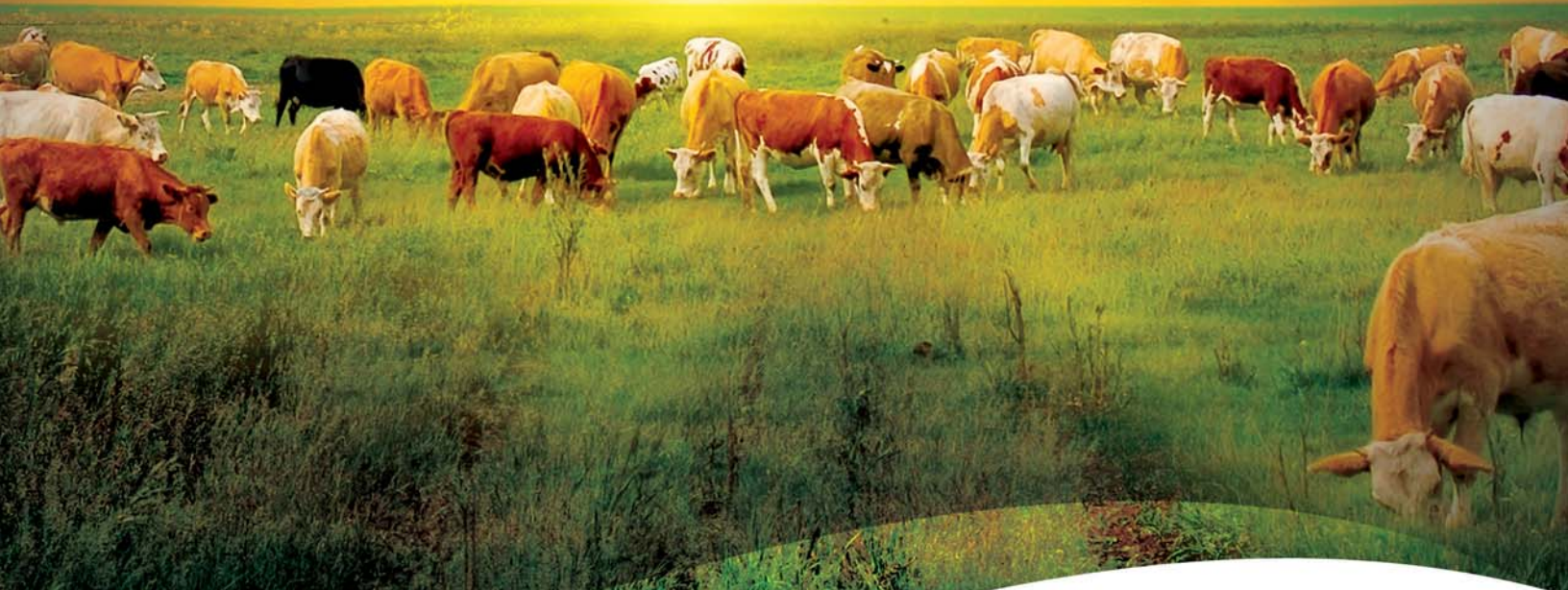




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Attend the CCA Town Hall Meeting on Feb. 9

Manitoba beef producers will have an opportunity to get updates and voice their views on the industry at the Canadian Cattlemen's Association (CCA) Town Hall Meeting on Thursday, Feb. 9, 2012.



Producers are encouraged to attend the town hall which will be held at the Pipestone Community Hall in Pipestone, MB. This event is the second in a series of town hall meetings that the CCA is proud to present across Canada.

The town hall meeting provides the opportunity to meet members of the CCA executive and managers and hear the latest reports on the many activities the CCA is involved in on behalf of Canada's 83,000 cattle producers. The meeting also provides the opportunity for producers to bring forward local issues of national concern. This will be an excellent opportunity to ask questions and network with others in the beef industry.

The session includes updates on current foreign trade issues, the global outlook on beef production and the latest market analysis from Canfax. The latest developments around traceability, TB issues, and updates on the Beef InfoXchange System (BIXS) and Beef Cattle Research Council will also be on the agenda.



The meeting will run from 2:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. Through sponsorship from Farm Credit Canada, registrants are invited to stay for a complimentary meal following the presentations. ***There is no fee to attend the town hall meeting but space is limited and all attendees must register prior to the event.***

Please RSVP online at www.cattle.ca/townhall or call 403-275-8558. For more agenda information, please email Manitoba Beef Producers at info@mbbeef.ca or call 1-800-772-0458.

Trust Fund Donations

Should friends so desire, memorial donations may be made in memory of Major Jay Fox to a trust fund for his children Devon, Charlee, Porter and Major. Donations may be made at any branch of TD Canada Trust.

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Upcoming Events

Benchland Forage Consortium in Plumas Feb. 2

-Call 204-385-6633 for info.

Beef and Forage Production Day in Austin Feb. 3

-Call 204-239-3352 for info.

Deadline for Manitoba Forage Shortfall Assistance Program: March 31

The Manitoba Forage Shortfall Assistance Program can assist Manitoba livestock producers who are experiencing extraordinary costs due to forage shortage caused by flooding or excess moisture conditions in 2011.

The program provides assistance to producers with shortfalls in the forage production required to maintain their livestock over the 2011/12 pasture and winter periods.

All Manitoba livestock producers that owned or leased eligible animals and incurred extraordinary forage shortages caused by excess moisture conditions or overland flooding in spring 2011 may be eligible for financial assistance.

The deadline to apply is March 31, 2012. [Click here](#) for more information.

Producers must submit a completed application form to a MAFRI GO office. Applications may be delivered in person, faxed or mailed, provided in the case of mail that the post mark indicates a date on or before the application deadline of March 31, 2012. Application forms can be downloaded from the MAFRI website or picked up at any MAFRI GO Office.

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New funding is available for Verified Beef Producers.

Up to \$5000 is available for building quarantine pens or wash stations.

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