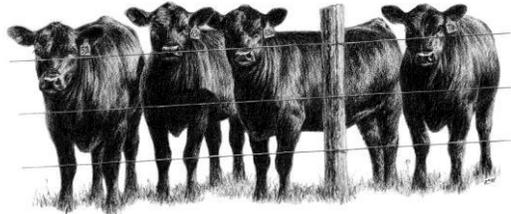


# The Back Forty News



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## From the County Agent's desk...

Welcome to the last quarter of 2020 Fulton County Producers! As we have transitioned to the fall season, temperatures are becoming a lot cooler, days are becoming much shorter, and morning frost have become a regular occurrence. Something else you may have noticed over the past few weeks was the bright and vibrant fall colors in our area. Compared to the last few years, this year's fall foliage put on quite the show. As for today though, most of the leaves are on the ground and we are on the fast track to wintertime livestock feeding rituals. For those that stockpiled forages in August and September, you are probably getting really close to utilizing these pastures. When the time does come, I recommend strip grazing these stockpiled fields, as this allows livestock to utilize forage availability more efficiently. When it comes to feeding hay, I recommend getting hay tested if you have not done so already. The "Guessing Game" is not a gamble worth taking when it comes to wintertime livestock nutrition. With a hay test, I can provide you with a feed ration that will help maintain proper body conditioning throughout the winter-feeding period. For more information or advice on winter feeding of livestock, give me a call at 870-895-3301.

## Fall Brucellosis (Bangs) Vaccinations

The date is not confirmed, but our Fall BANGS clinic is tentatively scheduled for December 16<sup>th</sup>, 2020. If you have heifers to be vaccinated, please let us know by Friday, December 11<sup>th</sup>. For those interested, please return the enclosed cut-out card to our office in person or by mail (P.O. Box 308, Salem, AR 72576) or call us at 870-895-3301. Include detailed directions to where the heifers will be located. Vaccinations are free of charge.

**\*Heifers must be at least 4 months old but not older than 12 months old to be eligible for vaccination.\***

We will use the same procedure as in the past and notify you by letter before you are scheduled for vaccinations. **You will need FUNCTIONING handling facilities to confine and work the calves.** Also, you or a representative for you must be present at the time of vaccination. If no one is present, heifers will not be vaccinated, and we will continue to the next person on our list. Please keep in mind that the time that we schedule for your stop could be, give or take, an hour or so. It depends on how fast or held up we are at prior stops.

	Return by: _____
To: County Extension Agent – Staff Chair	
In reply to your inquiry, I have _____ heifer calves, 4 to 12 months of age, which I would like to have vaccinated for Brucellosis (Bang's Disease).	
Name	_____
Address	_____
	_____
Phone	_____
Community	_____
Location of Farm	_____
CES-443 Brucellosis Vaccination Reply Card	(8-01)

## **Private Applicator Training (PAT) for Restricted Use Pesticides**

Local farmers, ranchers, and other agricultural producers who wish to renew an existing pesticide license or receive a first-time private applicator license will have the opportunity to do so by completing this required training. For those of you who are up for recertification, you should have received a letter from the State Plant Board indicating when your license expires. If you have received this letter, then according to our records and the State Plant Board records, your license is about to expire. **Two training opportunities will be held at the Fulton County Fairgrounds Hickinbotham-Miller Building on December 10<sup>th</sup>, 2020. The first training will be at 9:00 a.m. and the other at 6:00 p.m. Please note, this training is NOT for certification of commercial (for-hire) pesticide applicators! Pre-Registration is required by calling 870-895-3301. You must call and pre-register to attend. Attendance will be limited, due to COVID-19 restrictions. Social Distancing and Masks are required. Masks may be removed once seated.**

**There is a \$20 class fee (checks made to UACES or exact cash preferred) per person that MUST be paid at the door before the training.** This fee does not relate to the licensing fee charged by the State Plant Board. It is only for the training. The fee for licensure is \$10 for a 1-year license or \$45 for a 5-year license. These fees will be paid by you after the training and sent to the State Plant Board for licensure, not the Fulton County Extension Office.

### **Online Option**

1. Go to: [courses.uaex.edu](https://courses.uaex.edu)
2. Click on the Login Button to Create an Account
3. Click on "Course Categories"
4. Click on "Pesticide Application Training"
5. Click On "Private Pesticide Applicator Online Certification"
6. Pay
7. Complete the training
8. Send in Paperwork and license fees to AR Dept. Of Agriculture

**Please note program dates are subject to change due to unforeseen circumstances**

### **COVID-19**

Help prevent the spread like #COVID-19. <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus> @AginArk





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