K-State’s Winter Ranch Management Series scheduled for February

Four-part event focuses on management strategies for cow-calf producers

MANHATTAN, Kan. – Kansas State University will host the Winter Ranch Management Series in February at four locations in the state to enhance cow-calf producers’ management strategies.

The meetings will feature a popular town hall, question-and-answer session between Kansas cattle producers and K-State Research and Extension specialists. “The series has a history of being a successful stretch of meetings, which are hosted throughout the state of Kansas,” said extension specialist Dale Blasi.

He added that the topics discussed may include considerations for managing bulls, trends in cattle feeding and strategies for beef cattle implant, though the agenda will vary slightly by location. Blasi said the focus is on enhancing profit in beef production.

The dates and locations planned this year include:

- **Feb. 8 – Hays.** K-State Research and Extension Center (1232 240th Avenue). RSVP by Feb. 1 to Alicia Boor, 620-793-1910, aboor@ksu.edu.

- **Feb. 10 – Council Grove.** Morris County Community Building (612 U.S. Highway 56). RSVP by Feb. 4 to Shannon Spencer, 620-767-5136, spspencer@ksu.edu.

- **Feb. 15 – Randolph.** Blue Valley High School Ag Ed Center (2 Ram Way). RSVP by Feb. 9 to Shannon Blocker, 785-437-3319, sblocker@ksu.edu. More information also is available at www.pottawatomie.ksu.edu.

- **Feb. 24 – Oakley.** Buffalo Bill Cultural Center (3083 U.S. Highway 83). RSVP by Feb. 17 to Kelsi Wertz, 785-673-4805, kjwtz@ksu.edu.
“The Winter Ranch Management Series provides another great opportunity for state and local specialists to take our expertise out in the country for a series of impactful meetings,” Blasi said. “Our extension team has a breadth of experience in beef cattle management, reproduction, genetics, animal health and nutrition. We’re here to help solve and prevent production problems with reliable information.”

Registration fees vary by location. More information about the series is available at KSUBeef.org.

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