marriage certificates

Affected Kansans should contact the Office of Vital Statistics at 785-296-1400.

The aid from the Office of Vital Statistics is available until February 28, 2022.

Additional information about recovery resources for farmers and ranchers. including mental health resources, can be found on the Kansas Department of Agriculture website.

The Kansas Forest Service estimated that nearly 165,000 acres were impacted by wildfire on December 15.

On December 9, 2021, Governor Kelly declared a State of Disaster Emergency due to the elevated dangers of wildfires. On December 16, 2021, Governor Kelly directed the Kansas National Guard and Kansas Forest Service to deploy aerial assets to the affected areas to assist with fire suppression efforts in multiple counties with active wildfires.

76th annual Pottawatomie **County Conservation District** meeting to be held January 22

Friends of conservation are cordially invited to attend the 76th Annual Meeting of the Pottawatomie County Conservation District on Saturday, January 22, 2022. The event begins with a 12:00 p.m. complimentary meal at the St. Joseph Catholic Parish Hall in Flush followed by the meeting.

One Conservation award winner and the student poster, limerick and essay contests award winners will be honored.

A short business meeting will be held. One supervisor will be elected by secret ballot to hold an office for a term of three years.

Please RSVP for an accurate meal count by Tuesday, January 18, 2022 at (785) 457-3398 or stop by the Pottawatomie County Conservation District office.



		er cattle were		RS — 550-1,0		WED., JAN. 12 • STARTING 11:00 AM
selling at mostly steady prices accord-		Manhattan	5 blk	553@166.50		
ing to quality and condition compared		Olathe	14 blk	586@165.00	FOR A COMPLETE AND UP TO DATE LISTING,	
		ecember 17th.	Alma	12 blk	597@164.00	VISIT OUR WEBSITE AT MCCLIVESTOCK.COM
Cull cows sold \$3-\$5 higher.		Dwight	9 blk	586@161.00		
			Atchinson	7 blk	592@160.00	WILDFIRE ROLLOVER AUCTION STARTING AT 1:00
STEER CA	LVES — 30	0-550 LBS.	linn	34 blk	617@159.50	
Olathe	4 blk	316@221.00	Manhattan	5 blk	630@159.00	SEE WEBSITE FOR AUCTION ITEMS & DONATION INFORMATION
Olathe	15 blk	513@215.00	Soldier	13 blk	599@158.00	
Olathe	5 blk	391@215.00	Leavenworth	4 blk	562@156.00	EARLY CONSIGNMENTS FOR JAN. 14
Soldier	8 blk	548@211.00	Green	13 Cross	642@153.50	• 240 blk strs & hfrs, 2 rds shots, bunk broke, weaned 75 days, 500-700 lbs.
Burns	5 blk	535@208.00	Atchinson	5 blk	647@153.00	• 60 reputation Angus & Red Sim strs, long weaned, 2 rds shots, 650-800 lbs.
Riley	4 blk	520@200.00	Wheaton	23 blk	735@152.75	• 45 choice blk bwf strs, weaned Nov. 1, 2 rds shots, bunk broke, 650-750 lbs.
Oskaloosa	4 blk	542@194.00	Linn	24 blk	713@152.00	• 70 mostly blk Ang, few Red Ang strs & hfrs, weaned 90 days, 2 rds shots, bunk
Green	4 blk	547@187.00	Wheaton	9 blk	649@152.00	broke, 600-700 lbs.
Leavenworth	5 Cross	531@184.00	Alma	17 blk	714@150.75	60 BWF & Blk strs & hfrs, green, long weaned, 450-600 lbs.
			Olsburg	7 Cross	655@145.50	• 160 home raised blk & Char cross strs & hfrs, weaned late Sept., 2 rds shots,
STEER	s — 550-90	00 LBS.	Frankfort	42 Cross	792@143.75	650-850 lbs.
linn	14 blk	550@199.50	Junction City	5 bwf	716@141.00	• 80 choice reputation Ang strs, implant, weaned Sept. 13, 2 rds shots, Zoetis Vac
Olathe	16 blk	628@185.00	Olsburg	7 bwf	711@139.00	 program, poured, 650-700 lbs. 20 choice reputation Ang hfrs, weaned Sept. 13, 2 rds shots, Zoetis vac program,
Burns	21 blk	630@181.50	Olathe	4 blk	572@137.50	poured, 600-625 lbs.
Atchinson	13 Cross	626@181.50	Soldier	8 bwf	945@135.00	• 40 choice Angus replacement quality hfrs, no implants, weaned, 2 rd shots,
Linn	26 blk	665@181.50	Frankfort	5 Cross	1040@125.00	bunk broke, 600-700 lbs.
Alma	10 blk	600@181.00				• 18 Gentle Blk BWF strs, (10) & hfrs (8), 2 rds shots, wormed, bunk & electric
Green	13 Cross	595@180.00	COWS & HEIF	ERETTES —	700-1,625 LBS.	fence broke, 500-650 lbs.
Soldier	15 blk	622@177.00	Wamego	1 blk	720@121.00	 14 Angus strs, long weaned, 2 rds shots, 600-700 lbs.
Green	13 Cross	638@169.00	Onaga	1 blk	1130@95.50	• 38 Angus Gelv cross strs & hfrs, 2 rds shots, long weaned, 600-700 lbs.
Alma	25 blk	699@168.00	Marysville	2 blk	1005@93.00	• 100 Blk Angus & Red Angus strs & hfrs, long weaned, 2 complete rd shots, 500-
Manhattan	22 blk	738@165.50	Onaga	1 blk	1605@69.50	700 lbs.
Wheaton	15 blk	764@164.00	Eudora	1 blk	1580@66.00	 87 RWF, BWF, few Blk strs, weaned Oct. 21, 2 rds shots, 500-535 lbs. 38 Home raised Angus & F1 BWF, out of BJ Angus bull, strs & hfrs weaned Nov.
Alma	14 blk	777@163.75	Onaga	1 blk	1540@65.50	26, 3 rds shots, 550-750 lbs.
Linn	20 blk	741@163.25	Marysville	1 blk	1515@64.50	• 30 Red & Red Baldy strs, 3 rds shots, long weaned, wormed, poured, 550-700 lbs.
Atchinson	5 blk	715@160.00	Eudora	1 blk	1300@61.50	• 4 Red & Red Baldy hfrs, 3 rds shots, long weaned, wormed, poured, 400-450 lbs.
Burns	4 blk	746@157.00	Marysville	1 blk	1385@60.00	• 45 blk bwf few Herf strs & hfrs, weaned Oct. 15, 2 rds shots, 700-800 lbs.
Frankfort	52 Cross	842@156.25	Goff	1 bwf	1415@59.50	• 100 choice reputation Lyons Angus genetics strs & replacement quality hfrs, 2
Frankfort	5 blk	853@156.25	Linn	1 Cross	1110@58.00	rds shots, 650-775 lbs.
Soldier	11 blk	741@156.00	Goff	1 blk	1520@58.00	• 44 blk strs & hfrs, long weaned, 2nd rd shots, 600-750 lbs., no implants.
Olsburg		753@154.00	Goff	1 blk	1280@57.50	• 30 Blk strs & hfrs, 2 rds shots, weaned 11/15, 550-700 lbs.
Dwight	14 Closs 18 blk	887@152.50	Centralia	1 blk	1350@56.00	• 35 homeraised mostly blk & red strs & hfrs, long weaned, 2 rds shots, 550-750 lbs.
Wheaton	24 blk	874@151.10	Linn	1 blk	1275@54.00	• 55 Angus strs & hfrs, long weaned, shots, 550-650 lbs.
Green	5 Cross	725@150.00	Goff	1 blk	1110@54.00	 75 blk, bwf, Red Baldy, & Char cross strs & hfrs, long weaned, complete rd Fall shots, green, 500-700 lbs.
	5 Cross 5 Cross	802@148.25	Centralia	1 blk	1310@45.00	
Olsburg	0 01055	002 140.20	Centralia	1 blk	1015@40.00	EARLY CONSIGNMENTS FOR JAN. 21
HEIFER CA	LVES — 30	0-550 LBS.	20			SELLING AT 11:30
Olathe	4 blk	321@184.00	1	BABY CALVE	S	• 15 Brown Swiss & Brown Swiss Hols cross cows, 6 yrs+, bred to Angus bull for
Olathe	16 blk	496@173.00		blk	@240.00	March & April calves. Will make good nurse cows or family milk cows.
Burns	4 blk	505@172.00		blk	@200.00	• 50 rwf, bwf, few blk hfrs, weaned Oct. 21, 2 rds shots, 450-600 lbs.
Soldier	6 blk	529@170.00		blk	@190.00	• 240 choice rep. blk strs & hfrs, long weaned, 3 rds shots, 500-750 lbs.
Waverly	11 blk	455@169.50			2100100	• 29 gentle Flint Hills origin Red Ang FCCP certified Red Angus strs & hfrs, 2 rds
Waverly	4 blk	386@169.00				Blackleg, Cattlemaster Gold, weaned, bunk broke, 475-525 lbs.
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Kansas Hay Market Report

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Hay market prices for the week ending January 1 remained steady for alfalfa and grass hay, movement is still slow with a little more interest and an increase in the number of trades reported. Although buyers are not panicked, concern increased as the drought continues to deepen. According to the U.S. Drought Monitor for the week of December 28th, a continued expansion of abnormal dryness (D0), moderate drought (D1), and severe drought (D2) were required again this week across much of Kansas due to worsening soil moisture indicators, declining streamflows, and impacts such as cattle sell-offs. Abnormally dry conditions (D0) decreased to 22%, moderate drought (D1) increased to 37%, severe drought (D2) increased to 13% and extreme drought (D3) bumped up slightly to near 1%. Relief efforts for the recent wildfires remain under way and information to help can be found at the Kansas Department of Agriculture website, www.agriculture.ks.gov.

Southwest Kansas

Dairy alfalfa, grinding alfalfa steady, ground and delivered steady, movement slow. Alfalfa: horse, premium small squares 260.00-280.00. Dairy 1.05-1.10/point RFV, Supreme 195.00-250.00.00, Premium 180.00-205.00, Good 155.00-185.00. Stock or Dry Cow 185.00-195.00. Grinding alfalfa 180.00-185.00. Ground and delivered locally to feed lots and dairies, 195.00-205.00; Grass Hay: Bluestem, small squares 8.00/bale, 3x4's and 4x4's 85.00-95.00, large rounds 75.00/bale; Brome, none reported; Sudan: none reported; Wheat: large straw rounds 60.00-75.00. Corn stalks: large round 75.00 delivered. The week of 12/26-01/01, 11,915T of grinding alfal-

fa and 125T of dairy alfalfa was reported bought/sold. South Central Kansas

Dairy alfalfa, alfalfa pellets, ground and delivered, grinding alfalfa steady movement slow. Alfalfa: horse, small squares 255.00-275.00. Dairy 1.05-1.10/point RFV, Supreme 195.00-250.00.00, Premium 180.00-205.00, Good 155.00-185.00. Good, Stock cow, 170.00-180.00. Fair/good grinding alfalfa 155.00-165.00 delivered. Ground and delivered 185.00-195.00. Alfalfa pellets: Sun cured 15 pct protein 230.00-240.00, 17 pct protein 240.00-250.00, Dehydrated 17 pct 310.00-315.00. Grass Hay: Bluestem, large rounds 80.00-90.00, large squares 100.00-110.00. Brome: large round 95.00-100.00, large squares 110.00-120.00. Oat hay, good large rounds 120.00-125.00, good 3x4 squares 130.00-135.00. Sudan: large rounds 85.00-95.00. Corn stalks: large rounds 70.00-75.00 delivered. The week of 12/26-01/01, 7,008 T of grinding alfalfa and 532T of dairy alfalfa was reported bought/sold.

Southeast Kansas

Dairy alfalfa, grinding alfalfa steady, grass hay steady; movement slow. Alfalfa: horse or goat, 260.00-270.00. Dairy 1.00-1.05/point RFV. Good, stock cow 180.00-190.00, with an instance of premium stock cow 220.00-240.00. Fair/Good grinding alfalfa, none reported. Ground and delivered, none reported; Grass hay: Bluestem, small squares 120.00-130.00, good 3x3 squares 115.00-125.00, good, 3x4 and 4x4 squares 100.00-110.00, large rounds 70.00-85.00. Brome, good, small squares none reported, 3x4 to 4x4 squares 115.00-125.00, large rounds 85.00-95.00. Wheat Straw: 3x4 and 4x4 squares 60.00-80.00. The week of 12/26-01/01, 1,145 T of grass hay was reported bought/sold.

Northwest Kansas

Dairy alfalfa, grinding alfalfa, ground/delivered steady, movement slow. Alfalfa: Horse or goat, small squares 300.00-400.00 delivered. Dairy, Premium/Su-

preme 1.05-1.10/point RFV. Stock cow, fair/good 175.00-185.00. Fair/good grinding alfalfa, 170.00-180.00. Oat hay, 3x3 square 135.00-145.00; Sudan, none reported. Wheat straw, large squares 75.00-85.00.

North Central-Northeast Kansas

Dairy alfalfa, grass hay, grinding alfalfa, ground/delivered steady, movement slow. Alfalfa: horse, premium small squares, 9.00-10.00/bale. Dairy 1.05-1.10/point RFV, Supreme 195.00-250.00.00, Premium 180.00-205.00, Good 155.00-185.00. Stock Cow, 160.00-170.00. Fair/good, grinding alfalfa 140.00-150.00; Ground and delivered 165.00-175.00. Grass hay: Bluestem, small squares 6.50-7.00/bale, large 3x4 to 4x4 squares, 130.00-140.00 delivered, good, large rounds 90.00-100.00, Brome, small squares 7.25-8.00/bale, 3x4 to 4x4 squares none reported, large rounds 90.00.00-105.00; Wheat Straw: Small squares 5.00-6.00/bale, Large 3x4 to 4x4 squares 85.00-100.000. Certified weed free grass mulch large rounds, 80.00-90.00. The week of 12/26-01/01, 1,065T of grinding alfalfa and, 227T of dairy alfalfa was reported bought/ sold.

** Prices above reflect the average price. There could be prices higher and lower than those published.

***Prices are dollars per ton and FOB unless otherwise noted. Dairy alfalfa prices are for mid and large squares unless otherwise noted. Horse hay is in small squares unless otherwise noted. Prices are from the most recent sales. *CWF Certified Weed Free

*RFV calculated using the Wis/Minn formula.

**TDN calculated using the Western formula. Quantitative factors are approximate, and many factors can affect feeding value. Values based on 100% dry matter (TDN showing both 100% & 90%). Guidelines are to be used with visual appearance and intent of sale (usage).

Source: Kansas Department of Agriculture - Manhattan, Kansas, Kim Nettleton 785-564-6709.

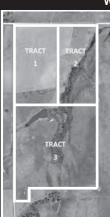
KLA comments on Biden plan for competition in livestock markets

Last week the Biden administration announced its plan to spend \$1 billion in American Rescue Funds to expand independent meat processing capacity as part of a broader initiative. According to U.S. Ag Secretary Tom Vilsack, the funds will allow USDA to provide gap financing grants for independent processing plant projects, work with lenders to make more capital available to independent processors

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The plan also mentions implementing stronger rules under the Packers and Stockyards Act (PSA). While details are gravely lacking on how the administration will exercise greater enforcement, one point in the plan is to issue new regulations under PSA to redefine terms like "unfair, unjustly discriminatory, or deceptive" and "undue or unreasonable preference or advantage" and clarify that parties do not need to demonstrate harm to competition to bring an action under PSA. Such a rulemaking would revoke or substantively change a Trump administration rule supported by KLA.

KLA opposes any attempt to remove the harm-to-competition re-

Removing quirement. this requirement would endanger marketing arrangements widely used by Kansas cattle producers. PSA was written to prevent injury to the overall functioning of markets. not place USDA in a position to decide whether individual circumstances were disadvantageous to a particular market participant. In other words, the harm-to-competition portion of Vilsack's announcement is an attempt to ensure equal outcomes instead of equal opportunities. It is questionable whether USDA can make such a proposal, as eight federal circuit courts of appeal have held PSA requires a finding of harm to competition and Congress has rejected amendments to make such a change to the Act in the past.

KLA and NCBA are committed to ensuring producers can market their cattle as they see fit, including having access to value-based marketing options. Both organizations will remain actively engaged as details develop.

Kansas Commodity Classic to be held Jan. 28

The Kansas Commod- at 8 ity Classic is the annual rem

convention of Kansas' top crops – corn, wheat, grain sorghum and soybeans, and will take place at the Hilton Garden Inn, 3320 South 9th Street, Salina, with registration and breakfast beginning at 7:30 a.m. Thanks to the generous support of the Kansas corn, wheat, grain sorghum and soybean associations and our sponsors, registration is free for farmers and friends.

The Kansas Classic will be emceed by Greg Akagi, ag director for 580 WIBW Radio and the Kansas Radio Networks. The morning session will open

od- at 8:30 a.m. with welcome ual remarks.

Chief meteorologist Ross Janssen from KWCH in Wichita will provide a weather/climate outlook. and David Brock from Brock Associates will give a market update. Brock's primary role is to work with producers and commercial buyers on commodity marketing strategies. As a part of a family business, Brock handles various additional roles including business planning, event planning/marketing, speaking and developing grain marketing

strategies. Elected officials have been invited to give a U.S. Congressional update on the upcoming farm bill and other pertinent issues affecting Kansas farmers. Gregg Doud, vice pres-

ident of global situational awareness and chief economist with Aimpoint Research, will end the day with a trade update. Prior to joining Aimpoint Research, Doud served in the office of the U.S. Trade Representative as chief agricultural negotiator with the rank of U.S. Ambassador. He was one of the primary architects of the U.S.-China Phase One trade agreement. As a senior staff member of the Senate Agriculture Committee, Doud helped craft the 2012 Senate Farm Bill working on international trade, food aid, livestock and oversight of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission. Raised on a to be involved in his family's 100-year-old farm and is a partner in a commercial cow-calf operation.

The Kansas Commodity Classic is hosted by the Kansas Corn Growers Association, Kansas Association of Wheat Growers, Kansas Grain Sorghum Producers Association and Kansas Soybean Association. The Kansas Bankers Association is the signature sponsor. Platinum level sponsors are Farm Credit Associations of Kansas and Kansas Department of Agriculture.

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Winter weaning considerations – operation works with the environment and behavior to ease weaning stress

By Heather Smith Thomas, Angus Beef Bulletin

A growing number of stockmen are calving in April, May or June on grass rather than in the harsher months of January, February or March. Calving in May-June works great, but creates the question: When do you wean the calves? They may be a little young for traditional weaning in October or November. Some producers are leaving calves with the cows through most of the winter and weaning in February or March. This often necessitates different management strategies

Late weaning works well for people who graze through winter on cornstalks, stockpiled pastures, windrowed feed, bale grazing or some other winter forage option. If cattle can be out on pasture eating forage of some kind rather than confined (especially the calves), they stay healthier. Some people think that when weather is cold, the calves won't perform very well if wintered with their mothers on forage, but experience indicates the contrary. Plus, if the cows won't be calving again until May or early June, they have adequate time to recover from lactation

Trevor Branvold says a few years ago they started providing a creep area for calves — but not for feeding grain. It is a place where the calves can get

bunk broke, 500-700#

away from the cows and eat higher-quality hay.

Trevor and Cheryl Branvold raise registered Angus near Wawota, Sask., Canada. They manage 150 pairs and market two-yearold bulls. They calve in May and June, so they hold those bull calves to sell in March just before they turn two, Trevor explains.

The couple wanted to get away from winter calving, since their typically cold winters were hard on newborns. Those May-June calves do very well in winter with their mothers.

A few years ago they started providing a creep area for calves, Trevor says, but not for feeding grain. It is a place where the calves can get away from the cows and eat higher-quality hay during the winter. The cows get a straw-based ration and grain pellets.

"We can bed the calves in the creep area during severe weather if we have to, but we have enough brush around the area that they generally have adequate shelter," Trevor says. "They can go off with their mothers into the bush."

The creep area is actually part of the home corral that the cows come into for water and pellets.

"We put a creep gate in the gateway into an adjacent pen. We put hay bales and bedding in there for the calves to come and go as they wish," he explains. "When we wean, we just close the gate when we feed their hay, and the calves are all in there. They don't realize there's anything different until they want to go back to their mothers and the gate is closed."

This is very stress-free weaning; the calves are in a familiar place with familiar feed. They haven't been stressed by being sorted, and the cows are nearby, through the fence. The practice has proven to work well for the Branvolds and may be a strategy for others to consider.

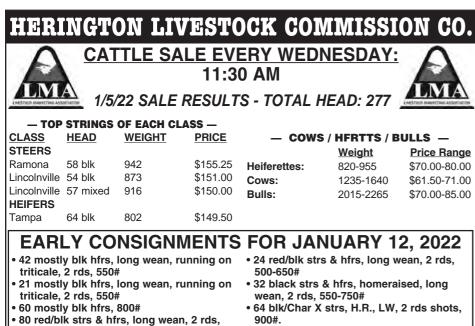
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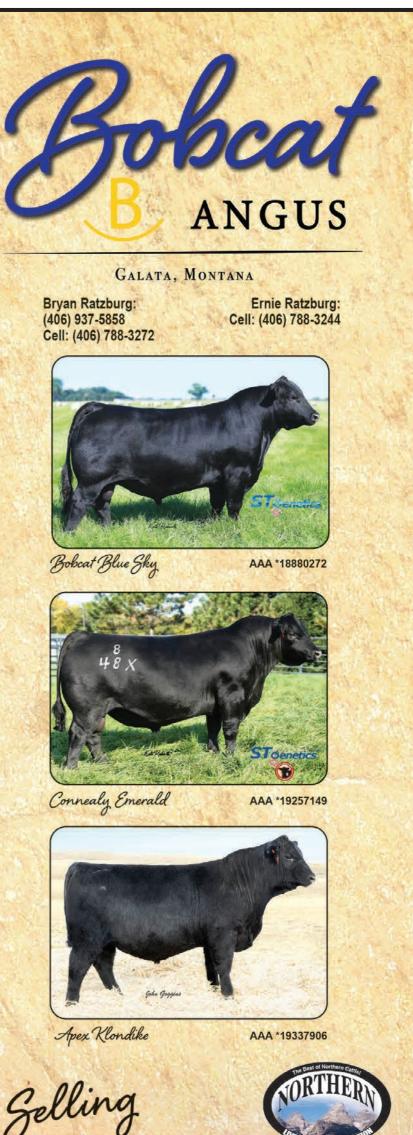


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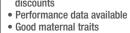
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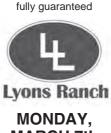


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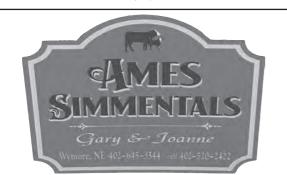
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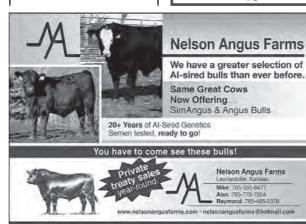
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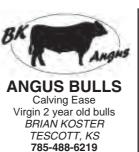
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"Planning for and start-

ing vegetable and flower

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ture expert Ward Upham,

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the state of Kansas and

this is a good place to

start when deciding what

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"However, also talk to your

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Additional tips include:

Determine the 'Date

to Seed' when purchasing

seeds. Gardeners who start

growing plants indoors

should also know their tar-

get date for transplanting

outside. For example, late

March and early April is

the target date for trans-

planting broccoli, cabbage,

cauliflower and onions;

most annual flowers are

not planted until May 10

Do not use garden soil

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Seed must be kept moist to germinate. Water often enough so that the media never dries. "Using a clear plastic wrap over the top of the container can reduce the amount of watering needed," Upham said. "Remove the wrap after the seedlings emerge."

Many plants will germinate in darkness or light, but some require darkness only. All plants require adequate amounts of light once emergence occurs. South-facing windows may not provide enough light, so fluorescent or LED lights may be needed.

The temperature best for germination is often higher than what we commonly keep inside homes. "Moving the container to the ceiling or top of a refrigerator can help, but a heating mat is best for consistent germination," Upham said.

Plants react to movement. Brushing over the plants with your hand stimulates them to become more stocky and less 'leggy,' according to Upham. Try 20 brushing strokes per day, he said.

Harden plants by moving them outside and exposing them to sun and wind before transplanting occurs. Start gradually two weeks out and increase the number of hours and degrees of exposure over the two-week period.

Upham and his colleagues in K-State's Department of Horticulture and Natural Resources produce a weekly Horticulture Newsletter with tips for maintaining home landscapes. The newsletter is available to view online or can be delivered by email each week.

Interested persons can also send their gardenand yard-related questions to Upham at wupham@ksu. edu, or contact your local Extension office.







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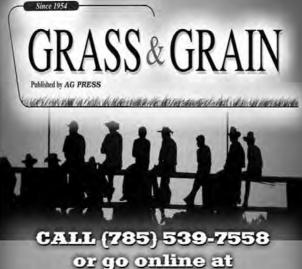
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Letter to the Editor & GRAIN GRASS

Incomplete climate science has pushed us toward the wrong solutions

An Op-Ed by **Margy Stewart**

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Kansas rural areas are filling up with industrial wind turbines, all in the name of saving us from climate change.

But climate science is in the process of self-correcting, raising the possibility that utility-scale wind is creating more problems than it solves.

Climate science has long been hampered by a lack of input from biodiversity experts.

"People who know the most about climate science are often atmospheric scientists who don't study biodiversity science beyond grad school," says Eric Dinerstein, former chief scientist for the World Wildlife Fund and current head of the research institute RESOLVE. "Climate scientists and biodiversity scientists need to come together to form one field of 'earth science."

Now two international bodies are trying to do exactly that.

The Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change and the Intergovernmental Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services, in a first-ever collaboration, have created a working group and issued a joint report.

"Biodiversity loss and climate change are inseparable threats to humanity that must be addressed together," the report states, "but in practice they are largely addressed in their own domains."

The result can be bad policy: "Measures intended to facilitate adaptation to one aspect of climate change without consider-

ing other aspects of sustainability may in practice be maladaptive and result in unforeseen detrimental outcomes."

In particular, the scientists warn against "any measures that focus too narrowly on climate change," such as "renewable energies" that require environmentally destructive mining and that "consume large amounts of land."

With this warning, the scientists are targeting an inherent feature of wind technology: Wind is a dilute fuel that cannot be concentrated in small areas.

"The power density of renewable power is one to two orders of magnitude lower than that for fossil fuel power, meaning that renewable power requires at least ten times more land area per unit of power produced," according to experts.

Indeed in many parts of Kansas, turbines stretch as far as the eye can see. The wind industry's violations of Kansas's wildlife-protective guidelines perhaps derive simply from this feature. Is it even possible, anywhere in Kansas, to avoid impinging on wildlife if you must cover tens of thousands of rural acres with moving machines, pulsing infrasound, and flashing lights? This land-expensive

technology is especially damaging given the solutions the report sets forward. To solve the two crises together, the report recommends preserving and restoring our native ecosystems

In Kansas this means prairies.

Outside of the Flint Hills "box," the wind industry has already dug up and fragmented large parts of our native prairies. These are the very prairies we need to be intact and vibrant if we are to solve both crises.

A second inherent feature of wind energy, its intermittency, also turns

Grass & Grain, January 11, 2022 the technology from a solution to a liability. A "wind drought" - long periods of calm during which turbines produce little electricity — is one of several factors creating the current global energy crisis.

With renewables missing in action, countries around the world are scrambling to secure supplies of fossil fuels. Meanwhile, the world works to transition away from fossil fuels.

Divestment campaigns, state mandates, federal policy all have discouraged investment in oil, coal, and gas.

"If you try and raise money to drill holes, it's almost impossible to get that money," says Stephen Schwarzman, the CEO of investment firm Blackstone.

Thus, increased demand is now chasing dwindling supply, leading to power cuts, panic-buying, and a spike in prices.

"This has created huge problems for industries that use large amounts of electricity. With winter approaching, simply heating offices, factories or even nurseries may become too expensive for many busi-

Page 19 nesses," according to a report from the U.K.

Leading turbine manufacturers Vestas and Orsted are both in financial trouble, partly due to the wind drought.

Given shortages and high prices, grid-operators are turning once again to coal.

"Coal returns from the dead to power the world as renewables fall short.' states a report in Market-Watch.

U.S. coal is almost sold out through 2022, coal production is up around the world, and shuttered mines are reopening.

Therefore, carbon emissions are rising.

"What we are seeing is that we've got no wind and we are forced to fire up polluting coal-fired generation," says Stefan Konstantinov, an energy analyst in the UK. "This is very much driven by the intermittent nature of renewables."

What a trifecta! The wind industry is exacerbating climate, biodiversity and energy crises all at the same time.

Why are we subsidizing policies that make things worse?

Lamb Checkoff reaches consumers through digital platforms

The American Lamb Board (ALB) provides educational resources and information to consumers largely through digital platforms. Traditional print brochures serve as a foundation of checkoff-funded information, but many key audience targets are seeking information on a digital device in the palm of their hand.

"Videos, photos and virtual events allow us to engage with consumers in the digital space," says Gwen Kitzan, ALB chair. "We have a great story to share, and these social media platforms offer a way to provide that narrative about our product that

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consumers are seeking." The YouTube platform

provides a familiar space for consumers to watch videos about selecting and cooking American Lamb. Another way ALB connects with consumers through this video-based platform is sharing the story of those who raise American Lamb. The library of videos on the American Lamb channel features producers, chefs, food bloggers and many more.

With more than two billion monthly users worldwide, Instagram is a highly relevant platform to reach a large segment of key audiences. ALB recipes and messages reach consum-

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ers with seasonal promotions and contests through images and digital stories.

One of the more traditional digital platforms that stands the test of time is ALB's consumer website, AmericanLamb. com. The site has evolved over time to stay relevant to consumers' needs and ALB's objectives. This

space provides a home for a collection of consumer resources such as cooking information, nutrition facts, knowledge for chefs and more.

ALB will continue working through these digital platforms to engage with consumers and share information to build demand for American Lamb.



Watch for the Kids Corner next Kid's Corner in the February 15th edition! N-----Cows stay with their calves until they are Safe and proper fencing are important Pen #3 m for all farm animals. If a fence isn't tall Pen #1 weaned between 6 to 8 months of age. There were 8 cows and 8 calves in the pen; 4 calves were moved enough, is broken, or a gate left open, animals can escape. to another pen for weaning. How many cows and calves are left Twenty-two cows were in a pen; eight jumped over a broken in the pen? fence. How many cows are left in the pen



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Grass & Grain, January 11, 2022 Page 20 Marshall introduces Bona Fide Beef Branding Act Sen.

U.S. Senator Roger Marshall, M.D. (KS) introduced the Bona Fide Beef Branding Act to help ranchers distinguish their product in the meat case in grocery stores nationwide. This legislation would direct the U.S. Depart of Agri-

"Product of the USA" meat label and instead create three new voluntary labels to address consumer confusion.

"To me, it is clear that the current 'Product of the USA' label for beef

culture to eliminate the rate information to consumers and fails to help American ranchers distinguish their product in the meat case," said Marshall. "Not only are descriptive labels more accurate, but they will help U.S. ranchers differenti-

and nutritious beef they raise. It is preeminently important that meat labels are clear and accurate in a way that leaves little question in consumers' minds."

Background:

This legislation fol-

coming "Product of USA" labeling rules so that consumers can better understand where their meat comes from. Marshall also sent a letter to U.S. Secretary of Agriculture Tom Vilsack does not convey accu- ate the wholesome, safe, lows the White House's in September, encourag-

announcement on up- ing him to eliminate the label and replace it with more specific labels. In July, USDA announced the initiation of a topto-bottom review of the "Product of USA" label to help guide the upcoming rulemaking on the subject.

USDA offers disaster assistance to Kansas farmers and livestock producers impacted by wildfires and drought

agricultural operations have been significantly impacted by recent wildfires and ongoing severe drought. The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) has technical and financial assistance available to help farmers and livestock producers recover. Impacted producers should contact their local USDA Service Center to report losses and learn more about program options available to assist in their recovery from crop, land, infrastructure and livestock losses and damages.

"Production agriculture is vital to the Kansas economy, and USDA stands ready to assist in the recovery from these wildfires and extreme drought conditions," said Robert Bonnie, under secretary for Farm Production and Conservation (FPAC). "I assure you that USDA employees are working diligently to deliver FPAC's extensive portfolio of disaster assistance programs and services to all impacted agricultural producers."

USDA Disaster Assistance for Wildfire and Drought Recovery

Producers who experience livestock deaths or sell injured livestock at reduced prices as a result of wildfires may be eligible for the Livestock Indemnity Program (LIP).

Meanwhile, for both wildfire and drought recoverv. the Emergency Assistance for Livestock, Honeybees, and Farm-Raised Fish Program (ELAP) provides eligible producers assistance for feed losses as well as water hauling and feed transportation and expenses. For ELAP. producers will need to file a notice of loss within 30 days and honeybee losses within 15 days. An online tool is now available to help ranchers document and estimate payments to cover feed transportation costs caused by wildfire and drought.

Additionally, eligible orchardists and nursery tree growers may be eligible for cost-share assistance through the Tree Assistance Program (TAP) to replant or rehabilitate eligible trees, bushes or vines lost during the drought. This complements Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance Program (NAP) or crop insurance coverage, which covers the crop but not the plants or trees in all cases. For TAP, a program application must be filed within 90 days.

"Once you are able to safely evaluate the wildfire or drought impact on your operation, be sure to contact your local FSA office to timely report all crop, livestock and farm infrastructure damages and losses," said Charles (Chuck) Pettijohn, acting state executive director for the Farm Service Agency (FSA) in Kansas. "To expedite FSA disaster assistance, you will likely need to provide documents, such as farm records, herd inventory, receipts and pictures of damages or losses"

FSA also offers a variety of direct and guaranteed farm loans, including operating and emergency farm loans, to producers unable to secure commercial financing. Producers in counties with a primary or contiguous disaster designation may be eligible for low-interest emergency loans to help them recover from production and physical losses. Loans can help producers replace essential property, purchase inputs like livestock, equipment, feed and seed, cover family living expenses or refinance farm-related debts and other needs. In addition to loan making, USDA offers loan servicing options for borrowers who are unable to make scheduled payments on their USDA farm loan debt because of reasons beyond their control.

Risk Management

Producers who have risk protection through Federal Crop Insurance or FSA's NAP should report crop damage to their crop insurance agent or FSA office. If they have crop insurance, producers should report crop damage to their agent within 72 hours of damage discovery and follow up in writing within 15 days. For NAP covered crops, a Notice of Loss(CCC-576) must be filed within 15 days of the loss becoming apparent, except for hand-harvested crops, which should be reported within 72 hours.

"Crop insurance and other USDA risk management options are there to help producers manage risk because we never know what nature has in store for the future," said Collin Olsen, director of RMA's Regional Office that covers Kansas. "The Approved Insurance Providers, loss adjusters and agents are experienced and well trained in handling these types of events."

Conservation

Outside of the primary nesting season, emergency and non-emergency haying and grazing of Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) acres may be authorized to provide relief to livestock producers in areas affected by a severe drought or similar natural disasters. Producers interested in having or grazing of CRP acres should contact their county FSA office to determine eligibility.

The Emergency Conservation Program (ECP) and Emergency Forest Restoration Program (EFRP) can assist landowners and forest stewards with financial and technical assistance to restore fencing. damaged farmland or forests. In addition, ECP supports emergency conservation measures in periods of severe drought.

USDA's Natural Re-Conservation sources Service (NRCS) is always available to provide technical assistance in the recovery process by assisting producers to plan and implement conservation practices on farms, ranches and working forests impacted by natural disasters

Farmers and ranchers can obtain technical and financial assistance to assist in properly disposing of livestock mortality, using a practice called Animal Mortality Management, through an emergency effort via Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP). Additionally, NRCS will look for opportunities to work with landowners to re-apply conservation practices established through EQIP that failed due to the wildfires and drought.

Producers that experienced livestock losses are encouraged to file an EQIP application with their local NRCS field office. Through EQIP. farmers and ranchers can apply for Emergency Animal Mortality Management. This practice can assist with rendering, incineration, and/or carcass burial costs.

Long-term damage from wildfires and drought includes forage production loss in pastures and fields and increased wind erosion on crop fields not protected with soil health practices. Producers should visit their local USDA Service Center to learn more about these impacts, potential recovery tactics, and how to take steps to make their land more resilient to drought in the future.

"USDA can be a verv valuable partner to help landowners with their

Communities

local government sponsors with the cost of addressing watershed impairments or hazards such as damaged upland sites stripped of vegetation by wildfire, debris removal and streambank stabilization.

Eligible sponsors include cities, counties, towns, or any federally recognized Native American tribe or tribal organization. Sponsors must submit a formal request (via mail or email) to the state conservationist for assistance within 60 days of the natural disaster occurrence or 60 days from the date when access to the sites become available. For more information, sponsors should contact the local NRCS office.

"EWP provides immediate assistance to communities to mitigate potential hazards to life and property resulting from the fires and particularly the severe erosion and flooding that can occur after the fire," Woodrich said. "We can work with a local sponsor to help a damaged watershed so that lives and property are protected while preventing further devastation in the community."

In addition to EWP, Conservation Technical Assistance is another valuable service that NRCS can provide following a wildfire. NRCS technical assistance can help fire victims with planning cost-effective post fire restoration practices.

More Information

On farmers.gov, the Drought Recovery Assistance Page, Disaster Assistance Discovery Tool. Disaster Assistance-ata-Glance fact sheet, and Farm Loan Discovery Tool can help producers and landowners determine program or loan options. For assistance with a crop insurance claim, producers and landowners should contact their crop insurance agent. For FSA and NRCS programs, they should contact their local





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The Joe Chute

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A special shipment is arriving from the United States. It is a working chute for cattle - but not just for any cattle: This is a chute designed for Texas longhorns. Now customers are discovering the chute is excellent for handling other types of animals as well

Last week we met Joe Sedlacek, owner of Lazy J Longhorns near Greenleaf. Since 2008, he has been working full-time at raising world record-setting Texas Longhorns. One of Joe's home-raised steers was a three-time world champion because of the

Let's go Down Under to steer's long horns. Joe continues to raise and market longhorn steers and breeding stock. He also uses a registered Charolais bull to cross with certain longhorns. This produces a beefy, naturally hornless calf which is excellent for the market. "It also keeps the quali-

> longhorn herd," Joe said. Joe points out that there are several advantages of the longhorn breed, perhaps because they originated in the wilds of Texas more than a century ago.

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"Their eating habits are more like a goat than a cow," Joe said. "They will eat more types of vegetation than a typical beef cow, so I can run more longhorns per acre than straight Angus. Longhorns are really good moms and are really intelligent."

As with other animals, longhorns need occasional vaccinations and other herd health procedures. Many cattleman have metal working chutes and head gates to hold the cattle still while they get their shots

"No head gate is going to work with a steer with ten-foot-long horns," Joe said. He sought to design a better system for handling his longhorn cattle.

He had a welder come out to adapt his existing working chute. "I said, 'Could you change this and add this and this?

"The welder said, 'Why don't you build what's in your head as a new one instead?" Joe said. So Joe sketched out the design he had in mind and a new one was built. "I worked for five years trying to perfect it." Joe said.

"Safety of the animal and the operator was my first priority," Joe said. He ended up with a system of panels in a clamshell design that can enclose the animal, using vertical bars and a nine-grid pattern to hold in place an animal of virtually any size.

"I had no idea of selling these, but everybody who saw me use one wanted one," Joe said. It became a business.

In order to differentiate it from chutes made by other builders, they started calling it the Joe Chute. The name stuck. In 2016, the Joe Chute was named the official working chute of the Texas Longhorn Breeders Association of America.

Unlike some chutes that have clanging handles, the Joe Chute is quiet. The gates can be adjusted to fit animals of almost any size, down to a baby calf.

"When you hold them tightly in place, it can calm them down," Joe said. "I know a guy who brands wild horses in it." Temple Grandin, the animal welfare scientist, has even certified the Joe Chute.

Commercial beef producers have become interested in the chute. Uses have branched out to include exotic animals as well. "Anheuser-Busch has

Grass & Grain, January 11, 2022 one of these in St. Louis working that they use for cattle and elk." Joe said. "The zoo in Pueblo, Colo. uses theirs for zebras and camels and I expect other zoos will want them as well."

Hundreds of the chutes have been produced and shipped as far away as Alberta. Canada and Australia. It's an impressive record for a company based in the rural community of Greenleaf, population 331 people. Now, that's rural.

For more information, go to www.lazvilonghorns. com/Joe-Longhorn-Chute. It's time to leave Aus-

tralia where a

Page 21 working chute has arrived from halfway around the globe in rural Kansas. We commend Joe Sedlacek for making a difference with his innovation and entrepreneurship. With demand for these chutes coming from as far away as Down Under, it can help this business stay on top.

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Recently the U.S. Trade Representative announced that the United States has prevailed in the first dispute settlement panel proceeding under the United States-Mexico-Canada Agreement The panel (USMCA). agreed with the United States that Canada is unfairly restricting access to its market for U.S. dairy products by breaching its USMCA commitments regarding allocation of

dairy tariff rate quotas. "This ruling is a big step for the U.S. dairy sector towards realizing the full benefits of the USMCA and securing real access to the Canadian market for additional high-quality American dairy products such as milk, cheese and skim milk powder," said agriculture secretary Tom Vilsack.

"In order for trade deals to be effective and have the trust of the American people, they must be enforced," he continued. "Today's action reflects the Biden-Harris administration's deep commitment to enforcing the USMCA and to ensuring that trade rules work for American farmers, ranchers and producers. It also signals to our trading partners that that the United States will stand firm against unjustified trade

restrictions and continue ensure that we have full fighting on behalf of our and fair access to foreign farmers and workers to markets."



Tues., Feb. 8th - Calf/Yearling Special LL WEIGH COWS & BULLS SELL AT THE END

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LIVESTOCK AUCTION, INC. 316-320-3212 Fax: 316-320-7159 2595 SE Highway 54, P.O. Box 622, El Dorado, KS 67042 Market Report - Sale Date 1-6-22. 1350 Head

300-400 lb. steers, \$194-\$216; heifers, \$150-\$184; 400-500 lb. steers, \$181-\$215; heifers, \$145-\$180; 500-600 lb. steers, \$167-\$197; heifers, \$140-\$177; 600-700 lb. steers, \$136-\$178; heifers, \$122-\$162; 700-800 lb. steers, \$134-\$162; heifers, \$116-\$152.50; 800-900 lb. steers, \$127-\$159.50; heifers, no test; 900-1,000 lb. steers, \$137.50-\$152.20. Trend on Calves: Strs & hfrs both generally \$10-\$15 higher than Dec. 16; instances up to \$20 higher. Trend on Feeder Cattle: Steady on feeder hfrs, feeder strs, steady-\$8 lower. Butcher Cows: high dressing cows \$65-\$78.50; Avg. dressing cows \$52-\$62; low dressing cows \$30-\$45. Butcher Bulls: Avg. to high dressing bulls \$54-\$86. Trend on Cows & Bulls: Steady w/firmer undertone.

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	HEIFERS	7 blk	482@209.50
16 blk	439@180.00	10 blk	520@197.00
15 blk	519@172.50	34 blk	589@186.50
19 mix	574@163.50	26 blk	617@178.00
56 blk	592@162.00	16 blk	691@167.50
15 blk	649@153.00	19 blk	756@161.50
12 mix	721@150.00	58 blk	803@159.50
28 mix	782@152.50	22 blk	842@156.00
13 blk	921@139.50	60 mix	908@151.60
	STEERS	56 blk	943@152.20
3 blk	410@215.00		

Thursday, January 13, 11:00 AM

2 loads mostly black steers, 800-850lbs

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On Thursday, January 6th, we had 377 head of cattle on an active market.

STEERS		11 bkbwf 695@157.25		7 bkRd 424@150.00		
2 bkbwf	513@185.00			7 bkbwf	656@145.50	
6 bkRd	589@169.00	HEIFERS		63 bkRd 863@145.00		
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7 bkbwf	646@162.00	4 bwfwf	399@163.00			
7 bkbwf	731@161.50	2 bkbwf	583@154.00	BULLS		
3 bkbwf	710@160.00	6 blk	578@152.00	5 bwfwf	474@171.00	
10 bkRd	787@159.00	7 bwfwf	721@151.00	6 Xbrd	533@144.00	

Butcher Cows: \$47-\$77, mostly \$62-\$72; \$1-3 higher, very active.

Butcher Bulls: \$75-\$96.50, mostly \$82-\$89; \$1-3 higher, very active.

	BUTCHER	COWS	1 blk	1495@72.50	
1	Red	1130@77.00	BUTCHER BULLS		
1	blk	1600@75.50	1 Limo	1985@96.50	
1	Char	1770@74.00	1 blk	1950@91.00	
1	blk	1920@74.00	1 blk	1650@89.00	
1	blk	1450@73.50	1 blk	1520@88.00	
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Page 22 Grass & Grain, January 11, 2022 K-State Swine Profitability Conference set for February 8

Kansas State University will host the 2022 Swine Profitability Conference on Tuesday, Feb. 8 at the Stanley Stout Center in Manhattan.

Organizers said the annual conference focuses on the business side of pork production.

"Important swine business topics - such as the global pork outlook, positioning your system for the future and employee sourcing - will be discussed this year, along with highlighting two growing swine businesses in our state," said Mike Tokach, a University Distinguished Professor and swine specialist with K-State Research and Extension.

Crop Production & Protection - Feb. 15th

Farm Building Issue - March 1st

Equifest Issue - March 8th

Salina Farm Show Issue - March 15th

Bring on Spring - March 22nd

Hay & Grazing - April 5th

Ag Tech - April 19th

DEADLINES:

Crop Prod. & Prot. - Wed., Feb. 9th, before Noon

Farm Building - Wed., Feb. 23rd, before Noon

Equifest - Wed., March 2nd, before Noon

Salina Farm Show - Wed., March 9th, before Noon

Bring on Spring - Wed., March 16th, before Noon

Hay & Grazing - Wed., March 30th, before Noon

Ag Tech - Wed., April 13th, before Noon

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UPCOMING SPECIAL

This conference designed for producers to increase their competitiveness in today's swine industry.

Those scheduled to present at this year's event include:

Joe Kerns, CEO/ and founder of Partners for Production Agriculture at New Horizon Farms, who

will address the U.S. Global Meat and Pork Outlook. Tim Schwartz and

Annie Lerner of Schwartz Farms Inc., who will discuss entering the pork industry and their family's business.

Daryl Olsen of the Audubon-Manning Veterinary Clinic, who will talk about growth and success within the swine industry.

Cassie Jones and Jason Woodworth of Kansas State University, who will discuss student success in swine industry careers.

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Dunn Family, Dunn Swine LLC, who will share their story and how they are continuing their family's legacy.

'We feel the speakers for the 32nd annual profitability conference are industry leaders with diverse backgrounds and understanding of the swine industry," said K-State Research and Extension swine specialist Joel DeRouchey. "They will provide take-home information for swine producers and allied industry partners alike.

The Stanley Stout Center is located at 2200 Denison Avenue in Manhattan. The day begins with coffee and donuts at 9:15 a.m. and the program at 9:30 a.m. Lunch is included in the conference, which will end at 3 p.m.

Pre-registration is \$25 per participant and due by Jan. 28. Attendees can register at the door for \$50 per participant. More information, including online registration, is available at KSUSwine.org or contact Lois Schreiner at 785-532-1267 or lschrein@ksu.edu.

State treasurer offers economic recovery loans to rebuild from wildfires

Kansas State Treasurer Lynn Rogers understands that ranchers and farmers facing hardship after the Dec. 15 fires in the state are beginning the long road to recovery.

"We are here to provide support for Kansans that

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Events

Calendar

January

Roping clinic followed by

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will need long-term aid to rebuild and recover," said Rogers. "This isn't a short-term project, it will be a long-term effort to restore the livelihoods of these Kansans, and my office will help in every way possible."

Grain Area

Wildcat Creek Ranch and

ander Horsemanship at Sitter Downs Arena, Lone Jack, Mo. 25th-Black Jack Saddle

February

Fairgrounds.

The Treasurer has listed information about the Economic Recovery Loan Program as one of the recovery resources for farmers and ranchers on the Kansas Department of Agriculture website. The Economic Recovery Loan Program is one of the linked deposit loan programs that provides lowcost loans and is operated through the PMIB (Pooled Money Investment Board). the State Treasurer's Office, and local financial institutions.

The loans available through this program were specifically designed to provide relief to struggling small businesses and agriculture operations. Interested borrowers should speak with their preferred financial institution about accessing the loans. Additional information, including a list of financial institutions already participating, can be found at kansascash.ks.gov under "Financial Services."

15th- Kansas Ranch Arena at 10 a.m.. Roping Assoc. Free Ranch

22nd-23rd- David Alex-

Club 1st meeting, 7 p.m. Pottorf Hall, Manhattan.

5th- NBHA KS01 9:30 a.m. at Douglas County



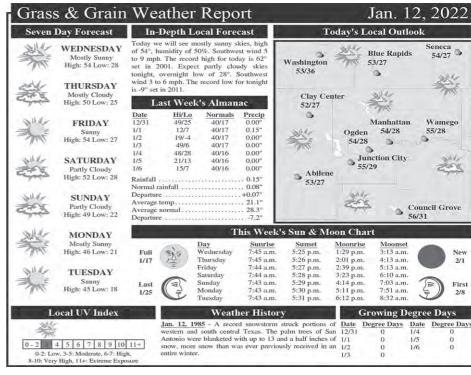
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