

# Colorado Nutrition Roundtable

Thursday – September 25, 2008

## “New Realities of Low Grain Animal Production Systems: Beef Production and Meat Quality Impacts”

*The Roundtable will be held at the Colorado State University Taylor Conference Center at ARDEC (Agriculture, Research, Development, and Education Center) – Fort Collins, CO – County Road 56, East of I-25*

During the Roundtable, we will hear and discuss the recommendations of the Pew Commission on Industrial Farm Animal Production. We will also discuss the impacts of the changes in grain prices and policy on beef production and meat quality. As more and more grain is used for food and fuels, where does that leave the livestock sector? We believe we have a great line-up of national and internationally known speakers for this Colorado Nutrition Roundtable. Please join us!

9:45 *ARPAS Chapter Business Meeting. Held at Taylor Conference Center – Conference Room.  
Coordinated by Terry Engle, President of Colorado/Nebraska/Wyoming ARPAS Chapter.*

**Session 1 Moderator: Dr. Terry Engle, Colorado State University, ARPAS Section President**

11:00 *Welcome and Introductions*

11:05 **What does the Pew Charitable Trusts report on Industrial Farm Animal Production in America mean to Colorado Livestock Producers?** Speaker: Dr. Robert P. Martin, Executive Director of the Pew Commission on Industrial Farm Animal Production

**12:00 Catered Lunch for all attendees – This is also a time for discussion of the challenges put forth by Dr. Martin**

12:45 **“Were Does This Leave the Beef Industry?”**  
Speaker: Dr. Jim Robb, Livestock Marketing Information Service, Denver, Colorado

**Session 2 Moderator: Dr. Jack Whittier, Beef Extension Specialist, Colorado State University**

1:45 **“Net Efficiencies of Various Backgrounding/Pasturing Production Systems and Predictions of What Production Systems Will Look Like in 5 Or 10 Years if Grain Prices Continue to Increase”**  
Speaker: Dr. Terry Klopfenstein, Professor, University of Nebraska, Ruminant Nutrition Professor

2:45 **“Impact of Low Grain Finishing Diets on Meat Quality (Including Impact of Days on Feed on Carcass Characteristics, and Review and Comparisons of Feeding Programs/Beef Programs in Other Countries”**  
Speaker: Dr. Carol Lorenzen, University of Missouri, Meat Science Associate Professor

3:45 **Summary and Questions for All Speakers**  
Moderator: Dr. Bret Hess – University of Wyoming

4:00 Adjourn

**Cost is \$40/person, \$50 at the door – Please pre-register by Monday, September 15, 2008**  
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\*\*Note: This meeting has been approved for 4 CEU's for ARPAS