

USDA Cattle & Carcass Training Center Event Agenda



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**Location: West Texas A&M University (WTAMU)
Caviness Meat Science and Innovation Center**

Tuesday, July 30, 2024:

- **8:00-8:15:** Introduction
 - Levi Geyer, USDA Market News
- **8:15-9:15:** Review of Feeder Cattle Outcomes from December CCTC
 - Dr. Ty Lawrence, Director, WTAMU Beef Carcass Research Center
- **9:15-10:00:** CME Live Cattle Contract and Rulebook Review
 - Anne Krema and Makenzie Billings, CME Group
 - David Garica, USDA Market News
- **10:00-10:30:** Break
- **10:30-12:00:** Fed Cattle Evaluation and Video Review of 20 fed cattle
 - Dr. Ty Lawrence, Director, WTAMU Beef Carcass Research Center
(these will be the cattle placed on feed from the December CCTC event and harvested a week prior)
 - Lana Hutto and Tess Liles, USDA Market News
- **12:00-1:00:** Lunch

- **1:00-4:00:** View/Evaluate of 20 Beef Carcasses
(these will be the cattle placed on feed from the December CCTC event and harvested a week prior)
 - Dr. Loni Lucher, Assistant Professor of Animal Science, WTAMU Beef Carcass Research Center
- **4:00-4:30:** Wrap Up and Q&A

Wednesday, July 31, 2024:

- **8:00-8:15:** Recap of Previous Day
- **8:15-9:45:** Beef Carcass Valuation for Differing Quality and Yield Grades
 - Dr. Trent Schwartz, WTAMU Beef Carcass Research Center
- **9:45-10:00:** Break
- **10:00-11:00:** USDA LPGMN Fed Cattle and Beef Reporting Overview
 - USDA Market News
- **11:00-12:00:** USDA Grading Dashboard Overview
 - USDA Staff
- **12:00-12:30** Wrap Up and Q&A