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California Rancher Sustainability Assessment

Free Webinar: Introducing the California Rancher Sustainability Assessment

**Thursday, February 29, 2024
from 6:00 - 7:00 PM**

The CRSA is a free online resource created by ranchers and UC Cooperative Extension collaborators. The concept is that through self-assessment and convenient links to valuable informational resources, the CRSA can confidentially help ranchers evaluate and improve their ranch practices over time. CRSA modules cover forage management, soils, drought planning, wildlife, and ranch succession.

Want to know more? Please join us!

[Click here to register and receive the Zoom link for the webinar!](#)



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Chicken community ‘coop-eration’ needed to test UC poultry health app

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If you raise backyard chickens or breed game fowl, UC Cooperative Extension has an app for you! The new mobile app offers information for raising healthy chickens.

What’s in the app?

The UC Community Chicken app contains six educational modules with short videos that cover health assessment, nutrition, vaccination, biosecurity, bird behavior and husbandry. It also features chat and feedback buttons so participants can communicate with the UC experts and other poultry owners.

Study timeline

For two weeks, participants will explore the app’s features and complete surveys. Three months later, the researchers will follow up with a survey to assess the chicken owners’ progress. Participants who complete the entire study will receive a \$25 Amazon gift card via email.

To register to participate in the study, go to <https://bit.ly/UCchickenapp>. Once the study is ready, participants will be notified via email. The UC Community Chicken app will be available to the public after the study is complete. For more information about the study, contact Maurice Pitesky at drcluck@ucdavis.edu.

UC Cooperative Extension and UC Davis Veterinary Medicine present: **3rd Annual Cattle Health Online Webinar Series**

Webinars will be held on **Tuesday evenings in February from 5:30-7:00 pm**. The sessions cover topics important to cattle health and management for producers of all sizes. Participants will have the opportunity to ask clarification questions on topics presented or with personal ranch questions or scenarios.

The events are FREE but registration is required. [To REGISTER click here.](#)

2024 Cattle Health Webinar Series Schedule

February 6: Foothill Abortion Management Options and Vaccine

February 13, 2024: Beef Cattle Mineral Health

February 20, 2024: Neonatal Beef Calf Health

February 27, 2024: Cattle AI Tips for Herd Improvement

For questions or assistance please contact Tracy Schohr, UC Cooperative Extension Livestock and Natural Resources Advisor for Plumas, Sierra and Butte Counties, at tkchohr@ucanr.edu or 916-716-2643 (text or call).

Video recordings and additional resources from previous webinars can be found at <https://ucanr.edu/sites/Rangelands/CattleHealth/>.

NAHMS Sheep 2024 Study

Informational Flyer

What is the NAHMS Sheep 2024 Study?

The U.S. Department of Agriculture's National Animal Health Monitoring System (NAHMS) conducts a national sheep study approximately every 10 years. The upcoming Sheep 2024 study will support industry groups and research efforts with new and valuable information on sheep health and management. The study consists of two phases and includes biological sampling and two questionnaires.

Who is Eligible to Participate in the Study?

A random selection of almost 5,000 sheep operations with at least 1 ewe located in the study States (see dark shaded States in the map) will be asked to participate. While participation is voluntary, it is important to obtain high quality data. National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) will contact selected participants in January and February 2024. Participants will be asked to provide their contact information to NAHMS in order to complete the second phase of the study, which begins in April 2024 and continues through July 2024.



Why Should I Participate in the Study?

Information from the study will help develop new treatments, controls, and prevention mechanisms for sheep diseases. The results will also guide future research and education. Participants will not only represent themselves but also the producers who were not selected for the study.

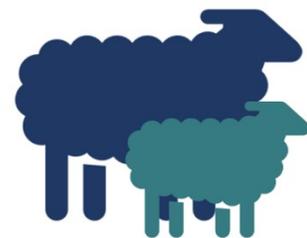


Eligible operations will receive **FREE** testing for enteric microbes, gastrointestinal parasites, and lameness pathogens.

What are the Next Steps?

If you don't currently receive NASS censuses or surveys, sign up at www.agcounts.usda.gov/static/get-counted.html

If NASS contacts you in January 2024, please agree to complete the NAHMS Sheep 2024 study. Until then, you can help spread the word to other producers about the importance of the 2024 study.



To access reports from previous NAHMS studies or information on upcoming studies, visit www.aphis.usda.gov/nahms or scan the QR code.

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