USDA Cattle & Carcass Training Center Training Event Agenda



Technology and CME Cattle & Carcass Acceptance

Location: University of Nebraska - Lincoln Loeffel Meat Science Laboratory

Thursday, June 15, 2023:

- 12:00 12:15: Introduction
- 12:15 1:30: Animal Growth and Development 101
 - Dr. Ty Schmidt, Associate Professor, UNL Department of Animal Science
- 1:30 1:45: Break
- 1:45 2:30: Live Cattle Evaluation 101
 - o Lonnie Peetz and Tom Walthers, USDA Market News
- 2:30 2:45: Break
- 2:45 4:15: CME Live Cattle Rulebook
 - CME Q&A Session Makenzie Billings and Anne Krema, The CME Group
 - Carcass Delivery Overview Joe Barksdale, USDA Quality Assessment Division
 - Live Cattle Delivery Overview Lonnie Peetz and Tom Walthers, USDA Market News
- 4:15 5:30: Live Cattle Evaluation Contest
- 5:30 6:00: Q&A Session and Networking
- 6:00 8:00: Dinner with Industry Panel

Friday, June 16, 2023:

- **8:00 8:15:** Recap of Previous Day
- **8:15 8:45:** Beef Grading 101 (quality and yield)
 - Dr. Jessie Morrill, Assistant Professor, UNL Department of Animal Science
- 8:45 9:00: Break/Group Assignment
- 9:00 9:30: USDA Standards and Specification Division & Quality Assessment Division
 - Red Group: USDA Quality Assessment Division
 - Black Group: Camera Grading Demonstration
- 9:30 10:00: USDA Standards and Specification Division & Quality Assessment Division
 - Red Group: Camera Grading Demonstration
 - Black Group: USDA Quality Assessment Division
- **10:00 10:45:** Current and Future Technology in the Livestock Industry (Elanco)
- 10:45 11:30: Current and Future Technology in the Meat Industry (Volur)
- **11:30 12:15:** Application of Computer Vision and Machine Learning in the Meat Industry (Marble Technologies)
- **12:15 12:30:** Wrap up & Adjourn

Other events:

Friday, June 16, 2023:

Onsite Technical Assistance Event:

- 1:00 2:00: USDA Support for Diversified Meat and Poultry Supply Chains
 - Sara Hernandez, Coordinator, USDA Meat & Poultry Processing Technical Assistance (MPPTA)
- 2:00 4:00: MPPTA Introduction and Networking
 - Processors can visit one-on-one with Technical Assistance Providers

Friday, June 16, 2023: Onsite Cattle Contract Library Pilot Program Listening Session: (in-person or virtually)

- 1:00 3:00 pm CT: USDA Cattle Contract Library Pilot Program Overview and Q&A
- During the session, AMS will provide an overview of the current Pilot, then participants will be given an opportunity to share their feedback. Attendees may participate in-person (seating limited to 80) or virtually. For virtual attendees, the meeting will be broadcasted live as a webinar. To join from a PC, Mac, iPad, iPhone or Android device, please join via Zoom. Registration is not required. Attendees will be permitted to submit Q&A via Zoom meeting. The event will be recorded to be posted later.