## Tennessee-Alabama Small Ruminant Conference Agenda

## Middle Tennessee Research and Education Center Spring Hill, Tennessee October 27-29, 2016

## **Thursday October 27**

8:30 a.m. Registration

9:20 a.m. Welcome

9:30 a.m. Marketing Live Animals for Custom-Exempt Harvesting and Processing and Retail

and Wholesale Meat Sales Regulations

Ms. Megan Leffew

Extension Specialist, Value-Added Marketing

Center for Profitable Agriculture

11:00 a.m. Genetics and Replacement Stock Selection

Dr. An Peischel

Assistant Professor, Small Ruminant Extension Specialist

Tennessee State University

12:00 a.m. Lunch

1:15 p.m. Nutrition

Mr. Royce Towns Ruminant Nutritionist

Tennessee Farmers Cooperative

2:30 p.m. Marketing and Production Contracts

Dr. An Peischel

Assistant Professor, Small Ruminant Extension Specialist

Tennessee State University

3:30 p.m. Break

4:00 p.m. Treatment and Preventative Practices for Health Issues

Dr. Lew Strickland

Assistant Professor, Extension Veterinarian

University of Tennessee

5:00 p.m. Daily Wrap-Up and Evaluation

Friday October 28

8:30 a.m. Registration and Visit Trade Show

9:20 a.m. Welcome

9:30 a.m. Production Economics

Mr. J.J. Jones

Area Agricultural Economist Oklahoma State University

10:30 a.m. Forage and Pasture Management

Dr. Ken Turner

Research Animal Scientist

USDA, Agricultural Research Service

11:30 a.m. Lunch and Visit Trade Show

12:45 p.m. Setting up Marketing Cooperatives

Ms. Paula Burke Extension Agent University of Georgia

1:45 p.m. Market Outlook

Mr. J.J. Jones

Area Agricultural Economist Oklahoma State University

2:30 p.m. Break and Visit Tradeshow

3:00 p.m. Facilities, Equipment, and Fencing

Mr. Greg Brann

Grazing Soil Health Specialist

**USDA-NRCS** 

4:00 p.m. Virtual Tours and Panel Discussion

5:00 p.m. Daily Wrap-Up and Evaluation

**Saturday October 29** 

8:30 a.m. Registration and Visit Trade Show

9:20 a.m. Welcome

9:30 a.m. Developing a Biosecurity Plan

Dr. Charlotte Rathert

Associate Professor and State Extension Specialist, Small Ruminants

Lincoln University

10:30 a.m. Carcass and Meat Quality Finished on Various Forages

Dr. Ken Turner

Research Animal Scientist

USDA, Agricultural Research Service

11:30 a.m. Lunch and Visit Trade Show

1:00 p.m. Live Animal Grading Demonstration

Mr. Rob Thomas Livestock Grader

Tennessee Department of Agriculture

2:30 p.m. Daily Wrap-Up and Evaluation