

Tennessee Group Rolls into Iowa

Emmit Rawls, University of Tennessee, led a small group of producers and Extension personnel on a tour of SW Iowa feedlots. Rawls and Tennessee producers have been sending cattle to Tri-County Steer Carcass Futurity for several years. This spring's group viewed eight groups of cattle on feed in five different TCSCF feedlots. They toured Gregory Feedlots, S&B Feedlot (Brian & Shelia Bentley), Kay Farms (Larry & Brad Kay), Gary Nilan's Feedlot, and CLAN Farms (Nick Hunt). While here, they joined a roundtable discussion, steak fry and potluck put on by TCSCF, the TCSCF feedlots and Arbor Bank of Oakland, Iowa at the ISU Armstrong Research Farm. Darrell Busby led the discussion on benchmarking cattle and answered numerous questions. TCSCF staff and the Tennessee group gathered for lunch on Wednesday before they left to head home.

Please contact TCSCF at 712-769-2600 if you have producers that would enjoy seeing the feedlot industry in SW Iowa.



L-R Bill Simon, Emitt Rawls, Brian White, Marshall Williams, Mike Cox

(Picture from CLAN Farms)



Emmit Rawls, Brad Kay, Marshall Williams, Larry Kay, Brian White, Mike Cox, Steve Glass

(Picture from Kay Farms).



Brian White, Gary Nilan, Emmit Rawls looking at data in the rain.



Roundtable discussion at the West End Diner. Marshall Williams, Emmitt Rawls, Brian White, Steve Glass (hidden), Mike Cox.