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Fall Beef Roundup Scheduled

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Marketing beef calves, winter feeding issues and a beef cow body condition scoring demonstration are topics for a Fall Beef Roundup that will be held on Monday, September 23, 2013. The workshop will be held at the Missouri Valley Commission Company in Boonville starting at 6:30 p.m.

The dry fall weather has limited fall pasture potential in many areas. Feed supplies may tighten up which could force producers to wean calves a few weeks earlier than normal. What factors do producers control at weaning time that influence the price received for calves? Brent Carpenter, Extension Ag Business Specialist in Sedalia will talk about some of these issues.

Tighter feed supplies also impact fall and winter feeding programs. Rations for beef cows are influenced by how thin or fat the cows are and this is described by body condition scoring. Roundup participants will have the chance to body condition score several cows during the event. This may be a new concept or a producer may want to "tune up" his condition scoring skills. Winter feeding programs based on body condition scores will be discussed. Extension Livestock Specialists Wendy Rapp and Gene Schmitz will be discussing these issues. A representative from the Missouri Valley Commission Company will also make a presentation.

Doors open at 6:00 p.m. and the sale barn restaurant will be open for participants to purchase beef sandwiches and drinks at that time. The program begins at 6:30. Register by contacting the Cooper County Extension Center, 510 Jackson Road, Suite A, Boonville, MO 65233. Their phone number is (660) 882-5661. Registration is \$10 per person before Friday, September 20 or \$20 at the door. A minimum of 20 people registered by September 20 will be necessary to conduct this workshop.

For more information, contact Gene Schmitz at (660) 438-5012, Brent Carpenter at (660) 827-0591, Wendy Rapp at (660) 248-2272 or the Missouri Valley Commission Company at (660) 882-7413. University of Missouri Extension is an equal opportunity / ADA institution.