

WESTI Ag Days 2016 Worland Community Center

This schedule is subject to change. An updated schedule will be available at the event.



Friday, February 19, 2016

8:00 AM: Registration – Coffee and Pastries				
Room 1	Room 2	Room 3		
8:30 AM				
Soil Mapping and Remote Sensing for Crop Management		Down-Ditch Administration, with Multiple Priorities		
SmartFarm technology and the 4Rs of nutrient management: the right amount at the right place at the right rate and the right time.	Livestock Market Outlook Bridger Feuz, UW Extension	State water law versus case law for permitting the use of water not owned by an irrigation district, and administrative responsibilities.		
Ted Zier, Simplot		David Deutz, WY State Eng. Office		
9:30 AM				
Calculating Custom Rates Learn what goes into calculating a rate for custom field operations. Apply the RightRisk Analytics tool to calculate field operation costs for your situation. Know what makes a custom rate "fair". John Hewlett, UW Extension	The Truth About GMO'S Learn the difference between GMO, Certified Organic, and Conventional crops. We will discuss facts vs. perceptions and how we tell our story. Connie Clark and Sarah Lungren	Soil Testing and Nutrient Management Jay Norton, UW Extension		
10:30 – 11:00 AM: Break				
11:00 AM				
Barley Disease Problems Identification and treatment of fusarium head blight and ergot Bill Stump, UW Extension	Introduction to the Small Hydro Power Handbook Systems less than 100 kw that produce mechanical energy or electricity for farms, ranches, and homes to offset consumption. Jeremiah Vardiman, UW Extension	Mobile Apps for Ranchers Brandon Greet, Rancher		
11:30 AM				
Farm-Stored Grain Integrated Pest	Futures and Options 101:	Google Earth Pro: A Brief Look at		

Farm-Stored Grain Integrated Pest Management

Proper storage conditions for grain helps prevent losses from most insect pests. IPM for the most common stored grain pests in Wyoming will be reviewed

Scott Schell, UW Extension

Futures and Options 101: Managing Market Risk

A basic look at using the futures and options market to mitigate risk on a farm or ranch. This will be an overview of the options and provide resources for additional information.

Bridger Feuz, UW Extension

Google Earth Pro: A Brief Look at Mapping in Agriculture

Google Earth Pro is a free mapping tool used by farmers and ranchers to plan grazing, crop rotations, weed control, etc. See the ways producers use it across Wyoming and how to use this program on your farm or ranch Ashley Garrelts, UW Extension

1:00 PM - Room 2

Regulations Affecting Agriculture

Bobbie Frank: Executive Director of Wyoming Association of Conservation Districts
Review of Confined Animal Feeding Operation regulations; EPA Waters of the US status and impact of rule; Chapter 1
Categorical Use Attainability Analysis for Recreational Use Designations

Doug Miyamoto: Director of Wyoming Department of Agriculture
EPA Certification of Pesticide Applicator Rule; new EPA Agricultural Worker Protection Standard

Steve Paisley: University of Wyoming Extension

New FDA Food Safety Modernization Act regulations regarding antibiotics in livestock feed

2:15 - 2:30 PM: Break

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2:30 PM

Implementing A.I. in Cattle
Operations Large or Small
There are many benefits of

Managing Herbicide Resistance in

Are you facing management transition in

There are many benefits of implementing A.I. into your program regardless of its size. Specifically, genetic improvement, financial feasibility, and labor savings potential. Training opportunities and certification will also be discussed.

Chance Marshall, UW Extension

the Big Horn Basin

Gustavo Sbatella and Andrew Kniss, University of Wyoming Are you facing management transition in your operation? Join us for a fun "showdown" between generations.
Share thoughts on communication, business and production anonymously.
See where you stand!

UW Extension Team

3:30 PM

Forage Analysis for Ration Balancing

Steve Paisley, UW Extension

Understanding Soil Function

Managing for soil health can increase crop productivity and profitability while improving the environment. Learn about how soil functions and the four basic principles of soil health

Marlon Winger, USDA-NRCS

4:30 PM: Closing remarks and raffle in Room 2































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Saturday, February 20th, 2016

8:00 AM: Registration – Coffee and Pastries				
Room 1	Room 2	Room 3		
8:30 AM				
Being Ready When The Worst Happens In Rural Areas Basic arrangements you can make to prevent the worst impacts on your property, your animals and your lifestyle. Rural disaster evacuation principles, and some basic resilience practices will be presented that can make all of the difference during wildfire, flooding, and blizzards. Scott Cotton, UW Extension	Common Horse Sense Steve Tharp, DVM	Native Plants for Waterwise Landscaping Jenny Thompson, UW Extension		
9:30 AM				
Using Record Keeping for Better Decisions An introduction to record keeping. Set goals for several ranching or small acreage scenarios and record information to create targets for those goals. Learn how to organize this information in excel. Abby Perry, UW Extension	Establishing Grasses for Pasture and Rangeland Appropriate grass species for reclaiming or revitalizing disturbed range and irrigated lands. Rob Kilian, Rangeland Specialist, NRCS Plant Materials Center	Understanding Soil Function Managing for soil health is one of the easiest and most effective ways to increase crop productivity and profitability while improving the environment. Learn about how soil functions and the four basic principles of soil health. Marlon Winger, USDA-NRCS		
10:30 – 11:00 AM: Break				
11:00 AM				

Irrigating Your Small Acreage: When, How, and How Much?

This presentation will walk you through some simple steps that will help you make the most of your water, answering the questions: "How?" "When?" and "How much?"

Caleb Carter, UW Extension

Designing and Establishing Pollinator-Friendly Plantings

Creating habitat for native pollinators is more than just planting wildflowers. Learn how to avoid common pitfalls that lead to pollinator plot failure

Joe Scianna, NRCS Plant Materials Center

Vermicomposting

Learn how to make a simple worm composting bin for your kitchen scraps and take home some "starter worms".

Mae Smith, UW Extension

12:00 - 1:00 PM: Lunch

1:00 – 2:30 PM				
Room 2	Room 3			
Weed and Pest Management for Gardens and Lawns Jeff Edwards and Jeremiah Vardiman UW Extension	Weed and Pest Management for Pastures and Forage Production Jarrod Glanz, Washakie County Weed and Pest Caitlin Youngquist, UW Extension			
2:30 - 3:00 PM: Break				
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3:00 PM				
Wyoming Ranch Tools for 1-30 Acres An overview of the tools available on the Wyoming Ranch Tools website that can enhance the decision making process on small to medium sized properties. Considering or already actively engaged in an Ag enterprise? These tools are a handy resource for analyzing opportunities. Bridger Feuz, UW Extension	Avoiding Aches and Pains Learn how to set up your garden, and use the right body mechanics to stay pain-free in the garden and on the farm this spring. Laura Balis, UW Extension	Seed Starting Tips Mae Smith, UW Extension		
3:30 PM				
Small Acreage Pasture Management Grazing management ideas for smaller pastures. Learn strategies that will work to keep you animals and pastures healthy. Barton Stam, UW Extension	How to 'Eat Locally' out of your garden that is! Phyllis Lewis, UW Extension	Introduction to the Small Hydro Power Handbook Systems less than 100 kw that produce mechanical energy or electricity for farms, ranches, and homes to offset consumption. Jeremiah Vardiman, UW Extension		
	4:00 PM			
	Water Wise Lawns So you want to save water with your lawn? Learn ways to save water or to plant water saving grass types. Scott Hiniger, UW Extension	Alternative Energy for Rural Homes and Acreages This program will highlight how alternative energy methods could be used on their property. Some UW alternative energy research will also be discussed. Chance Marshall, UW Extension		
4:30 PM: Closing Remarks and Raffle in Room 2				