

# Fall Grazing Cover Crops Tours



Establishing cover crops following grain production is a proven tool to protect soil, reduce erosion, improve water quality and enhance soil health. It also provides opportunities to extend the grazing season; one month of extended grazing can reduce the cost of production in the cow herd more than 5%. But, fall grazing cover crops has more challenges due to weather risk. The window for fall growth and grazing may be more limited than in the spring due to the timing of grain harvest, seeding method, species selection and available nutrients — all coupled with weather.

## Tour Details

### November 28— Bus Provided

- 10:00 a.m. — Lucas County Extension Office  
48293 Hy-Vee Rd, Chariton, IA 50049
- 10:15-11:00 a.m Doyle Smith  
22944 450th Street, Chariton, IA 50049
- 11:15 a.m.–1:30 p.m Lunch at ISU McNay Research Farm  
45249 170th Ave., Chariton, IA 50049
- 1:45-2:45 p.m. Rick and Danette McBroom  
430th Street, Derby, Iowa 50068
- 3 p.m. Return to Extension Office

Registration fee: \$5 for meal — payable at lunch  
Preregister with: Lucas County Extension, 641-774-2016

***Dress for winter and being outdoors!***

**Meal co-sponsors: Lucas County SWCD Wayne County SWCD**

## All Cover Crop Tours & Contacts

- November 26—Des Moines  
*Patrick Wall 515-450-7665*
- November 28 - Chariton  
*Chris Clark 712-250-0070*
- November 29—Wyoming  
*Denise Schwab 319-721-9624*
- November 30—Castana  
*Beth Doran 712-395-0280*
- December 3—Newell  
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- December 5—Dyersville  
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