

An introduction to management and rotational grazing practices for producers who want to optimize forage and livestock production, control production costs, and conserve natural resources.

Location: Henry County Extension Office, 127 N. Main St., Mount Pleasant, 4:00 p.m. - 8 p.m. Fee: \$60. Dinner, educational materials, and a pasture walk at a local farm are included in each session. Sessions led by Iowa State University Extension and Outreach specialists and industry partners.

Program Agenda

May 23, 2017

Managing grass growth, plant diversity – Joe Sellers, beef specialist Looking at the soils on your farm – Greg Brenneman, agricultural engineer Species selection for pasture renovation, seeding methods – Rebecca Vittetoe, field agronomist

June 6, 2017

Weed and brush management – Jamie Baumgardner, Dow AgroSciences Watering alternatives for grazing systems – Greg Brenneman, agricultural engineer

June 14, 2017

Iowa fence law – Kristine Tidgren, assistant director, Center for Agricultural Law and Taxation **Management to optimize fall saved stockpiled grass, mineral supplementation Managing fescue** – Patrick Wall, beef specialist

June 20, 2017

Electric fencing systems, equipment and grazing management Managing pastures for livestock forage and wildlife habitat – Adam Janke, assistant professor and wildlife specialist Additional topics requested by the attendees

August 22, 2017

Optimizing winter grazing of crop residue and stockpiled grass – Patrick Wall, beef specialist **Fall seeded cover crops for pasture and forage** – Erika Lundy, program specialist, Iowa Beef Center **Fertility recommendations for existing and new pastures** – Rebecca Vittetoe, field agronomist **What are your next steps in your grazing plan?** – General discussion

Register by May 19, 2017.

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