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Field day addresses issues every producer faces

Ames, Iowa, 9/11/09 – An upcoming Iowa Beef Center and Iowa State University Extension field day will help producers tackle troubles abound, from hay waste to pink eye.

The ISU Extension “Fall Field Day” at McNay Memorial Research Farm in Lucas County, IA, will be held Sept. 23, 2009, 5:30-8:30 p.m. Attendees will be treated to a free meal served at the farm.

Topics to be addressed at the event by livestock experts are sure to help producers handle common problems they see this time of year and include the following:

- feeding co-products to extend grass and improve performance
- renovating fescue pastures with the “spray/smother/spray” method
- reducing hay feeding waste
- pink eye management strategies
- storing wet distillers grains to extend feed usage

For more information about the event, contact Joe Sellers, Iowa State University Extension beef program specialist, at his office at 641-203-1270, the McNay farm at 641-766-6465, or via e-mail at sellers@iastate.edu.

The Iowa Beef Center at Iowa State University in Ames, Iowa, was established in 1996 with the goal of supporting the growth and vitality of the state’s beef cattle industry. It serves as the university’s extension program to cattle producers and is comprised of faculty and staff from ISU Extension and the colleges of agriculture and life sciences and veterinary medicine. Together, the Iowa Beef Center’s members work to develop and deliver the latest in research based information regarding the beef cattle industry. For more information about the Iowa Beef Center, visit www.iowabeefcenter.org.