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A LOOK BACK IN HISTORY

With the National Western Stock Show (NWSS) fast approaching, a *WLJ* column from December 2006, on the 100th anniversary of the NWSS, serves as a good reminder: "There is more to NWSS than just livestock. … The exceptional caliber of the livestock shows at the NWSS are enough to draw the interests of cattlemen for miles around. But amongst the sound of clippers, announcers, and bawling livestock is the potential for urban America to experience the world of agriculture. … There is ample opportunity to teach urban residents with very little agriculture understanding about the industry and how it really is a big part of everyday life."

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Lower Basin states agree to CO River cutbacks

— Tribes seek inclusion

While the Colorado River Water Users Association held its annual meeting in Las Vegas to mull over the future of the Colorado River, leaders from the Lower Basin states of Nevada, Arizona and California agreed to voluntarily cut back their allocation from the river in an effort to stave off mandatory cutbacks.

The 500+ Plan requires the states to cut 500,000 acre-feet (one acre-foot is 325,851 gallons), or enough to service approximately 1.5 million households, from a river that provides water for 40 million customers annually in 2022 and 2023. Additionally, it requires the Lower Basin states to invest in water efficiency programs and projects to reduce usage. The conservation projects include funding fallowing farms to save water, including the recent approval of a short-term agricultural land fallow program in California, and urban conservation to reduce diversions from Lake Mead.

Arizona would invest $40 million, and California, Nevada and the Central Arizona Project—a canal system that delivers Colorado River water to southern and central Arizona—would invest $20 million each. The Bureau of Reclamation (BOR) will match the contributions, bringing the total to $200 million.

"Two decades of drought on the Colorado River is taking a toll across the basin and on Lake Mead," said Camille Calimlim Touton, commissioner of the BOR, in a statement. "By working together, we've staved off these historic low levels for years, thanks to collaboration and conservation in the Lower Basin. But we need even more action, and we need it now."

A second memorandum of understanding was signed between the federal government, the Colorado River Indian Tribes and the Gila River Indian Community. Under the agreement, Tribes will also leave water in Lake Mead as part of the 500+ Plan.

The 500+ Plan builds on the 2019 Lower Basin Drought Contingency Plan (DCP). The DCP included provisions from

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Leaders from Nevada, Arizona and California have agreed to cut back their allocations from the Colorado River in an effort to stave off mandatory cutbacks. Pictured here, the Colorado River near Page, AZ.

New Mexico Cattle Growers sue over ESA

— Concerns over flycatcher listing

The New Mexico Cattle Growers' Association (NMCGA) has sued the Biden administration on behalf of one of their rancher members, claiming that listing the southwestern willow flycatcher under the Endangered Species Act (ESA) has caused harm to their member's property values and livelihood.

The association's case against the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS), Department of the Interior, Secretary of the Interior Deb Haaland and USFWS Acting Director Martha Williams calls specific attention to listing a subspecies under the ESA, as there is no USFWS rule defining the term. NMCGA points out that as USFWS denied a 2017 petition requesting a regulatory definition, "the Service maintained its commitment to leaving that term undefined."

New Mexico rancher and landowner Hugh McKeen owns a 700-acre cattle ranch in Catron County, NM, and holds grazing rights on an adjacent 11,467-acre allotment within the Gila National Forest. McKeen also owns adjudicated water rights from existing wells and ditches diverted from the San Francisco River. The ranch and allotment overlap substantially with designated critical habitat for the flycatcher, according to the lawsuit.

"The listing and designation impose significant regulatory burdens on the use of Mr. McKeen's ranch property and adjoining grazing allotment. The direct effect of these regulatory burdens has been a substantial diminution in the appraised value of Mr. McKeen's ranch," the lawsuit read.

It continues that the flycatcher subspecies listing and critical habitat designation also subject McKeen to the risk of citizen

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The place for market share, new breeds

— NWSS in Denver, CO

The National Western Stock Show (NWSS) has always been known as the show where cattle business gets done. Never was this more the case than during World War II, when Angus took on Hereford's dominance of the West, and a new breed would be formed: Red Angus.

Hereford's lock on the Western range market had been fairly complete since it won the 19th century race with dual purpose (milk and meat) Shorthorns. This was accomplished by Herefords outliving the Shorthorn crosses after a drafty summer in 1886, which was followed by one of the most severe winters on record. In what became known as the "big die up" in the spring of 1887, the Herefords tended to live through the winter, while the dual-purpose Shorthorns were unlikely to have survived.

Thus, from the time the NWSS was started in 1906 up until World War II, NWSS was as described in "A Historic Angus Journey" by Keith Evans: "virtually the private property of the Hereford breed." However, during World War II, the International in Chicago would be canceled for four years (1942-45), so the American Angus Association used the resources from the International to invade Hereford's sovereign ground, the NWSS.

The resources Angus could put toward the effort were substantial, as Chicago's International was the association's largest promotional event. The Angus Association breed executive at the time was the long-tenured W. H. Tomhave, who had previously been the department head at Penn State University. To attract exhibitors, the American Angus Association raised the premiums on the various shows to a total of $8,350, which equates to $142,203 in 2022 when adjusted for inflation. This was inducement enough that all the major herds made the trip to the 1943 NWSS.

One of the goals was to market Angus bulls to commercial producers, so Angus held two sales during the 1943 NWSS, which marketed 192 bulls and 17 females. With professor Tomhave managing the sales, they were first class. Labor was scarce during the war, so these Angus bulls found a ready market, being primarily purchased for calving ease to breed heifers. From this starting point, Angus would build decade after decade until it supplanted Herefords as the dominant Western breed.

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Holiday doldrums in place until the new year

Live cattle futures traded higher, while feeder cattle futures tried to find recovery. Cash trade was slim, and prices were lower, although that is to be expected during the week of a holiday.

Live cattle futures closed higher Tuesday, with the December contract up 25 cents to $135.52 and the February contract up $1.65 to $136.92.

"The technical rally stemmed from trader's willingness to move the market higher, as fundamentally speaking, the market is still in a holiday slump as boxed beef prices are veering lower," ShayLe Stewart, DTN livestock analyst, remarked in her Tuesday closing comments.

Total cash trade through Tuesday was less than 10,000 head. Steers sold mostly at $135, about $2 less than the week earlier. On the formula side, animals sold between $223-224. Cash trade for the week ended Dec. 19 totaled only 48,733 head. Live steers sold for $137.31, and dressed steers sold for $218.33.

"It is not unusual to see fed cattle prices soften as packer holiday needs decline," remarked Cassie Fish, market analyst, in The Beef. "It is also not unusual to see fed cattle prices advance in January on through Q1, and that is in the cards as well for this market."

The national weekly direct beef type price distribution for the week of Dec. 13-20 was the following on a live basis:

- Negotiated purchases: $137.72.
- Formula net purchases: $143.07.
- Forward contract net purchases: $137.91.
- Negotiated grid net purchases: $143.20.

On a dressed basis:

- Negotiated purchases: $218.31.
- Formula net purchases: $226.60.
- Forward contract net purchases: $205.87.
- Negotiated grid net purchases: $220.68.

Slaughter through Tuesday totaled 240,000 head,

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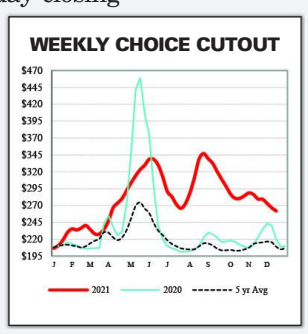

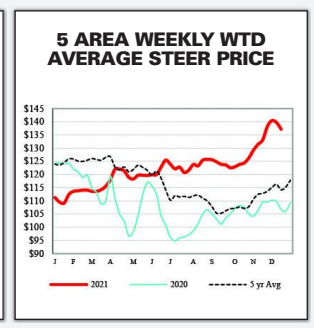

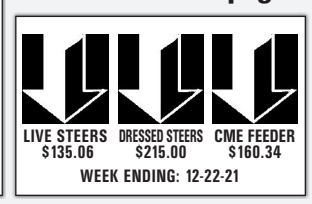

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COMMENTS

Stock show season


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I hope everyone had a merry Christmas and has a good New Year's. Now that we're going into the new year, we need to once again start praying for rain and snow. We desperately need snow in the high country, the Rocky Mountains. I've got that funny feeling that we are in for a dry 2022. We had a pretty good summer in the southwest part of the country and made a lot of feed, but now I would say that party is over—hope I'm wrong.

The stock show season is starting; the Cattlemen's Congress will be starting early in January, and the National Western will be starting up at the same time. Last year, the National Western Stock Show (NWSS) was shut down because of COVID-19, and the Colorado governor wouldn't provide a waiver. Then, Oklahoma City laid their new show on top of the National Western, and all the breed associations took their business to Oklahoma City.

However, the National Western has decided to move forward, and there will be pen bulls and females on display. The herd bull display will go on, and then there are several junior breed shows going on. There will be full-scale junior events and the junior market livestock sale. If you come to Denver, I don't think you will be disappointed. I have been told the show will be exhibitor friendly.

It will be interesting to see how the National Western performs this year. The new livestock arena and sale pavilion are a long way from the stadium show arena and Hall of Education on the hill. The National Western facilities are going up rather quickly. There will be construction for several more years, but it will be a great facility when it's completed.

For you exhibitors, you will find it easier to unload and load out. There will be plenty of electricity and water available. The arena and sale facility for the pen bulls and females are brand new and ready for commerce. The Livestock Exchange Building is there with a new railroad crossing in the front yard.

It's interesting to look at the history of livestock shows. Shows were the principal way to market cattle back in the 1920s. Visual appraisal ruled the show ring and valued livestock. Today, there are only a half dozen livestock shows left. The cattle industry started moving in a different direction in the 1950s, with the new idea of measuring cattle for growth traits and calving ease. Now we have expected progeny difference measurements for every trait that can be measured. Then came DNA to support the selection system. Visual appraisal is still used when it comes to phenotype.

When it comes to stock shows and commercial beef production, they couldn't be further apart. It's like they are two entirely different industries. I am constantly amazed at the enthusiasm that young folks display in the show ring; older folks seem to get pretty wrapped up in the purple circle of the moment.

Denver's pen shows are perhaps the most valuable aspect of the NWSS, as it is the only show I know that puts on carload and pen bull shows. A commercial rancher can come to Denver and see many different breeding programs. The irony is that most of the nation's leading registered breeders don't exhibit cattle at shows.

The NWSS has become a victim of urban sprawl and urban decay, right at the intersection of two major interstate highways in the center of Denver. It has always been difficult to get to, and there are not many cheap hotel rooms to be found. The NWSS is essentially in the middle of an urban redevelopment project. The city of Denver has invested to the tune of $1.3 billion to redevelop this part of town, while trying to keep the Western heritage alive.

When this project is completed, it will be a sight to behold. It will be the best livestock exposition in the world. And there are a bunch of willing partners like Colorado State University, Denver Water and Denver Zoo. There are a bunch of community and industry leaders making this venue a reality.

I remember the stock show being a great place to see all your friends and customers. But, let's be real—it was a filthy, unhealthy place to hang out. Hopefully the stock show crud is gone forever. But for those of you that have had the stock show crud, I bet you have a good immune system to keep COVID-19 at bay. — **PETE CROW**

GUEST OPINION

COMPARING BEEF WITH PLANT-BASED ALTERNATIVES

In mid-November, I traveled from my farming and beef cattle operation to Kansas City for an ag media event called Trade Talk. Hosted by the National Association of Farm Broadcasters, this annual event offers ag industry broadcast personalities the opportunity to interview representatives from various organizations and companies, all of which serve this country's farmers and ranchers in some capacity.

As the vice chair of the Cattlemen's Beef Board (CBB) this year, I did several interviews and was quite frankly surprised by how many broadcasters wanted to hear what this guy from Martinsville, IN, had to say.

They asked me all kinds of questions about the national Beef Checkoff, including many I've been asked before: how it works, what kinds of programs it funds, what impact are those programs having on beef demand and so on. However, one new question came up again and again: What's the Checkoff doing to address the threat that plant-based alternative proteins pose to the beef industry?

Honestly, this question wasn't surprising. Like everyone else, I've observed news anchors and market watchers bring up plant-based alternative proteins consistently over the past few years. Some even referred to these products and others as "revolutionary" and "game-changing."

However, that's not how some beef industry stakeholders view these protein alternatives. I've been involved in discussions that took me back a few decades when consumer concerns about beef's role in a healthy diet weren't considered all that important.

The fact is, we could have done more back in the '70s and '80s because we're still working to share the real facts about beef's nutritional profile. That's why we need to take protein alternatives more seriously today—and we are. In 2020, the Beef Checkoff commissioned a research study to understand plant-based alternative proteins and their potential impact on beef demand to determine exactly what we're up against. Now, we're using this information to determine the best way to encourage consumers to choose beef.

The study "Impacts of New Plant-Based Protein Alternatives on U.S. Beef Demand," authored by Glynn T. Tonsor, Jayson L. Lusk and Ted C. Schroeder, reflects the attitudes and opinions of more than 3,000 U.S. residents surveyed in September 2020. One of the biggest takeaways from the study was that while plant-based alternative proteins may be getting a lot of media exposure, consumers still love and choose beef. Here are significant findings from that study:

- Beef has a good image. Consumers, by and large, say that beef's taste, appearance, price and natural goodness greatly exceeds that of plant-based proteins.
- Regular meat consumers (68 percent of the study's full sample) are much more likely to select beef, even when a plant-based item is available.
- Changes in beef prices have a much larger impact on consumer decisions to buy beef than the impact of changes in the prices of plant-based offerings. This means plant-based burgers are relatively weak substitutes for beef.

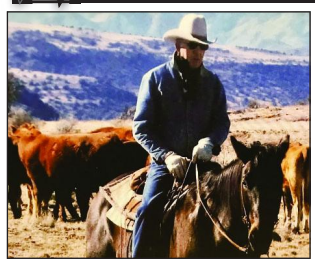
There's also new research that delves into beef's protein quality versus plant-based alternatives. A recent study from the University of Illinois and Colorado State University, funded by the Beef Checkoff and Pork Checkoff, used the digestible indispensable amino acid score (DIAAS) system to compare protein quality in beef and pork burgers and plant-based burgers.

The study, "Digestible indispensable amino acid score (DIAAS) is greater in animal-based burgers than in plant-based burgers if determined in pigs," was authored by Natalia Fanelli, Hannah Bailey, Tyler Thompson, Robert Delmore, Mahesh Narayanan Nair and Hans Stein. As in the past, researchers found that animal proteins have greater DIAAS values than plant-based proteins.

All in all, the research shows us that plant-based protein alternatives are a relatively minor concern to the beef industry right now. However, that doesn't mean we can just sit back and relax. As Beef Checkoff contractors develop new plans and promotional campaigns, they're considering this study's findings along with other factors that could impact beef demand, both now and in the future.

Consumer preferences continue to evolve, and we need to stay on top of those changes if we're going to effectively promote beef over competing proteins. I can assure you that my fellow CBB members will continue investing Checkoff dollars wisely to keep beef at the center of dinner plates everywhere. — **Norman Voyles Jr., CBB vice chair**

OBITUARIES



Charles Birkemeyer; 1936-2021

Charles Paul "Chuck" Birkemeyer was born Oct. 17, 1936, in Jerome, AZ, to Florence Welk Birkemeyer and Irving Carl Birkemeyer. The family lived in various Civilian Conservation Corps camps, as his father was in the forestry business. When Chuck was 2, the family moved to Minnesota, where his sister Eleanor was born. The family lived in various parts of Minnesota and Wisconsin throughout his formative years. As a teenager, the family found their way to Arizona living in Flagstaff, Kingman and then Mayer. It was in Mayer that Chuck started his first love affair: cars! Ford V8s became his passion.

Chuck's second love affair started in high school when he started dating Emmaline Gertrude "Trudy" Teskey. The courtship continued for four years, and the couple was married on June 29, 1959.

Chuck had a passion for forestry, rangelands and being a good steward of natural resources. He became a forest fire lookout for the U.S. Forest Service right out of high school. He earned his bachelor's degree in agriculture and range management at the University of Arizona and was a founding member of the University's Range Society Club. Later on, he became a 4-H Range Management Club leader in Utah and took plant judging teams to Oklahoma and Oregon for the National Championships. Chuck was a life member of the Society for Range Management and was elected president of both the Utah Society for Range Management and, in 1988, the Wyoming Society for Range Management. Chuck won many awards and honors for his outstanding dedication to his job throughout the years. Employees always described Chuck as a kind, respectful man, and many continue to say he was the best supervisor they ever had. Chuck retired from the U.S. Forest Service in 1992 after 35 years of dedicated service.

Through the years Chuck and Trudy raised four kids: Chuck Jr., Wendalynn, Carl and Trudylynn. Chuck was always involved in his kids' activities, whether it was sports, music, 4-H, hunting, fishing, camping or rodeo. Chuck volunteered countless hours with various horse riding clubs, the Boy Scouts, 4-H, Lions Club, Hunter Safety and Range Society summer camps. Chuck developed a love for music early on in life. He would sing to the kids and play guitar. He also learned to dance; and he was a natural.

After retirement, Chuck enjoyed returning to Arizona to work the Dugas Ranch with Trudy. Whether it was herding cows, fixing water pipes or enjoying the warm breezes at sunset, they were side by side. In the last few years, Chuck and family members began to notice some memory issues. They were not too apparent to those outside the family, but with testing, Chuck was diagnosed with moderate dementia. After a fall in October 2020 and a broken hip, Chuck moved into long-term care at Arizona Assisted Living as the dementia progressed rapidly. Throughout this last year, the family each had the opportunity to visit, share stories and memories and are so grateful for the time to be able to prepare, accept, revisit old times, laugh, cry and share together.

Chuck died on Nov. 29, 2021, with his wife, Trudy, by his side. He leaves a legacy of service, knowledge and a lifetime of memories. Chuck is survived by his wife, Trudy, four children, Chuck Birkemeyer Jr. (Debbie), Wendy Schmidt (Scot), Carl Birkemeyer and Trudylynn Birkemeyer Funk (Lloyd), as well as eight grandchildren, five great-grandchildren and his sister, Eleanor McNulty. Donations in his memory can be made to the Yavapai County Arizona 4-H office, 928-445-6590, extension.arizona.edu/yavapai.

Edward Wellman 'Bill' Serrell Jr.; 1933-2021

Edward Wellman "Bill" Serrell Jr. died on Dec. 16, 2021. Bill was born on Aug. 2, 1933, in Denver, CO, to Edward "Ed" Wellman Serrell Sr. and Helen Dorothy (Harms) Serrell. The Serrell family moved to Cold Springs Ranch, south of Larkspur, CO, in 1947. The Serrells raised registered Aberdeen Angus cattle, which were among the first of herds of black Angus cattle in Colorado.

As a youngster, Bill participated in 4-H and showed cattle in the yards at the National Western Stock Show. Bill married Lindsay Wendt in Tuxedo Park, NY, on June 29, 1957. The two of them spent the next 62 years involved in the cattle business and supporting youth as advisers to the Junior Colorado Cattlemen's Association, supporters of 4-H and junior livestock sales, and mentors to multiple young people. Bill worked as an animal health salesman for American Cyanamid, which led to his nickname, "Doc Serrell."

Bill was a member of the Western Stock Show Association since the 1950s and a trustee since 1975. He chaired the Stock Show's Junior Livestock Auction for decades and was an avid supporter of the Catch-a-Calf contest. Donations can be made to the Colorado Agricultural Leadership Foundation or to the NWSS.



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THE research world is agog at a new process for converting salt water into fresh water that could revolutionize American agriculture, and bring water to vast arid areas of the country.

Reports on the process from scientists at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology indicate that it has great promise for de-salting of sea water economically. Big trouble in the past has been the comparatively high cost of doing the job.

Researchers say the process is based on use of electric power, along with membranes. Certain salts and minerals are thus separated by interchange of negative and positive electric charges.

It is too early to tell how efficient the process may be on a really large scale, but it is worth watching for further developments.

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STORY SHORTS

ASI/NCBA awarded grazing grant

The American Sheep Industry Association (ASI) and National Cattlemen's Beef Association (NCBA) were granted more than $200,000 in Farm Bill funding to develop movement decision criteria for sheep and cattle grazing public land allotments during a potential foreign animal disease outbreak. The Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service funding will allow collaboration between agencies, states and partners such as the Public Lands Council. The project is expected to take two years to complete and will better prepare producers whose animals graze public lands in the event of a foreign animal disease outbreak. The grant will provide information and actions needed during an outbreak to protect flocks and herds and meet movement criteria, according to an NCBA press release.

Antimicrobial sales have dropped

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration's (FDA) Center for Veterinary Medicine recently published its 2020 report on antimicrobials sold or distributed for use in food-producing animals, which found a decrease in sales and distribution by 3 percent between 2019-20. Overall, this is a 38 percent decrease since 2015, which was the peak year of sales, according to the report. "This suggests that continued efforts to support the judicious use of antimicrobials in food-producing animals are having an impact," the report read. FDA said its objective is to slow the development of antimicrobial resistances and preserve the effectiveness of antimicrobials for fighting disease in animals and humans.

NAMI: More time for Prop 12

The North American Meat Institute (NAMI) submitted comments to the California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA) regarding the state's Proposition 12, calling the proposed rules flawed and asserting more time is needed for compliance. The proposition is set to go into effect on Jan. 1 and would require all pork, veal and eggs sold within the state to be produced using expanded minimum space standards. NAMI said the department's proposed rules remain flawed and have yet to be finalized. "Rather than apply 'Band-Aids' to address some challenges, NAMI suggests CDFA go further and afford everyone in the supply chain, from hog producers all the way to food service and retail entities, the 28-month preparation time the law and the voters contemplated before enforcing any aspect of Prop 12 or its regulations," said Mark Dopp, NAMI general counsel and chief operating officer.

Muscogee Nation meat plant opens

In early December, the Muscogee Nation opened its new $10 million processing facility, Looped Square Meat Co., just outside of Glenpool, OK. The plant faced setbacks from community members, who argued the plant would affect nearby towns' water quality. The plant encompasses 25,000 square feet and also contains a retail market. "The Looped Square Meat Co. addresses our need to combat food insecurity while promoting food sovereignty and providing jobs and an economic driver to the area. This is what it truly means to take care of our Reservation," said Principal Chief David Hill in a statement. The plant has the capability to process beef, pork, sheep, goat and deer.

APR buys MT ranch

The American Prairie Reserve (APR) is adding more land to its arsenal and most recently has purchased a 50 square mile ranch, 73 Ranch, next to the Charles M. Russell National Wildlife Refuge in Valley County, MT. The purchase expands the conservation group's size to more than 700 square miles. The Bureau of Land Management attempted to buy the ranch in August but was unable to after a government-ordered appraisal did not meet the seller's terms. APR has been buying up land since 2001 with the intent to allow bison to roam freely and currently owns about 1,000 head of bison.

Ear implant labeling to change

The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) will be updating labeling for cattle ear implants, with the intent to make their use more clear to end users. "The focus of FDA's initiative is to update the labeling of a third group of currently approved ear implant products that do not specify on the labeling as to whether reimplantation is approved," the agency said. After June 2023, FDA says it will no longer be appropriate to reimplant ear implant products that do not clearly state on the labeling that reimplantation is permitted. The agency clarified that beef cattle will still be allowed to receive multiple implants across different phases of production when using implants approved for that specific phase. Cattle can also receive more than one implant within a production phase, but only if that implant is approved for repeated administration.

GAO: USDA overpaid producders in Market Facilitation Program

The Trump administration's payments to farmers to offset the effects of the trade war with China—the Market Facilitation Program (MFP)—ended up overpaying for certain commodities and undervaluing others, according to the Government Accountability Office (GAO).

The GAO, the investigative arm of Congress, released a report recently on the MFP in 2018 and 2019, examining how $23 billion was paid out in the program. The GAO showed payments by USDA significantly overestimated the actual trade damages suffered by producers of certain commodities.

Because USDA "decoupled" an individual commodity crop's trade damage and its payment rate, the payments ended up not really reflecting trade damages. In 2019, corn producers received $3 billion more in payments than USDA's estimated trade damages to corn, while payments for soybeans, sorghum and cotton producers were lower than the estimated trade damages, the GAO stated.

Commodity crops—corn, cotton, soybeans, sorghum and wheat—received 94.5 percent of MFP payments, while specialty crops received about 1.5 percent of payments. Dairy and hog operations received about 4 percent of payments.

USDA also adjusted how it calculated payments between 2018 and 2019, changing the formula for how trade losses were calculated. For 2018, USDA used export totals from 2017 to estimate impacts on trade totals. In 2019, USDA shifted to select the highest total export value from the past decade for commodities to calculate losses. That boosted payments for commodities such as corn and wheat.

USDA's county-based payment methodology in 2019 translated into higher payments in the South based on the county's crop mix. A corn farmer in a southern county received higher payments than a corn farmer in a northern county because of other crops planted in that county, such as cotton, sorghum and soybeans. The GAO noted, though corn yields are higher in the Midwest and West, corn producers received an estimated $69 an acre in the South, $61 an acre in the Midwest, $34 an acre in the Northeast and $29 an acre in the West.

The calculation method USDA used in 2019 for payments to nonspecialty crop producers resulted in higher payments for farmers in the South than producers of the same crop in other parts of the country.

Senate Agriculture Committee Chairwoman Debbie Stabenow (D-MI) said the Trump administration had picked winners and losers.

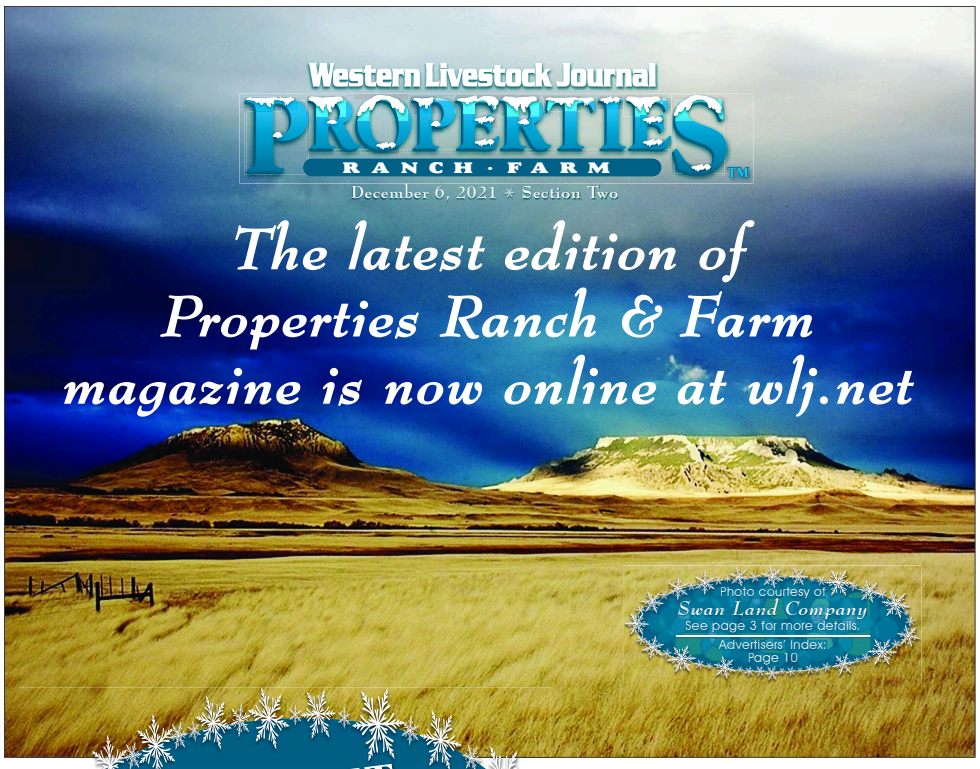
"This report confirms that the Trump USDA picked winners and losers in their trade aid programs and left everyone else behind," Stabenow said in a news release.

"Making larger payments to farmers in the South than farmers in the Midwest or elsewhere, regardless of whether those farmers actually experienced a larger loss, undermines our future ability to support farmers when real disasters occur," Stabenow said.

"I will continue to support all of agriculture through investments in infrastructure and support to farmers who suffer losses due to extreme weather, the COVID crisis and other events beyond their control."

USDA Chief Economist Seth Meyer said he disagreed with the recommendations that his office should improve its procedures. — **Jerry Hagstrom, DTN political correspondent, and Chris Clayton, DTN ag policy editor**





500+ Plan would be temporary solution

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the Lower Basin states to contribute water to Lake Mead to keep it from dropping further and reaching critically low levels. The DCP also included a provision that additional action would be required if modeling indicates a possibility of the reservoir reaching an elevation of 1,030 feet.

In August, Lake Mead water levels fell below 1,075 feet, triggering a Level 1 shortage condition, which resulted in cutbacks to the Lower Basin states for the first time. Water levels were at 1,065 feet as of mid-December. Arizona experienced the largest cutback of 512,000 acre-feet, or 18 percent of the state's annual allotment. Nevada and Mexico also had 7 percent and 5 percent reductions, respectively.

Despite signing the agreements, water officials acknowledged more needs to be done, as drought has caused less water to flow into the Colorado River. According to the BOR, inflows are projected to be 65 percent of normal, causing an imbalance in supply and demand as the river, which once averaged about 15 million acre-feet of water, has seen closer to 12 million acre-feet.

"The 500+ Plan is, as some have opined, a temporary solution," Pat Tyrrell, Wyoming state engineer, said at the conference. "Work toward longer-term solutions to the challenges worsening hydrology presents us is left for another day—the day which we all know is coming very soon. In the end, our overarching goal must be to work toward a sustainable future for the Colorado River Basin. Period."

Tribes seek inclusion

As the 100th anniversary of the Colorado River Compact approaches and the 2007 Interim Guidelines are set to expire in 2026, 30 Tribes who depend on the Colorado River are asking to be included in the negotiations. In 2007, the states adopted interim river management guidelines to respond to worsening drought conditions without input from the Tribes, despite having senior water rights of roughly 25 percent (or 3 million acre-feet).

"Historically, Tribes have not been a part of the negotiations around the management of the Colorado River," said Maria Dadgar, executive director of the Inter Tribal Council of Arizona. "And let's just say that's past history because that is no longer the case."

Leaders of the Tribes sent a letter to Interior Secretary Deb Haaland, urging participation in the upcoming negotiations.

"Basin Tribes are aware of ongoing efforts by the (BOR) and the seven basin states to adapt the (DCP) to the existing and emerging hydrologic conditions, and seek to be involved in these discussions and decisions," the letter read. "Basin Tribes' involvement in these ongoing decisions, as well as the process of developing the (long-term management of the Colorado River system), is a necessity with regard to, and in recognition of, the impacts to Basin Tribes of the continuing drought and looming basin-wide shortages."

In the letter, the Tribes stressed that although the 2007 Interim Guidelines do not expire until 2026, the most significant parts of the negotiations are likely to unfold over the next couple of years as BOR initiates a formal environmental review under the National Environmental Policy Act.

The Tribes met in late October to form an ad hoc group called the Colorado River Basin Tribal Coalition and develop a set of guiding principles. Among some of the principles, the coalition expects the Biden administration to "provide a written commitment as soon as possible, building upon existing federal mandates for government-to-government consultation with Basin Tribes." The coalition asked the Biden administration to ensure Tribes have a role in the upcoming negotiations, ensure their water rights are protected and provide technical assistance to evaluate any impacts to Tribes.

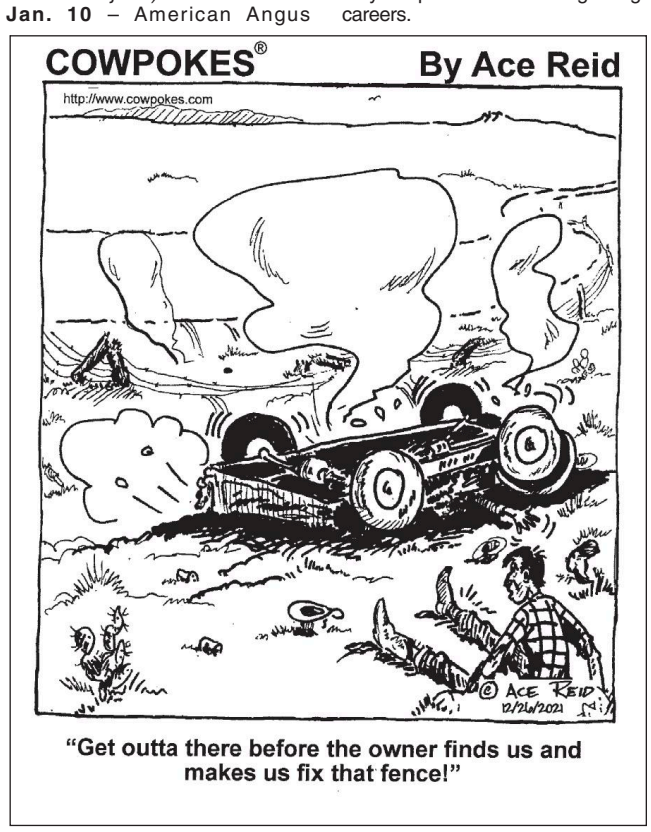
In a recent trip to Nevada, Haaland said the Biden administration understands the importance of an "all of government approach" involving Tribes in discussions.

— **Charles Wallace, *WLJ* editor**

YOUTH OPPORTUNITIES

(In an effort to serve the next generation of livestock producers, WLJ's Youth Opportunities calendar lists internship and scholarship information for agricultural- and livestock-focused students, listed by application deadline. If you have an internship or scholarship to announce, please email it to editorial@wlj.net.)

Jan. 10 – American Angus Association, Angus Media and Angus Genetics Inc. (AGI) are offering five internship opportunities for next summer. The 10-week long internships include two opportunities for Angus Media and one opportunity each for a communications, events and education, and AGI internship. A résumé, cover letter and references may be uploaded at www.angus.org/careers.



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NATIONAL WESTERN STOCK SHOW

Williams named NWSS 2022 Citizen of the West

The National Western Stock Show (NWSS) is proud to announce Ron Williams as the 2022 Citizen of the West. This prestigious annual award recognizes those who embody Western pioneers' spirit and determination and perpetuate their agricultural heritage and ideals. A committee of community leaders selects recipients.

Williams will receive the award at a dinner in January 2022 at the National Western Events Center. Proceeds from the event support 100 scholarships that the National Western Scholarship Trust awards annually to students that attend colleges and universities in Colorado and Wyoming and major in agricultural science, rural medicine or veterinary medicine.

Williams is a respected leader in business, education, civic and philanthropic communities. He has made many contributions to the community through his longstanding service and financial commitments. Williams' contributions are indelible across Colorado and to the future of the NWSS.

Williams grew up in a small town in Nebraska, with a graduating high school class of 10. He received his undergraduate degree from Kearney State College, Kearney, NE, and his master's degree from the University of Nebraska, Lincoln, NE. Upon graduation, he moved to Denver. In 1977, he joined an oil company in which he later became an owner. He is the former president and CEO of the Gary-Williams Company. The company's community investment division, the Piton Foundation, supported nonprofits, including the Colorado Children's Campaign, Denver Preschool Program, Urban Land Conservancy and many others. This is where Williams first became involved in and found a passion for philanthropy.

Williams co-chaired the capital campaign to raise private funds for a new state-of-the-art Children's Hospital at the Fitzsimons Campus in Denver. He and his committee successfully raised $250 million to build the new hospital.

Williams has also served on the board of directors for the Denver Public Schools Foundation for a decade. He is credited with shaping and influencing education in Denver. He actively raised more than $10 million for the foundation.

"Ron is a very competitive person, and everything he does, he wants to do as well as it can be done," said Skip Miller, a long-time golfing and business colleague. Miller added, "It's demonstrated in the results he brings about."

In one of his latest philanthropic and civic endeavors, Ron served as the chairman of the National Western Stock Show Board of Directors. Ron has been a member of the board since 2004. "We've got a sizable project to reinvent the National Western and make it much larger and much better, and I've been spending all my time doing that," Williams says. "It's like starting a new career, and it's been fun."



Photo courtesy of NWSS
Ron Williams

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Ron has been instrumental in the transition of the National Western Center into a 250-acre year-round educational, research, commerce and entertainment campus, the impact of which will extend far beyond the annual NWSS.

Williams was inducted into the Colorado Business Hall of Fame in 2016, is a lifetime member and past chairman of the board of directors for Children's Hospital Colorado and is a member of the board of the hospital's foundation. He continues his philanthropic involvement by serving on the University of Colorado Hospital board and is a member of the Colorado Forum.

To say Williams has dedicated his life to helping to create a better, stronger Colorado would be an understatement. He is truly an outstanding member of this community and the 2022 Citizen of the West honoree.

Though dedicated to his career and community engagement, Ron has also devoted his life to his wife, Cille, and their daughter and two sons. He also enjoys spending time with his seven grandchildren in his spare time. — **NWSS**



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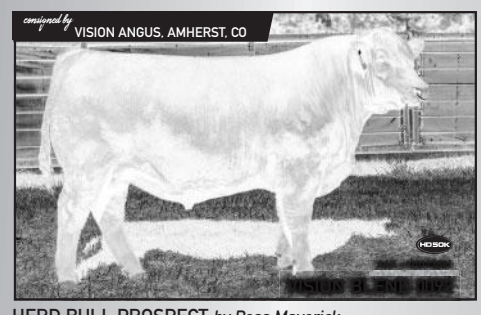
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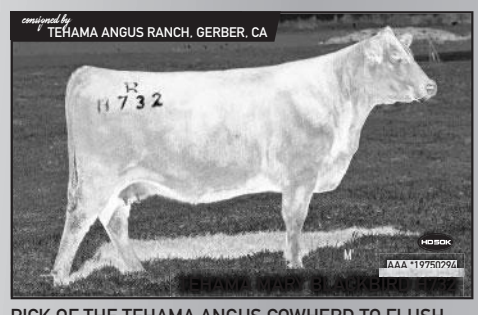
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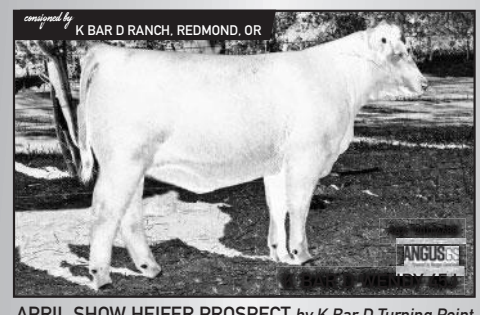
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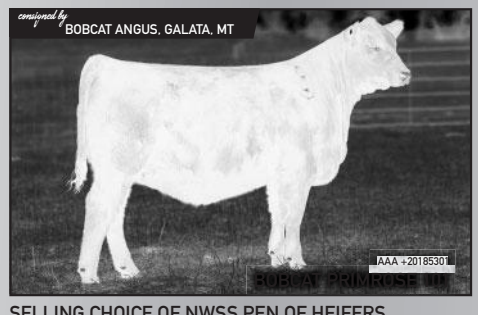
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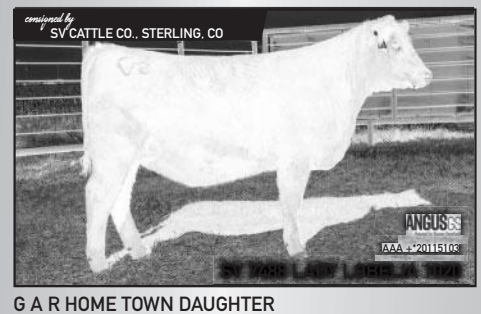
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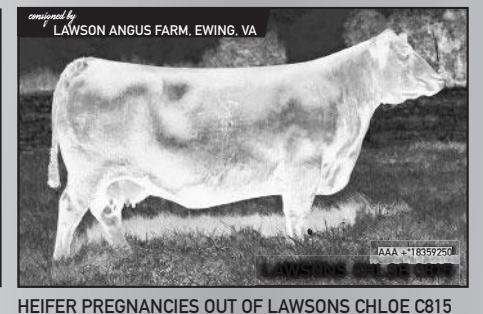
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(Send calendar of events information to editorial@wlj.net.)

Jan. 19-22 – The 2022 American Sheep Industry Association Annual Convention will be held in San Diego, CA, at the Sheraton San Diego Hotel and Marina from Jan. 19-22. Early-bird registration closes Dec. 31, but registrations can be made online until Jan. 7. All registrations after Jan. 7 must be made on-site. Details: www.sheepusa.org.

Feb. 1-3 – The 2022 National Cattlemen's Beef Association (NCBA) Cattle Industry Convention and NCBA Trade Show will take place in Houston, TX, at the Hilton Americas. Registration details: convention.ncba.org.

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NATIONAL WESTERN STOCK SHOW

Klippenstein named 2022 Friend of the National Western

The National Western Stock Show (NWSS) is proud to announce industry icon Glen Klippenstein will be honored as the 2022 Friend of the National Western. Glen has been a constant at NWSS for over 50 years as an exhibitor, judge, intercollegiate contest official, breed executive and enthusiastic spectator. For Glen, NWSS is about friends, commerce and building a bridge to consumers.

He estimates through his attendance at NWSS, service to the National Cattlemen's Beef Association (NCBA) and leadership on the Cattlemen's Beef Board—all three of which are located in the Denver metroplex—he has spent about two years of his life in the Mile High City. For him, Denver is where the business of the cattle industry gets done!

The NWSS has been the launching pad for many domestic and international sales for Glen. In one year alone at the NWSS, Glen sold a $100,000 bull and tallied a total of $400,000 in cattle and semen sales. A NWSS accomplishment that may never be equaled occurred from 1971 to 1984, when Glenkirk Farms had the Grand and/or Reserve Champion Polled Hereford bull 12 times. In addition to his exploits at NWSS, other show ring accomplishments include 19 National Polled Hereford Grand and Reserve Champions and show ring wins in 39 states and Canada.

Glen was born on May 29, 1937, in Saskatchewan, Canada, on a diversified crop and livestock farm. However, his father valued an excellent education for his family, so in 1948, the family moved to Pennsylvania to have access to better schools. Once in Pennsylvania, Glen obtained U.S. citizenship with patriotism equaled by few.

He also excelled academically and in school activities during his secondary education, serving as president or captain of various clubs and teams, as well as president and valedictorian of his class. As the "farm kid" in his class, Glen started at an early age a lifelong passion for teaching and promoting agriculture and food production "to anyone who would listen," a trait that anyone who sits beside him at an airport knows he continues with vigor to this day.

He continued to excel while an undergraduate at Pennsylvania State University, where he won practically every honor that could be bestowed on an ag student. What he valued most was the mentorship of professor Herman Purdy. It was through Purdy—who served as adviser to then-President Dwight D. Eisenhower and his Angus herd at Gettysburg Farm—that Klippenstein was able to visit Eisenhower and sit in on a multihour conversation between Purdy and Eisenhower, which Glen found "life-changing."

Upon graduation, Glen had his choice of jobs, including managing Eisenhower's farm, but his entrepreneurial spirit led him to strike out on his own. After several years farming in Pennsylvania, he made the strategic decision to move the operation to Missouri, where he would run a cow herd for the next 55 years. During his 28 years at Glenkirk Farms alone, Glen marketed over 14,000 bulls and females for a value of $42 million.

Glen quantifies whatever he can, including how best to advance his herd and the beef industry. With over 4 million ground miles traveled, he has positively impacted countless fellow breeders, executives, educators, students and consumers along the way. He was the one who convinced Walmart and Sam's Club Owner Sam Walton to carry perishable products—the first necessary step to selling beef—as well as persuaded McDonald's to spend millions promoting beef.

He was a Missouri state senator, prolific speaker and cattle judge with sales to most states and 22 other countries. He is credited with being one of several to lead the charge to a more profitable and respected cattle industry that joined the hands of cattle producers and consumers.

This energetic and enthusiastic mentor to many was chairman of a breed association, CEO of another, chairman of the National Beef Promotion and Research Board twice, chairman of the NCBA Membership Committee and vice chairman of the now $20 billion Federal Ag Mortgage Corporation, nominated by former President George W. Bush. Through it all, he always thought of Denver as his home base for promoting cattle and his herd of several breeds to best utilize the advantages of heterosis while educating consumers on the subjects of beef and ranching.



Photo courtesy of Dr. Bob Hough

Glen Klippenstein

Glen's positive impact has also gone far beyond U.S. shores. He has made multiple trips to Australia, South Africa, Argentina, Canada, Brazil, Zimbabwe, Uruguay, Guatemala, Mexico and New Zealand to promote U.S. cattle genetics, serve as a popular overseas speaker and judge numerous shows. His record in the five most populous Hereford countries—U.S., Canada, Australia, South Africa and Argentina—is unparalleled. He has judged the national shows in each of these countries, and in 1990, Glenkirk-sired cattle won Grand and/or Reserve National Champions in five countries.

Universally, Glen has been recognized as a tireless industry servant. He has traveled countless miles all over North America and the rest of the world in order to give a stellar speech or judge a show. It didn't matter whether the event was large or small; he gave it his all. Such was his commitment to agriculture and the beef industry that he did this largely as an unpaid volunteer. He was always selfless in terms of putting the industry ahead of even his own business and the opportunity to sleep in his own bed. Glen estimates that during the peak of his career, he typically spent 200 nights away from home annually. He has had over 1,000 speaking engagements and judged over 400 shows within the U.S. and internationally.

Glen's energy is infectious, his selflessness for the betterment of the industry is legendary, and his devotion to faith, family and country are unsurpassed. Most of all, his wife Linda and four children are his love and support team. NWSS is proud to recognize Glen Klippenstein as its 2022 Friend of the National Western. — **NWSS**

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First Red Angus herd developed

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Two of the most ardent spectators of this Angus invasion during the war were Waldo and Sally Forbes of Beckton Stock Farms near Sheridan, WY. Both Waldo and Sally came from established New England families, and in the 1930s, Waldo took over the active management of the ranch that had been owned by the Forbes family since the 1890s. After marrying Waldo in 1939, Sally moved to the ranch "sight unseen" in 1940, where she would spend the rest of her life.

Waldo and Sally were intrigued with the possibilities of what Angus could offer Western ranchers, but they were completely turned off by the overfed show cattle and what they felt was the artificial environment they were being selected in. After a series of meetings with the then-young Jay Lush trained geneticist Dr. H. H. Stonaker at Colorado State University, the Forbeses learned of the then-embryonic movement of selecting cattle objectively.

By 1945, the Forbeses were convinced that performance testing was the future, and they started putting together a herd of red coat color Angus to test the theory. They used professor Tomhave to locate their foundation stock to ensure they were getting quality, purebred Angus seedstock. Using reds could only be described as being contrary, as the red color was considered a genetic defect in the U.S., and the Forbeses also kept a herd of black Angus that they selected based on conventional practices.

Although the Forbeses had developed the foundation herd of the Red Angus breed, others started to take their lead, the most notable of which was George Chiga of Oklahoma. By 1954, they felt they had gained enough critical mass to start an association. With seven founding members, this new association would be built around the principles of performance testing, even though most of the practices had yet to be worked out.

For instance, weaning weights were required to register an animal, but the 205-day standard adjustment had yet to be determined. Therefore, there was a blank until it was decided to use 200 or 205 days. Waldo was the one who incorporated the new association. With a board made up of men and women, including one minor, Colorado was the friendliest to the association's bylaws, so the new association's corporate address was the Exchange Building on the NWSS grounds until well into the 2000s.

Whether it was Hereford's domination, Angus' try at a new market share or the formation of the Red Angus breed, the NWSS was and is where people gather and get business done. — **Dr. Bob Hough, *WLJ* correspondent**

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2022 Stock Show Schedule of Events

Saturday, Jan. 8

8:00 a.m. — Red Angus Junior Show, Stadium Arena
9:00 a.m. — Colorado Rocky Mountain Fiddle Championships, Beef Palace Auction Arena
9:00 a.m. — Shorn Fleece/Walking Fiber Show (Alpaca), Murdoch's Jr. Barn
9:00 a.m. — Youth Ranch Horse Mentor Matchup, CINCH Arena, Events Center
9:30 a.m. — Farmyard Follies, Ames Activity Pavilion
10:00 a.m. — Llama Walking Fiber Show, Murdoch's Jr. Barn
10:30 a.m. — Farmyard Follies, Ames Activity Pavilion
11:00 a.m. — Colorado vs. The World Rodeo: CINCH World Team Semi-Final, Denver Coliseum
12:30 p.m. — CAM's Classroom: Experience Agriculture, CSU Ag Adventure
12:30 p.m. — Top Hogs of the Wild West, Ames Activity Pavilion
1:00 p.m. — An Afternoon with Llamas/Alpacas, Stadium Arena
2:00 p.m. — Top Hogs of the Wild West, Ames Activity Pavilion
3:30 p.m. — Colorado vs The World Rodeo: RAM Team Colorado Semi-Final, Denver Coliseum
3:30 p.m. — Folkloric Dancers, Ames Activity Pavilion
5:00 p.m. — Stick Horse Rodeo presented by Centura Health, Ames Activity Pavilion
5:30 p.m. — Invitational Ranch Rodeo, CINCH Arena, National Western Events Center
8:00 p.m. — Colorado vs. The World Rodeo Finals, Denver Coliseum

Sunday, Jan. 9

7:00 a.m. — Collegiate Meats Judging Awards Breakfast, Denver Renaissance
8:00 a.m. — Colorado Rocky Mountain Fiddle Championship, Beef Palace Auction Arena
9:00 a.m. — Gelbvieh & Balancer Heifer & Bull Pen Show, Witwer Show Arena
9:00 a.m. — National Western Cowboy Church, CINCH Arena, Events Center
9:30 a.m. — Farmyard Follies, Ames Activity Pavilion
10:00 a.m. — Catch-A-Calf Show, Photo Session & Final Awards, Stadium Arena
10:00 a.m. — National Wagyu Female & Bull Show, Witwer Show Arena
10:30 a.m. — Farmyard Follies, Ames Activity Pavilion
11:30 a.m. — Stick Horse Grand Prix presented by Centura Health, Ames Activity Pavilion
12:30 p.m. — CAM's Classroom: Experience Agriculture, CSU Ag Adventure
1:00 p.m. — Llama/Alpaca Show, Stadium Arena
1:00 p.m. — Red Angus Pen Show, Witwer Show Arena
1:00 p.m. — Stick Horse Rodeo presented by Centura Health, Ames Activity Pavilion
2:00 p.m. — Mexican Rodeo Extravaganza, Denver Coliseum
2:00 p.m. — RAM Invitational Freestyle Reining, CINCH Arena, Events Center
2:30 p.m. — Stick Horse Rodeo presented by Centura Health, Ames Activity Pavilion
4:30 p.m. — Folkloric Dancers, Ames Activity Pavilion
6:30 p.m. — Mexican Rodeo Extravaganza, Denver Coliseum

Monday, Jan. 10

7:30 a.m. — AQHA/APHA Quarter Horse & Paint Horse Show, Denver Coliseum
8:00 a.m. — Gelbvieh & Balancer Show, Stadium Arena
8:00 a.m. — Gelbvieh Junior Heifer Show, Stadium Arena
8:00 a.m. — Red Angus Open Show, Stadium Arena
10:00 a.m. — Farmyard Follies, Ames Activity Pavilion
11:00 a.m. — Farmyard Follies, Ames Activity Pavilion
12:00 p.m. — Stick Horse Rodeo presented by Centura Health, Ames Activity Pavilion
12:30 p.m. — CAM's Classroom: Experience Agriculture, CSU Ag Adventure
1:00 p.m. — South Devon Junior and Open Show, Stadium Arena
1:30 p.m. — Stick Horse Rodeo presented by Centura Health, Ames Activity Pavilion
3:00 p.m. — Stick Horse Grand Prix presented by Centura Health, Ames Activity Pavilion
4:00 p.m. — Stick Horse Grand Prix presented by Centura Health, Ames Activity Pavilion
7:00 p.m. — PBR Bull Riding, Denver Coliseum

Tuesday, Jan. 11

All-day — Free Grounds Admission Day compliments of Arrow Electronics, National Western Campus
7:30 a.m. — AQHA/APHA Quarter Horse & Paint Horse Show, Denver Coliseum
8:00 a.m. — NRCHA Reined Cow Horse Show, CINCH Arena/Events Center
9:00 a.m. — Limousin/Lim-Flex Junior and Open Show, Stadium Arena
10:00 a.m. — Braunvieh Junior and Open Show, Witwer Show Arena
10:00 a.m. — Farmyard Follies, Ames Activity Pavilion
10:00 a.m. — Miniature Zebu Show, Stadium Arena
10:30 a.m. — CAM's Classroom: Experience Agriculture, CSU Ag Adventure
11:00 a.m. — Farmyard Follies, Ames Activity Pavilion
12:30 p.m. — Sheep Shearing, Ames Activity Pavilion
1:30 p.m. — Junior Market Goat Showmanship, Murdoch's Jr. Barn
2:00 p.m. — Stick Horse Rodeo presented by Centura Health, Ames Activity Pavilion
3:00 p.m. — Stick Horse Rodeo presented by Centura Health, Ames Activity Pavilion
4:00 p.m. — Junior Wether Doe Show, Murdoch's Jr. Barn
5:15 p.m. — PBR 101, Denver Coliseum
6:00 p.m. — NRCHA Reined Cow Horse Show Bridle Feature, CINCH Arena/Events Center
6:30 p.m. — DMCC Goat Roping, Stadium Arena
7:00 p.m. — PBR Bull Riding, Denver Coliseum

Wednesday, Jan. 12

7:30 a.m. — AQHA/APHA Quarter Horse & Paint Horse Show & Finals, Denver Coliseum
8:00 a.m. — Hereford Junior Heifer Show, Stadium Arena
8:00 a.m. — NRCHA Reined Cow Horse Show, CINCH Arena/Events Center
9:00 a.m. — Limousin & Lim-Flex Carload & Pen Show, Witwer Show Arena
9:00 a.m. — Open Boer Goat Show, Murdoch's Jr. Barn
10:00 a.m. — Farmyard Follies, Ames Activity Pavilion
10:30 a.m. — CAM's Classroom: Experience Agriculture, CSU Ag Adventure
11:00 a.m. — Farmyard Follies, Ames Activity Pavilion
12:30 p.m. — Sheep Shearing, Ames Activity Pavilion
1:00 p.m. — Andis Cattle Grooming Demonstration, Beef Palace Auction Arena
1:30 p.m. — Old West Cowboy Antics, Ames Activity Pavilion
1:30 p.m. — Pro Rodeo – 4-H Day, Denver Coliseum
2:00 p.m. — National Jr. American Aberdeen Female Show (Fullblood & %), Witwer Show Arena
2:30 p.m. — Stick Horse Rodeo presented by Centura Health, Ames Activity Pavilion
3:00 p.m. — National Salers Heifer & Bull Pen Show, Witwer Show Arena
4:30 p.m. — Hereford Sale Cattle Display, Witwer Show Arena
4:30 p.m. — Old West Cowboy Antics, Ames Activity Pavilion
6:00 p.m. — National Hereford Sale, Witwer Show Arena
7:30 p.m. — Monarch Casino Gambler's Choice Jumper Stake, CINCH Arena/Events Center
7:30 p.m. — Pro Rodeo, Denver Coliseum

Thursday, Jan. 13

8:00 a.m. — USEF Hunter/Jumper Show, CINCH Arena/Events Center
9:00 a.m. — Angus Junior Show, Stadium Arena
9:00 a.m. — Hereford Bull Show, Stadium Arena
10:00 a.m. — Farmyard Follies, Ames Activity Pavilion
10:30 a.m. — CAM's Classroom: Experience Agriculture, CSU Ag Adventure
11:00 a.m. — Farmyard Follies, Ames Activity Pavilion
12:30 p.m. — Sheep Shearing, Ames Activity Pavilion
1:30 p.m. — Old West Cowboy Antics, Ames Activity Pavilion
2:30 p.m. — CINCH Equicross, Denver Coliseum
2:30 p.m. — Stick Horse Grand Prix presented by Centura Health, Ames Activity Pavilion
6:00 p.m. — Frontier Airlines Mutton Bustin', Stadium Arena
7:00 p.m. — Pink Pro Rodeo, Denver Coliseum

Friday, Jan. 14

7:00 a.m. — USEF Hunter/Jumper Show, CINCH Arena/Events Center
8:00 a.m. — Angus ROV Bull & Female Show, Stadium Arena
8:00 a.m. — Hereford Pen/Carload Bull Show, Witwer Show Arena
9:00 a.m. — Herd Sire Display Opens, Stockyards
9:30 a.m. — Hereford Pen of Heifer Show, Witwer Show Arena
10:00 a.m. — Farmyard Follies, Ames Activity Pavilion
10:30 a.m. — CAM's Classroom: Experience Agriculture, CSU Ag Adventure
11:00 a.m. — Farmyard Follies, Ames Activity Pavilion
12:00 p.m. — Maine-Anjou/Maine-tainer Pen Show, Witwer Show Arena
12:30 p.m. — Sheep Shearing, Ames Activity Pavilion
1:00 p.m. — Andis Cattle Grooming Demonstration, Beef Palace Auction Arena
1:30 p.m. — Old West Cowboy Antics, Ames Activity Pavilion
1:30 p.m. — Pro Rodeo – 4-H Day, Denver Coliseum
2:00 p.m. — National Jr. American Aberdeen Female Show (Fullblood & %), Witwer Show Arena
2:30 p.m. — Stick Horse Rodeo presented by Centura Health, Ames Activity Pavilion
3:00 p.m. — National Salers Heifer & Bull Pen Show, Witwer Show Arena
4:30 p.m. — Hereford Sale Cattle Display, Witwer Show Arena
4:30 p.m. — Old West Cowboy Antics, Ames Activity Pavilion
6:00 p.m. — National Hereford Sale, Witwer Show Arena
7:30 p.m. — Monarch Casino Gambler's Choice Jumper Stake, CINCH Arena/Events Center
7:30 p.m. — Pro Rodeo, Denver Coliseum

Saturday, Jan. 15

7:00 a.m. — USEF Hunter/Jumper Show, CINCH Arena/Events Center
8:00 a.m. — Angus Bull/Heifer Pen/Carload Show, Witwer Show Arena
8:30 a.m. — Charolais Pen Show, Witwer Show Arena
9:00 a.m. — Herd Sire Display Opens, Wagner West Plaza
9:00 a.m. — Hereford Open Show, Stadium Arena
9:00 a.m. — Junior and Open Maine-Anjou, Mainetainer, Maine-Angus Show, Stadium Arena
9:30 a.m. — Farmyard Follies, Ames Activity Pavilion
10:30 a.m. — Farmyard Follies, Ames Activity Pavilion
11:00 a.m. — 47th National Salers Sale, Wagner Equipment Sale Arena
11:00 a.m. — Pro Rodeo – CSU Performance, Denver Coliseum
11:30 a.m. — Wild West Show Preview, Ames Activity Pavilion
12:30 a.m. — CAM's Classroom: Experience Agriculture, CSU Ag Adventure
1:00 p.m. — 43rd National Charolais Sale, Wagner Equipment Sale Arena
1:00 p.m. — Simmental Pen of Heifers Show, Witwer Show Arena
1:00 p.m. — Top Hogs of the Wild West, Ames Activity Pavilion
2:00 p.m. — Longhorn Cattle Drive, Hall of Education
2:00 p.m. — National American Aberdeen Bull Show (Fullblood & %), Witwer Show Arena
2:30 p.m. — Top Hogs of the Wild West, Ames Activity Pavilion
3:30 p.m. — Pro Rodeo, Denver Coliseum
4:00 p.m. — Junior Market Lamb Showmanship, Murdoch's Jr. Barn
4:30 p.m. — Stick Horse Rodeo presented by Centura Health, Ames Activity Pavilion
5:00 p.m. — Wild West Show, CINCH Arena/Events Center
7:30 p.m. — Top of the Rockies Jumper Stake, CINCH Arena/Events Center
8:00 p.m. — Pro Rodeo, Denver Coliseum

Sunday, Jan. 16

7:00 a.m. — USEF Hunter/Jumper Show, CINCH Arena/Events Center
8:00 a.m. — Junior Percentage Charolais Heifer Show/Junior Charolais Heifer Show, Stadium Arena
9:00 a.m. — Herd Sire Display Opens, Wagner West Plaza
9:00 a.m. — Junior Market Lamb Show, Murdoch's Jr. Barn
9:00 a.m. — National American Aberdeen Female Show (Fullblood & %), Witwer Show Arena
9:00 a.m. — Salers Jr. Breeding Heifer/47th National Salers Open Show, Stadium Arena
9:00 a.m. — Simmental Pen of Bulls Show, Witwer Show Arena
9:30 a.m. — Farmyard Follies, Ames Activity Pavilion
10:00 a.m. — Founders Memorial Church Service, Denver Coliseum
10:30 a.m. — Farmyard Follies, Ames Activity Pavilion
11:30 a.m. — Wild West Show Preview, Ames Activity Pavilion
12:30 p.m. — CAM's Classroom: Experience Agriculture, CSU Ag Adventure
1:00 p.m. — Top Hogs of the Wild West, Ames Activity Pavilion
2:00 p.m. — National American Aberdeen Sale, Wagner Equipment Sale Arena
2:00 p.m. — Pro Rodeo, Denver Coliseum
2:30 p.m. — Stick Horse Rodeo presented by Centura Health, Ames Activity Pavilion
4:00 p.m. — Stick Horse Rodeo presented by Centura Health, Ames Activity Pavilion
4:00 p.m. — Wild West Show, CINCH Arena/Events Center
6:00 p.m. — Junior Market Lamb Champion Selection, Stadium Arena
6:30 p.m. — Pro Rodeo – Canadian Night, Denver Coliseum

Monday, Jan. 17

7:00 a.m. — USEF Hunter/Jumper Show, CINCH Arena/Events Center
8:00 a.m. — 53rd National ROE Charolais Show, Stadium Arena
8:00 a.m. — Chianina/ Chiangus Junior Show, Stadium Arena
9:30 a.m. — Chianina/Chiangus Bull/Female Show, Stadium Arena
10:00 a.m. — Farmyard Follies, Ames Activity Pavilion
11:00 a.m. — Farmyard Follies, Ames Activity Pavilion
12:30 p.m. — CAM's Classroom: Experience Agriculture, CSU Ag Adventure
12:30 p.m. — Xtreme Dogs Pat & Chat, Ames Activity Pavilion
1:00 p.m. — American Galloway Show, Witwer Show Arena
1:00 p.m. — Pro Rodeo, Denver Coliseum
2:00 p.m. — Simmental Sale, Livestock Wagner Equipment Sale Arena
2:00 p.m. — Stick Horse Grand Prix presented by Centura Health, Ames Activity Pavilion
3:00 p.m. — Xtreme Dogs, CINCH Arena/Events Center
3:30 p.m. — Stick Horse Grand Prix presented by Centura Health, Ames Activity Pavilion
5:00 p.m. — Stick Horse Rodeo presented by Centura Health, Ames Activity Pavilion
6:00 p.m. — MLK Jr. African American Heritage Rodeo, Denver Coliseum
6:00 p.m. — Sure Champ Olympic Games, Murdoch's Jr. Barn
7:00 p.m. — Grand Prix, CINCH Arena/Events Center

Tuesday, Jan. 18

8:00 a.m. — Horseman's Challenge, CINCH Arena/Events Center
8:00 a.m. — Junior and Open Shorthorn Shows, Stadium Arena
8:00 a.m. — Junior Simmental Show, Stadium Arena
10:00 a.m. — Farmyard Follies, Ames Activity Pavilion
10:30 a.m. — CAM's Classroom: Experience Agriculture, CSU Ag Adventure
11:00 a.m. — Farmyard Follies, Ames Activity Pavilion
11:00 a.m. — Piedmontese Show, Witwer Show Arena
12:30 p.m. — Sheep Shearing, Ames Activity Pavilion
2:00 p.m. — Xtreme Dogs Pat & Chat, Ames Activity Pavilion
3:00 p.m. — Stick Horse Grand Prix presented by Centura Health, Ames Activity Pavilion
4:00 p.m. — Junior Market Swine Showmanship, Murdoch's Jr. Barn
4:30 p.m. — Stick Horse Grand Prix presented by Centura Health, Ames Activity Pavilion
6:00 p.m. — Frontier Airlines Mutton Bustin', Stadium Arena
6:30 p.m. — Xtreme Dogs, CINCH Arena/Events Center
7:00 p.m. — Pro Rodeo, Military Appreciation Night, Denver Coliseum

Wednesday, Jan. 19

8:00 a.m. — Horseman's Challenge, CINCH Arena/Events Center
8:00 a.m. — Open Simmental Show, Stadium Arena
9:00 a.m. — Junior Market Swine Show, Murdoch's Jr. Barn
9:00 a.m. — Shorthorn Pen Show, Witwer Show Arena
9:30 a.m. — Remarkable Roundup, Denver Coliseum
10:00 a.m. — Farmyard Follies, Ames Activity Pavilion

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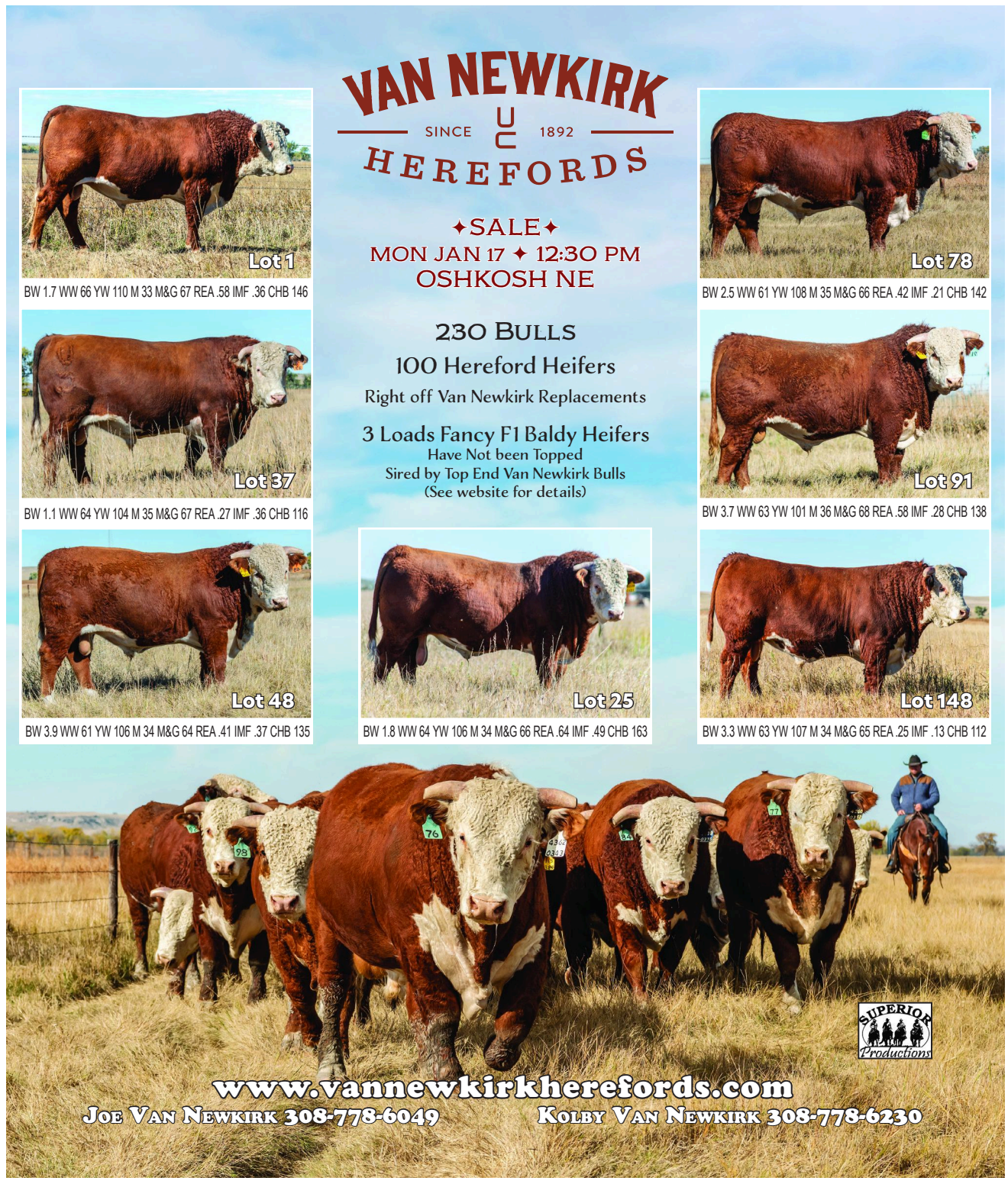

MARKET NEWS

MARKET SITUATION REPORT

WLJ compiles its market reports, ODJ stories and statistics from USDA and independent marketing organizations.

MARKET AT A GLANCE

	This Week: 12/21/2021		Week Ago	Year Ago
Choice Fed Steers	135.06	▼	137.17	105.12
CME Feeder Index	160.34	▼	161.08	139.99
Boxed Beef Average	261.39	▼	262.97	207.54
Average Dressed Steers	215.00	▼	218.36	17.67
Live Slaughter Weight*	1,487	▲	1,446	1,613
Weekly Slaughter**	657,000	▼	668,000	659,000
Weekly Beef Production	550.6	▼	558.6	550.1
Hide/Offal Value	13.72	▼	13.96	9.09
Corn Price	5.98	▲	5.91	4.47

*Average weight for previous week. **Total slaughter for previous week. ***Estimated year-to-date figure in million pounds for previous week.

89BEEF REPORT: Weekly Composite Boxed Beef

WEEK ENDING	COMPREHENSIVE Loads	COMPREHENSIVE Price	PRIME Loads	PRIME Price	BRANDED Loads	BRANDED Price	CHOICE Loads	CHOICE Price	SELECT Loads	SELECT Price	UNGRADED Loads	UNGRADED Price
December 17	6,636	268.28	257	328.37	1,120	267.75	2,234	263.30	837	250.07	2,189	242.53
December 10	7,136	271.37	238	342.32	1,239	274.11	2,181	266.93	878	254.87	2,600	244.51
December 3	7,077	275.14	248	353.19	1,233	279.92	2,318	272.38	914	256.57	2,363	246.90
November 26	6,843	279.44	266	358.00	1,343	284.46	2,056	275.05	806	261.23	2,372	250.20

Cutouts — FED BOXED BEEF

DATE	CHOICE	SELECT	COW BEEF CUTOUT	50% LEAN	90% LEAN
December 23	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
December 22	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
December 21	261.39	249.92	227.46	96.10	273.00
December 20	262.38	250.67	228.71	89.52	276.33
December 17	263.01	248.28	227.45	96.26	274.01

CATTLE FUTURES: CME Live Cattle

	12/17	12/20	12/21	12/22	12/23	High*	Low*
Dec.	13475	13448	13553	N/A	N/A	13823	10527
Feb.	13643	13598	13693	N/A	N/A	13965	10920
Apr.	14060	14018	14135	N/A	N/A	14385	12525
Jun.	13605	13548	13638	N/A	N/A	14240	13055

CATTLE FUTURES: CME Feeder Cattle

	12/17	12/20	12/21	12/22	12/23	High*	Low*
Jan.	16025	15923	16085	N/A	N/A	17068	14110
Mar.	16170	16050	16183	N/A	N/A	17025	15385
Apr.	16488	16375	16540	N/A	N/A	17073	15425
May	16725	16625	16798	N/A	N/A	17755	16625

*High and low figures are for the life of the contract.

FED CATTLE TRADE

	Head Count	Avg. Weight	Avg. Price
WEEKLY WEIGHTED AVERAGES			
Live FOB Steer	7,546	1,487	135.06
Live FOB Heifer	2,698	1,363	135.00
Dressed Del Steer	25	891	215.00
Dressed Del Heifer	N/A	N/A	N/A
SAME PERIOD LAST WEEK			
Live FOB Steer	10,765	1,446	137.17
Live FOB Heifer	4,111	1,336	137.34
Dressed Del Steer	7,057	947	218.36
Dressed Del Heifer	2,345	843	218.13
SAME PERIOD LAST YEAR			
Live FOB Steer	2,535	1,613	105.12
Live FOB Heifer	180	1,400	106.00
Dressed Del Steer	N/A	N/A	N/A
Dressed Del Heifer	N/A	N/A	N/A

NATIONAL WEEKLY FED BEEF SLAUGHTER VOLUME

	Domestic	Imported
Forward Contract	40,576	6,064
Formula	271,568	0
Negotiated Cash	85,150	2,918
Negotiated Grid	39,159	0
Packer Owned	7,162	0
Total	**443,615**	**8,982**

SLAUGHTER FORWARD CONTRACTS		FORWARD BEEF SALES	
Delivery Month		Neg. Sales 0-21 days	1,859
Dec. '21	172,893	Neg. Sales 21+ days	1,325
Jan. '22	177,206	Formula sales	3,318
Feb. '22	169,802	Forward contract sales	133
Mar. '22	191,124	Domestic sales	5,561
Apr. '22	198,889	NAFTA Exports	76

CANADIAN LIVESTOCK PRICES & FEDERAL INSPECTED SLAUGHTER FIGURES

Alberta Direct Sales (4% shrink)	Price	Weekly Change
Slaughter Steers, mostly Choice & Select 1-3, 1300-1500 lbs	129.57	1.63
Slaughter Heifers, mostly Choice & Select 1-3, 1200-1400 lbs	128.75	2.45
Ontario Auctions		
Slaughter Steers, mostly Choice & Select 1-3, 1300-1500 lbs	130.71	3.78
Slaughter Heifers, mostly Choice & Select 1-3, 1200-1400 lbs	128.47	N/A
Slaughter Cows, Cutter and Utility 1-3, 1100-1400 lbs	46.57	1.37

*Price comparison from one week ago.

Average feeder cattle prices (CND) for week ending Friday, December 10, 2021

Steers:	Alberta	Saskatchewan	Ontario
501-600 lbs	166.03	165.51	17.37
601-700 lbs	152.08	152.83	161.17
701-800 lbs	148.17	147.34	149.44
801-900 lbs	142.77	141.91	151.63
Heifers:			
401-500 lbs	148.49	145.59	134.95
501-600 lbs	140.76	138.36	136.39
601-700 lbs	136.44	134.95	133.16
701-800 lbs	133.94	133.38	128.95

USDA MEXICO TO U.S. WEEKLY LIVESTOCK IMPORTS

Feeder cattle imports weekly and yearly volume.

Species	Current Week	Previous Week	Current Year-to-date	Previous Year-to-date
	12/18/21	12/11/21		
Feeders	35,202	35,050	1,085,466	1,408,019

USDA WEEKLY IMPORTED FEEDER CATTLE

Friday 12/17/2021
Mexico to TX. & NM. Weekly Feeder Cattle Import Summary
Receipts EST: 23,000 Week Ago Act: 24,699 Year Ago Act:26,881

Compared to last week, steer calves and and yearlings sold steady. Heifers steady. Trade active, demand good. The bulk of the supply consisted of steers and spayed heifers weighing 300-700 lbs.

Feeder steers: Medium and large 1&2, 300-400 lbs 175.00-190.00; 400-500 lbs 160.00-175.00; 500-600 lbs 148.00-162.00, few 163.00; 600-700 lbs 140.00-152.00, few 153.00. Medium and large 2&3, 300-400 lbs 160.00-175.00; 400-500 lbs 145.00-160.00; 500-600 lbs 133.00-147.00.

Feeder heifers: Medium and large 1&2, 300-400 lbs 150.00-164.00; 400-500 lbs 140.00-154.00; 500-600 lbs 130.00-144.00, few 145.00; 600-700 lbs 124.00-134.00.

(All sales fob port of entry.)

Selected Auction — Week Ending December 21, 2021

Feeder prices for steers & heifers reflect medium and large 1 cattle, unless otherwise noted; * Indicates medium and large 1-2

STEERS / HEIFERS

DATE / MARKET		200-300 lb.	300-400 lb.	400-500 lb.	500-600 lb.	600-700 lb.	700-800 lb.	800 lb. -up	SLAUGHTER COWS / SLAUGHTER BULLS	PAIRS / REPLACEMENTS	
December 17 Blackfoot, ID	N/A		145-188 130-164	140-177 130-164	140-182 130-163	134-160 127-150	132-148 125-138	127-143 122-130	53-66 64-86.50		NORTHWEST
No report available Burley, ID											
No report available Emmett, ID											
December 18 Eugene, OR	1,086		135-160* 110-135*	147-152* 120-140*	130-155* 132-	120-153* 100-119*	110-143* 100-118*	96-111*	62-70 92-110	595-910 300-960	
No report available Madras, OR											
December 15 Vale, OR	3,365		171-213 138-180	160-204 135-160	149-188 125-157	141-167.25 128-149	134-153		45-68.50 68-87		
December 13 Davenport, WA	727	90-175 96-175	115-151 41-140	118-160.50 51-141.50	61-160.50 75-147	85-154.50 90-141	100-148 100-139.50	83-136 63-132	40-99 59.50-87	1,250 800	
December 16 Toppenish, WA	1,350			178-179.50* 146*	163-177* 139-144*	142* 132*			53-68.50 69-90		
December 16 Orland, CA	3,390			140-216	130-194	120-170	110-158		55-70	1,100-1,725 800-1,300	FARWEST
December 20 Escalon, CA	N/A		125-160 125-150		120-155 120-145		120-140 100-135	100-125 95-115	52-60 60-96.50	800-1,300 700-1,300	
No report available Famoso, CA											
No report available Galt, CA											
No report available Turlock, CA											
December 14 Salina, UT	1,525		140-184 132.50-172.50	138-195 127.50-162.50	140-180 122.50-155	135-160 124.50-147.75	134-156.75 117-140.50	102.50-148 56.25-134.50	30-65 72-95.50		
December 20 Iowa	16,789		189-224 153-185	175-224 150-185.75	165-204 144-194	151.50-183 137-167.50	146-176.25 134-159.50	133-166.75 133-153.50			NORTH CENTRAL
No report available Miles City, MT											
No report available Bassett, NE											
December 18 Ericson, NE	2,461									535-2,375	
No report available Imperial, NE											
December 15 Kearney, NE	4,400			198-216 179-200	173.25-197 159.50-172.50	161.50-177.75 154-167	162.50-174 150.50-160	152-172.25 145.50			
December 17 Lexington, NE	4,295			184.50-194.50 150-173.25	160-183.50 152-169.50	151.50-175.50 146-163	151-168.50 140.50-155.50	149.85-157.25 149-152			
December 16 Ogallala, NE	5,965		235 179-186	199-219 171.50-196.50	170-211 157.50-183.50	157-184 150.50-170.50	161.50-176	164.50-167.50 142.50-157			
December 16 Valentine, NE	3,955		188-192	209-221 170-181	192.50-212.50 154-179	170-191 142-158	141-186.50	144-172 151.50-155.25			
December 17 Herreid, SD	2,018			198-210 170.50-176	169.50-194 153.25-170	162.50-192 154.50-169.75	166.50-168.25 141.50	168.75 147.50			
December 17 Torrington, WY	2,115								59-82.50 82.50-94		
December 16 Willcox, AZ	1,691	181 137-164	183-216 146-161	160-208 139-154	147-180 138-149.50	154-174.50 130-149			50-73 72-89	785-1,025	SOUTH CENTRAL
December 20 Colorado	16,193		199-228 181-200	180-216 160-193	158-203 143-173	151-177 131-159	146-169 131-153	151.50-161 124-146.50	32-76.50 77-104	710-2,550	
December 15 La Junta, CO	2,536		192-226 175-194	180-205 148-170	165-185 140-156	152-177 138-148	147-155.50 130-136	148.50-154	46-72.50 82-104		
December 10 Loma, CO	1,325		159	197-201 164-171	158-193 152-160	168-170 152-155	160	148-156	41-63 81-87		
No report available Dodge City, KS											
No report available Pratt, KS											
December 16 Salina, KS	3,832		200-210 153-160	184-202 151-167	175.50-205 145-169.50	160-175.50 145-158	153-166.50 145-158	143-164.25 125-151			
No report available Clovis, NM											
No report available El Reno, OK											
No report available McAlester, OK											
No report available Oklahoma City, OK											
December 17 Cuero, TX	1,986	142-184 119-150	143-188 127-168	145-208 127-177	141-165 126-154	137-156 123-145	128-150 116-162		48-71 70-94		
December 16 Dalhart, TX	2,118		192-227 176-180	188-217 160-183	156-188 151-170	150-167 138.25-158	153-163 141-145.25	159 140	56-78 83-91		
December 16 San Angelo, TX	1,1885		165-205 129-168	155-189 131-154	137-182 129-145	127-150 126-138	120-148 114-123		46-69 75-92	900-1,275	
December 16 Tulia, TX	1,203		183 149-155	154-173 143.50-155	147-185.50 134-149	150-159 128-150.50	137.75-163.75	150.50 131.50-137.50	60-71 87.50		
December 17 Alabama	13,642	188-210 150-160	171-207 135-167.50	160-202 124-155	148-179.50 122.50-152	136-168 115-147	129-150 104-144.50	118-159 115-120	47-79 73-106.50	310-1,450 300-1,400	EAST
December 20 Lexington, KY	447		170-184* 132-141*	165-180* 125-145*	150-168* 127-148*	135-166* 125-134*	135-144*	110-156.50*	44-70 68-106	750-1,050 600-825	
December 20 Joplin, MO	5,146		200-212.50 160-167	185-207 157-167	169-196 145-157	162.50-176 147-161.75	158.50-165 145.50-149	154.50-159.25 139-147			
December 20 Tennessee	5,936	165-230* 141-192.50*	160-212.50* 125-172.50*	150-197* 127-161*	140-187.50* 118-146*	119-162.50* 104-159*	116-153* 105-145*	125-145.50* 90-122*	38-83 64-115	1,000-1,800 600-1,150	
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Cattle markets add Christmas cheer, but drought is a grinch

Cattle markets are adding to the holiday spirit as 2021 comes to a close. Optimism that has built in feeder cattle markets in the second half of the year has been enhanced and consolidated with the fed cattle market breaking out and moving sharply higher in the last two months of the year. Fed cattle prices have increased roughly 12 percent since late October and are about 29 percent higher compared to one year ago in December.

Oklahoma calf and stocker prices in mid-December are up 15 percent from the fall low in early October and are roughly 12 percent higher than the same time last year. Heavy feeder cattle prices have increased about 5 percent since October and are ending the year about 18 percent higher year over year.

The auction totals for feeder cattle have been up nearly 10 percent year over year since September, with the December totals up over 22 percent compared to last year. Rising market prices apparently encouraged some producers to hold off until after Thanksgiving to market feeder cattle this year.

Rapidly expanding drought conditions are threatening winter wheat grazing in the Southern Plains. Dwindling forage supplies may already be causing some wheat pasture removals and could be contributing to the strong December feeder cattle auction volumes.

The majority of Oklahoma has received little or no precipitation in the past month. Without additional moisture very soon, more wheat pastures will have to be destocked. Current forecasts show little chance for precipitation in the region into January. Wildfires have already caused much damage in the Plains, and the risk remains very high.

Across the U.S., drought conditions are expanding, with the latest Drought Monitor indicating that nearly 74 percent of the U.S. is abnormally dry or in some stage of drought. La Niña conditions are expected to persist through the winter, shifting the drought focus back to the Southwest and Southern Plains and potentially improving drought conditions in California and the Pacific Northwest. — **Derrell S. Peel, Oklahoma State University Extension livestock marketing specialist**

Most yards closed for the holidays

MARKETS
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a few thousand head short of the same time a week earlier. Slaughter for the week is likely to be lower due to the holiday. Total slaughter for the week ended Dec. 20 is projected to reach 657,000 head. Slaughter for the first week of December is estimated at 682,269 head.

Boxed beef prices continue to trend lower. Compared to the previous Thursday, the Choice cutout lost about $1.50 to close at $261.39 on Tuesday, and the Select cutout lost about $1.75 to close at $249.92.

"Packer margins are still record wide, and when including revenue from all boxed beef sales, last week netted over $300 per head," Fish said.

Feeder cattle

Feeder cattle futures saw some gains Tuesday but ultimately closed lower compared to the previous week. The January contract lost about $1.70 to close at $160.85, and the March contract lost $2.50 to close at $161.82.

Regarding Tuesday's rally, Stewart said: "The rally comes as a pleasant surprise as the market was anticipating a week of entirely lower trade given that it's the week of Christmas and the holidays usually blanket the market with a lethargic tone."

Corn futures gained some value, closing just under $6. The March contract gained 7 cents to close at $5.98, and the May contract also gained 7 cents to close at $5.99.

"Even the best of winter weather can present its own problems to those feeding cattle. This year has been blessed with mild open weather conditions that have led to optimum gain for cattle on feed," the Cattle Report wrote.

"This past week witnessed the first week for carcass weights to exceed last year when backed up supplies of fed cattle couldn't find slaughter slots. Now we might find excess tonnage of beef from heavy cattle that have performed well in all regions of the country."

Many auction markets closed their doors the week of Christmas, out on holiday until after New Year's.

Missouri: Joplin Regional Stockyards in Carthage sold 5,500 head Monday. Compared to a week earlier, feeder steers traded steady. Feeder heifers under 550 lbs. sold steady, with heavier weights trading steady to $3 higher.

New Mexico: Roswell Livestock Auction in Roswell sold 1,050 head on Monday. Compared to a week earlier, there was a very uneven market on steer and heifer calves, mostly $2-4 higher, with instances of $9-16 higher. Feeders over 600 lbs. sold $6 higher on comparable quotes. Benchmark steers averaging 709 lbs. sold between $144-155, averaging $152.23.

South Dakota: Sioux Falls Regional Cattle Auction in Worthing sold 2,522 head Monday. Compared to a week earlier, feeder steers 550 lbs. and under sold $1-4 higher, 550-650 lbs. sold $1-3 lower, 650-700 lbs. sold steady to $3 higher, 700-750 lbs. sold steady to $2 lower and 1,000-1,050 lbs. sold $4-6 lower. Feeder heifers 350-500 lbs. sold $1-3 lower, 500-650 lbs. sold $3-5 higher and 650-750 lbs. sold $1-5 lower. Benchmark steers averaging 787 lbs. sold between $155-162, averaging $156.58. — **Anna Miller, *WLJ* managing editor**

(Editor's note: Due to the Christmas holiday, WLJ went to press Wednesday morning. This report only includes information released as of Tuesday afternoon.)



SALE CALENDAR

ALL BREED
Jan. 8-23 – National Western Stock Show, Denver, CO
Jan. 10 – Northern Livestock Video, Diamond Ring Cattle Sale, Billings, MT
Jan. 25-29 – Red Bluff, Bull, Gelding & Stock Dog Sale, Red Bluff, CA

ANGUS
Jan. 12 – Leachman Cattle of Colorado, Early Bird Online Sale
Jan. 20 – Thomas Angus Ranch, Bull Sale, Cheyenne, WY
Jan. 22 – Little Goose Angus, Production Sale, Buffalo, WY
Jan. 22– Louisiana Angus Association, Bull Sale, Kinder, LA
Jan. 25 – Huwa Cattle, Bull Sale, Roggen, CO

CHAROLAIS
Jan. 12 – Leachman Cattle of Colorado, Early Bird Online Sale

HEREFORD
Jan. 17 – Van Newkirk Herefords Production sale, Oshkosh, NE
Jan. 26 – Churchill Cattle Co., Bull Sale, Manhattan, MT

RED ANGUS
Jan. 12 – Leachman Cattle of Colorado, Early Bird Online Sale

SIMANGUS
Jan. 31 – APEX Cattle, Production Sale, Dannebrog, NE
Feb. 18 – Hoffman Ranch, Bull Sale, Thedford, NE

SIMMENTAL
Jan. 7 – Gateway Simmental, Production Sale, Lewistown, MT
Jan. 29 – Nichols Farms, Bull Sale, Bridgewater, IA

STABILIZER
Jan. 12 – Leachman Cattle of Colorado, Early Bird Online Sale

COMMERCIAL
Jan. 8 – Western Elite Female & Club Calf Sale, Oklahoma City, OK
Jan. 12-14 – Superior Livestock, Bellringer XXXIV, Oklahoma City, OK
Jan. 10 – Northern Livestock Video, Diamond Ring Cattle Sale, Billings, MT
Jan. 27– Western Video Market, Replacement Female Sale, Red Bluff, CA

DOG
Jan. 28 – Red Bluff Stock Dog Sale, Red Bluff, CA

NATIONAL WESTERN STOCK SHOW
Jan. 8-23 – National Western Stock Show, Denver, CO
Jan. 13 – National Western Stock Show, Colorado Angus Foundation Female Sale, Denver, CO
Jan. 13 – The Red Meat Club, 2022 Friend of the NWSS and Red Meat Industry Award, Denver, CO
Jan. 15 – National Western Stock Show, Western Elite Female & Club Calf Sale, Denver, CO

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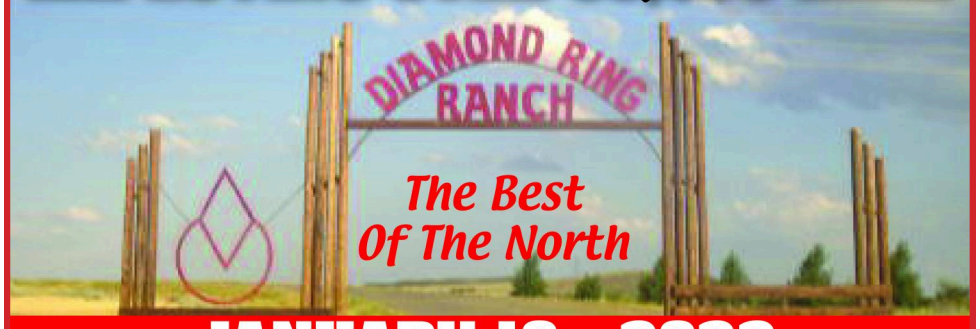

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11:00 a.m. — Farmyard Follies, Ames Activity Pavilion
12:30 p.m. — Sheep Shearing, Ames Activity Pavilion
1:00 p.m. — Andis Cattle Grooming Demonstration, Beef Palace Auction Arena
1:30 p.m. — Pro Rodeo – FFA Day, Denver Coliseum
2:00 p.m. — Stick Horse Rodeo presented by Centura Health, Ames Activity Pavilion
3:00 p.m. — Junior Market Steer Showmanship, Stadium Arena
3:00 p.m. — Stick Horse Rodeo presented by Centura Health, Ames Activity Pavilion
5:15 p.m. — Rodeo 101, Denver Coliseum
7:00 p.m. — An Evening of Dancing Horses, CINCH Arena/Events Center
7:00 p.m. — Junior Market Swine Champion Selection, Stadium Arena
7:00 p.m. — Pro Rodeo – First Responders Day, Denver Coliseum

Thursday, Jan. 20

8:00 a.m. — Stock Dog Trials (Preliminary Open Cattle Competition), Wagner West Plaza
Stadium Arena
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9:00 a.m. — Yak Seminars, Williams Yards
10:00 a.m. — Farmyard Follies, Ames Activity Pavilion
10:30 a.m. — CAM's Classroom: Experience Agriculture, CSU Ag Adventure
11:00 a.m. — Farmyard Follies, Ames Activity Pavilion
12:00 p.m. — Draft Horse, Mule & Donkey Show, CINCH Arena/Events Center
12:00 p.m. — Rocky Mtn. Yaks PO Pen Show, Witwer Show Arena
12:30 p.m. — Sheep Shearing, Ames Activity Pavilion
1:30 p.m. — Pro Rodeo, Denver Coliseum
2:00 p.m. — Bison Handling Q&A in the Yards at NWSS, Stockyards Arena
2:00 p.m. — Stick Horse Grand Prix presented by Centura Health, Ames Activity Pavilion
2:00 p.m. — Texas Longhorn World Show (Non-Haltered), Witwer Show Arena
3:30 p.m. — Stick Horse Grand Prix presented by Centura Health, Ames Activity Pavilion
4:00 p.m. — Poultry Meat Production manship, Murdoch's Jr. Barn
10:00 a.m. — National Gold Trophy Bison Carcass Sale, Wagner Equipment Sale Arena
10:00 a.m. — National Highland Sale, Beef Palace Auction Arena
10:00 a.m. — Stock Dog Trials (Finals Open Cattle Competition), Wagner West Plaza
10:00 a.m. — Texas Longhorn World Show (Haltered), Witwer Show Arena
10:30 a.m. — Farmyard Follies, Ames Activity Pavilion
11:00 a.m. — Pro Rodeo Semi-Finals, Denver Coliseum
11:30 a.m. — National Gold Trophy Bison Live Sale, Wagner Equipment Sale Arena
11:30 a.m. — Open Prospect Heifer Show, Stadium Arena
12:00 p.m. — Rocky Mtn. Yaks PO Halter Show, Witwer Show Arena
12:00 p.m. — Top Hogs of the Wild West, Ames Activity Pavilion
12:30 a.m. — CAM's Classroom: Experience Agriculture, CSU Ag Adventure
1:00 p.m. — Draft Horse, Mule & Donkey Show, CINCH Arena/Events Center
1:00 p.m. — NWSS Stock Dog Sale, Wagner Equipment Sale Arena
1:00 p.m. — Stock Dog Trials, Wagner West Plaza
1:30 p.m. — Top Hogs of the Wild West, Ames Activity Pavilion
12:00 p.m. — Top Hogs of the Wild West, Ames Activity Pavilion
12:30 a.m. — CAM's Classroom: Experience Agriculture, CSU Ag Adventure
1:00 p.m. — Draft Horse, Mule & Donkey Show, CINCH Arena/Events Center
1:30 p.m. — Stick Horse Grand Prix presented by Centura Health, Ames Activity Pavilion
2:00 p.m. — Pro Rodeo Finals, Denver Coliseum
3:00 p.m. — Stick Horse Grand Prix presented by Centura Health, Ames Activity Pavilion



9:00 a.m. — Draft Horse, Mule & Donkey Show, CINCH Arena/Events Center
9:00 a.m. — Junior Market Steer Show, Stadium Arena
10:00 a.m. — Farmyard Follies, Ames Activity Pavilion
10:00 a.m. — Yak Pen Show, Witwer Show Arena
10:30 a.m. — CAM's Classroom: Experience Agriculture, CSU Ag Adventure
10:30 a.m. — Pro Rodeo – Sensory Friendly, Denver Coliseum
11:00 a.m. — Farmyard Follies, Ames Activity Pavilion
12:30 p.m. — Sheep Shearing, Ames Activity Pavilion
2:00 p.m. — Stick Horse Rodeo presented by Centura Health, Ames Activity Pavilion
2:00 p.m. — Yak Fiber Art Exhibits & Demonstrations, Williams Yards
3:30 p.m. — Horsemanship Clinic, CINCH Arena/Events Center
4:00 p.m. — Junior Market Steer Champion Selection, Stadium Arena
5:30 p.m. — Highland Jr. Breeding Heifer Show/Steers & Prospect Show, Stadium Arena
7:00 p.m. — An Evening of Dancing Horses, CINCH Arena/Events Center
7:00 p.m. — Pro Rodeo, Denver Coliseum

Friday, Jan. 21

8:00 a.m. — Draft Horse, Mule & Donkey Show, CINCH Arena/Events Center
8:00 a.m. — Irish Dexter Show, Witwer Show Arena
8:00 a.m. — Miniature Hereford World Show, Stadium Arena
8:00 a.m. — National Highland Show, Pen of 3 Judging, Murdoch's Jr. Barn
4:00 p.m. — Yak Obstacle Course, Witwer Show Arena
5:00 p.m. — Stick Horse Rodeo presented by Centura Health, Ames Activity Pavilion
6:30 p.m. — Auction of Junior Livestock Champions, Beef Palace Auction Arena
7:00 p.m. — Draft Horse, Mule & Donkey Show, CINCH Arena/Events Center
7:30 p.m. — Pro Rodeo – CU Night, Denver Coliseum

Saturday, Jan. 22

8:00 a.m. — Draft Horse, Mule & Donkey Show, CINCH Arena/Events Center
8:00 a.m. — Junior Ewe Lamb Showmanship (All Breeds), Murdoch's Jr. Barn
8:00 a.m. — Miniature Hereford Junior Show, Stadium Arena
8:00 a.m. — NBA Gold Trophy Show Bison Judging Reasons, Williams Yards
8:00 a.m. — Stock Dog Trials (Intermediate Cattle Dogs Competition), Wagner West Plaza
8:30 a.m. — Junior Breeding Sheep Show followed by the Open Show (Meat Breeds), Murdoch's Jr. Barn
9:00 a.m. — Open Prospect Steer Show, Stadium Arena
9:00 a.m. — Poultry Judging, Murdoch's Jr. Barn
9:00 a.m. — Yak Halter Show, Witwer Show Arena
9:15 a.m. — Rodeo 101, Denver Coliseum
9:30 a.m. — Farmyard Follies, Ames Activity Pavilion
10:00 a.m. — Junior Poultry Show-West, Ames Activity Pavilion
3:00 p.m. — Auctioneering Contest, Beef Palace Auction Arena
3:30 p.m. — Pro Rodeo Semi-Finals, Denver Coliseum
3:30 p.m. — Stick Horse Rodeo presented by Centura Health, Ames Activity Pavilion
5:00 p.m. — Stick Horse Rodeo presented by Centura Health, Ames Activity Pavilion
6:00 p.m. — Draft Horse, Mule & Donkey Show, CINCH Arena/Events Center
6:00 p.m. — Youth Equestrian Showcase scholarship presentation, CINCH Arena/Events Center
6:30 p.m. — Sheep Lead Contest, Murdoch's Jr. Barn
8:00 p.m. — Pro Rodeo Semi-Finals, Denver Coliseum

Sunday, Jan. 23

8:00 a.m. — Junior Breeding Sheep Show followed by the Open Show (Wool Breeds, Natural Color Breeds), Murdoch's Jr. Barn
8:00 a.m. — Stock Dog Trials (Intermediate dogs Competition), Wagner West Plaza
9:00 a.m. — Draft Horse, Mule & Donkey Show, CINCH Arena/Events Center
9:00 a.m. — Stock Dog Trials (Nursery Dogs Competition), Wagner West Plaza
9:00 a.m. — Stock Dog Trials (Open Sheep Competition), Stadium Arena
9:30 a.m. — Farmyard Follies, Ames Activity Pavilion
10:00 a.m. — Cowboy Church, Denver Coliseum
10:30 a.m. — Farmyard Follies, Ames Activity Pavilion

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October beef export value shatters annual record

October was another strong month for U.S. red meat exports as beef export value continued to soar, according to data released by USDA and compiled by the U.S. Meat Export Federation (USMEF).

Beef exports reached 115,709 metric tons (mt) in October, up 7.5 percent from a year ago, while export value climbed 48 percent to $956.9 million—the second-highest total on record, behind August 2021. Through the first 10 months of the year, beef exports totaled 1.19 million mt, up 17 percent from a year ago. Export value increased 38 percent to $8.53 billion, surpassing the 2018 record ($8.33 billion) with two months to spare.

"USMEF has always prioritized market diversification, and this is more critical than ever now that the red meat industry faces unprecedented transportation challenges and rising input costs," said President and CEO Dan Halstrom. "Exports will likely reach about $18 billion in 2021, which is a remarkable achievement. While global demand is tremendous and we are cautiously optimistic about further growth in 2022, supply chain pressures are not easy to overcome and are a growing concern for exporters and their international customers.

U.S. beef exports will top $2 billion this year in each of the three key Asian markets: South Korea, Japan and China/Hong Kong. South Korea and Japan are already knocking on the door, with exports through October exceeding $1.9 billion.

October beef exports to South Korea increased 13 percent from a year ago to 21,934 mt, while value soared 57 percent to $212.4 million. Japan remains the leading volume destination for U.S. beef, with October exports up slightly from a year ago to 23,435 mt, while value climbed 35 percent to $198.7 million. Beef exports to China continue to capitalize on the market access gains achieved in the Phase One Economic and Trade Agreement, with October exports up nearly 150 percent from a year ago to 16,815 mt and more than tripling in value to $148.1 million.

Other highlights

Although October exports to Mexico were below last year's volume at 15,841 mt, value still increased 29 percent to $93.1 million. Through October, shipments to Mexico surpassed last year's low totals by 14 percent in volume (163,560 mt) and 39 percent in value ($861.1 million). Mexico is the largest volume destination for U.S. beef variety meat, with exports increasing 11 percent to 78,647 mt and posting strong value growth at $211.2 million (up 20 percent).

Beef exports to Taiwan have edged lower in 2021 at 51,948 mt (down 4 percent) but are still on a record value pace at $532 million (up 16 percent). Chilled exports were up 22 percent to 26,921 mt, valued at $351 million (up 37 percent). The U.S. continues to dominate Taiwan's imports of higher-value chilled beef, capturing more than 80 percent market share.

Led by very strong growth in Guatemala, Honduras, Costa Rica and Panama, beef exports to Central America have already surpassed previous annual records, climbing 60 percent from a year ago to 17,713 mt and surging 90 percent in value ($107.9 million). Exports to top market Guatemala were 6,551 mt through October, up 42 percent from a year ago, valued at $49 million (up 80 percent) and already surpassing the 2019 record. October exports of beef muscle cuts were record large to Costa Rica and Honduras and the third highest on record to Guatemala.

A strong rebound in Chile and excellent growth in Colombia and Peru drove beef exports to South America 29 percent above last year's pace at 25,885 mt, while value climbed 79 percent to $141.2 million. Colombia's exports have nearly surpassed the 2019 annual record, and October exports were record large at 1,359 mt.

Beef exports to the Dominican Republic increased 83 percent from a year ago to 6,375 mt, with value more than doubling to $59.6 million (up 110 percent). October exports reached a record 1,046 mt.

Beef export value per head of fed slaughter equated to $439.46 in October, up 55 percent from a year ago. The January-October average was $394.14, up 34 percent. October exports accounted for 14.3 percent of total beef production and 12.4 percent for muscle cuts only, up from 12.7 percent and 10.8 percent, respectively, in October 2020. For January through October, these ratios were 15 percent and 12.8 percent, each up nearly two full percentage points from a year ago.

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October lamb exports

Fueled by growth in leading market Mexico, as well as in the Caribbean and Singapore, October exports of U.S. lamb totaled 1,075 mt (up 56 percent from a year ago) and reached $1.95 million in value—also up 56 percent and the highest since January 2020. Through October, lamb exports increased 8 percent to 11,020 mt, valued at $15.9 million (up 15 percent). Muscle cut exports increased 11 percent to 1,124 mt, valued at $6.9 million (up 21 percent). — **USMEF**

NMCGA asks for USFWS to define 'subspecies'

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suits and agency enforcement actions under the ESA.

"It is therefore crucially important that federal decision-makers are guided by sound data-driven science and objective, publicly disclosed standards," the suit asserted. "Yet, in many instances the Service is guided by no such standards when making key decisions that impact landowners."

NMCGA said that in 2015, the association, along with other groups, petitioned USFWS to remove the southwestern willow flycatcher from the federal list of threatened and endangered species. The petition asserted that the flycatcher is not a distinct subspecies and is ineligible for ESA listing. USFWS denied the petition, which NMCGA said was illegal, as there is no definition of "subspecies."

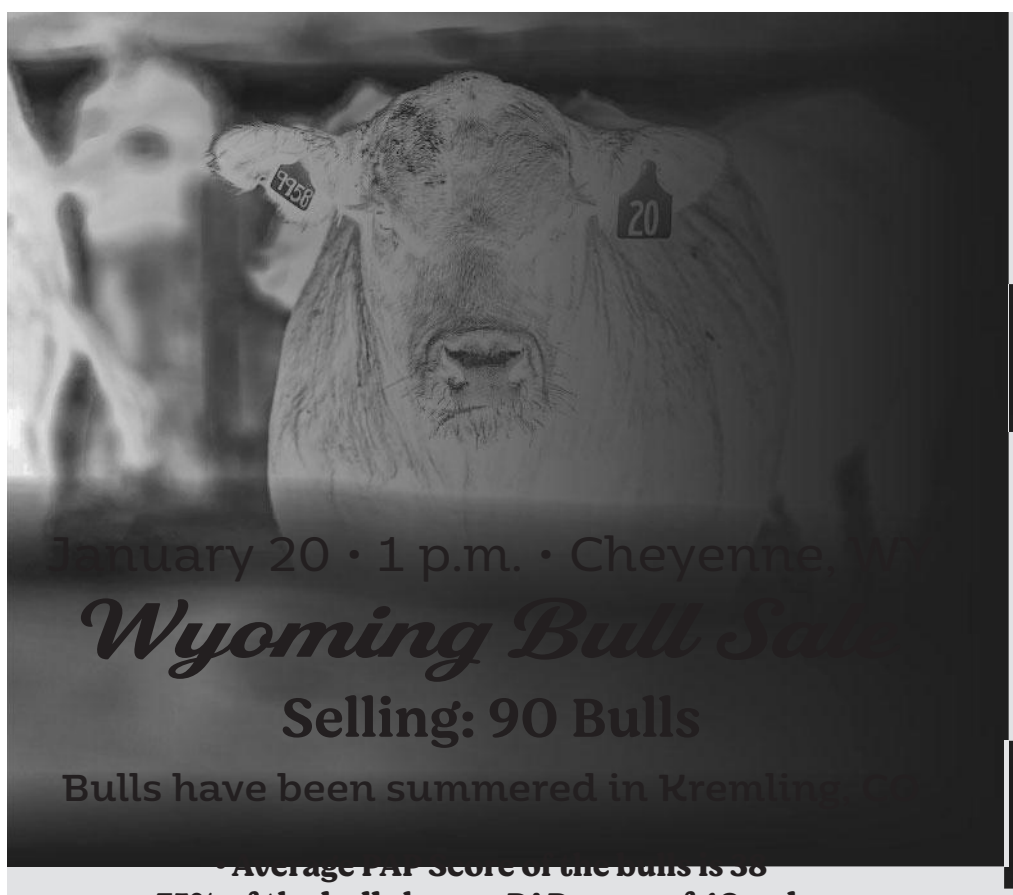
Background

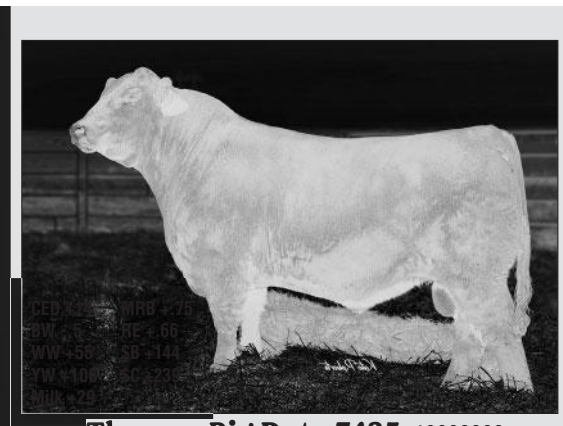
The flycatcher is a small migrant bird that can be found in the Southwest during its breeding season (May to September). This includes parts of California, Nevada, Utah, Colorado, Arizona, New Mexico and Texas.

USFWS considers the southwestern willow flycatcher to be a subspecies of the willow flycatcher, which the lawsuit says is a common species and is not threatened or endangered. The endangered designation was given based on "subtle differences in color and morphology."

The southwestern willow flycatcher was listed as an endangered species in 1995. In 2013, USFWS designated 1,227 stream miles and 208,973 acres of revised critical habitat for the flycatcher.

In its lawsuit, the NMCGA calls for an injunction, for the USFWS to determine a regulatory definition for "subspecies" and a review of whether the southwestern willow flycatcher fits that definition. — **Anna Miller, *WLJ* managing editor**

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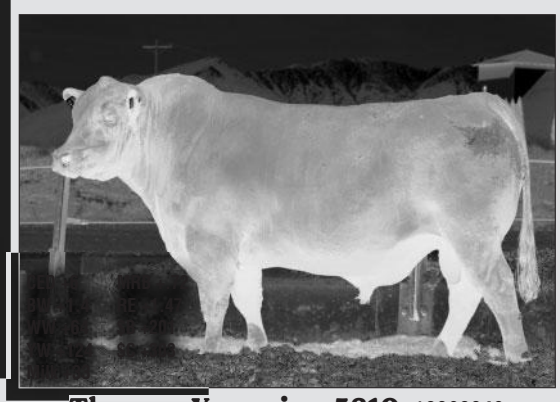
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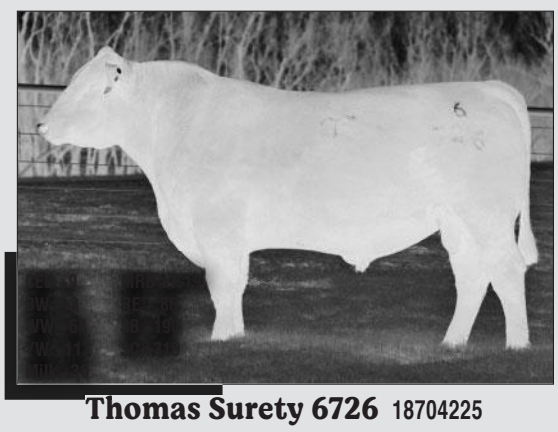
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