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Cattle Tour Set for Shasta Valley August 23



Cattle Tour

Calendar

August 23	Annual Cattle Tour
	Shasta Valley
	Cowley Ranch
	Montague, CA

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DNA, Genomics and Markers for Beef Cattle at Cattle Tour

You've heard about DNA, you may have even paid for DNA tests. Now you can hear the rest of the story. Results from three years of study at 3 local commercial ranches using DNA technology will be presented. Nationally recognized biotechnology specialist Alison Van Eenennaam, from the Animal Science Department, UC Davis, along with PhD. graduate student Kristina Weber and UC Farm Advisor Dan Drake will share results and experiences using DNA testing on the commercial northern California ranches.

Dr. Van Eenennaam says much has changed in the world of DNA technology since the start of the 3 year project with the Cowley, Kuck and Mole Richardson Farms ranches. There has been the good, the bad and the ugly. Despite the mixed bag DNA technology is progressing and ranchers can take the opportunity at the field day to add knowledge about the new tool. Just like any other skill set it takes some time, learning and experience to determine if and how it might make sense for a particular beef operation. Mark your calendars for Thursday, August 23 for the daylong event. Details will be announced shortly.

This is your copy of the Siskiyou Stockman, which you requested, or which we thought would be of interest to you.

Sincerely,

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