OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY EXTENSION

PRODUCTIVE PASTURES

A Grazing Management Educational Series for Small and Mid-Size Operations

Session Topics include:

- *Introduction to Grazing Management*
- *Soils and Plants*
- *Grazing Animal Needs*

THURSDAYS
MARCH 5, 12, and 19
6:00PM-8:30 PM

SATURDAY, MAY 2
Grazing Field Day
9:00AM-12:30PM

USDA Service Center
2650 Richville Drive SE
Massillon, OH 44646

Cost: $45/participant
Includes three class sessions, materials and Grazing Field Day

Registration Deadline: Friday, February 27, 2015

YES, PLEASE REGISTER ME TO ATTEND the Productive Pastures Grazing Management Series 2015! To register please complete registration form below and mail with payment (Checks payable to OSU Extension) to: OSU Extension Stark County, ATTN: Productive Pastures, 2650 Richville Drive SE, Suite 100, Massillon, OH 44646. Cost is $45 per participant and includes three class sessions and materials and registration for Grazing Field Day on May 2, 2015. Deadline to register: Friday, February 27, 2015.

Name: _____

Email Address: _____

Phone Number: _____ County: _____

Existing Operation: YES NO # of Acres _____

If YES, what type of operation? _____ If NO, what type are you considering for future? _____

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PROGRAM OVERVIEW

MARCH 5-AN INTRODUCTION
- Introduction to Grazing Management
- Operation Assessment
- Goal Setting
- Grazing Management Plans

MARCH 12-SOILS AND PLANTS
- Soils and Fertility
- Grasses, Legumes & Pasture Plant Growth
- Species' Grazing Habits & Impacts on Forage Selection

MARCH 19-GRAZING ANIMAL NEEDS
- Forage Nutrition
- Animal Needs (Nutrition & Water Quality)
- Tailoring Grazing to Your Operation

MAY 2-PRODUCTIVE PASTURES FIELD DAY

- 9:00am-12:30pm
- Soloman Farm-Equine and Cattle on previously strip-mined soil
- Brown Brothers Poultry-Small Scale Pasture Raised Turkey and Chicken Operation

FREE OPTIONAL AND RECOMMENDED EVENTS

MARCH 26-EASTERN OHIO GRAZING COUNCIL MEETING
- 7:00pm-8:30pm @ Ponderosa in Carrollton
- Topic: Prepping Pastures for Early Spring Grazing

APRIL 18-EASTERN OHIO GRAZING COUNCIL FIELD DAY
- 10:00am-2:00pm @ Carroll County Farm, Mechanicstown, OH
- Topics: On-site Grazing Plan layout and discussion
- Livestock/Pasture Vendors and Lunch

OBJECTIVES
- Draft a basic grazing plan for your operation
- Understand your farm's resources, concerns, and potential
- Gain awareness of different species and how it affect pasture utilization and livestock nutritional needs
- Expand your network of producers and professionals
- Strengthen awareness of resources available for your operation

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Individuals who need special accommodations to attend this training are to contact Sandra Chenal at 330-830-7700 ext 104) or by email at Sandra.Chenal@oh.usda.gov by February 20, 2015.

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