

## Small Ruminants

### Sample Evaluation

*Note to Agents – This is a sample evaluation that you can adapt /edit to meet your county and programs. It is also available on Qualtric to edit, distribute to clients, analysis, and share with specialists electronically. The items on the evaluation align with KERS program indicators and the sample success story that is available.*

The \_\_\_\_\_ County Extension Service takes pride in providing programs and resources to benefit the livestock and agriculture operations including small ruminants and exotic animals. In order to serve you, our staff would appreciate you taking a few minutes to complete this survey.

What specie(s) of animal do you raise?

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|--------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Goats | <input type="checkbox"/> Yak         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sheep | <input type="checkbox"/> Alpaca      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Llama | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ |

How did you access Extension information on Small Ruminants (Sheep/Goats) and or Exotic Animals during the past 12 months? *Select all that apply.*

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|--|---------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Program or conference             | <input type="checkbox"/> Website      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Newsletter                        | <input type="checkbox"/> Social media |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Farm visit                        | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Phone call, email or office visit |                                       |

Which Extension diagnostic services did you utilize related to Small Ruminants production during the past 12 months? *Select all that apply.*

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|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Soil test                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Plant disease  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hay test                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Animal disease (Animal Disease Diagnostic Lab, UK or Murray) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Plant/Weed identification     |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pest or insect identification |   |

Did the diagnostic information influence the decisions that you made in treating soil, pests, weeds, or invasive species?

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|------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No |
|------------------------------|-----------------------------|

Did the diagnostic information influence the decisions that you related to animal health or nutrition?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No |
|------------------------------|-----------------------------|

As a result of using Extension resources related to small ruminant production, have you adopted or improved any of the following practices during the past 12 months?

<b><i>Small Ruminants (Sheep/Goats)</i></b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
Made decisions related to <b>business management</b>		
Improve <b>genetics and/or reproduction</b>		
Improved quality or volume of <b>dairy production</b>		
Maintained or improved <b>animal health</b> , including parasites		
Adopted practices to improve or maintain <b>animal nutrition</b>		
Improved <b>facilities and/or handling</b> for flock/herd, including protection from predators		
Demonstrated proper use and maintenance of <b>shearing equipment</b>		
Developed a <b>marketing plan for meat animals</b>		
Developed a <b>marketing plan for wool or fiber</b>		
Other		
Made changes to your parasite treatment program		

Comment:

As a result of using Extension resources related to forage, have you applied any of the following practices during the past 12 months?

<b>Forage</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
Made decisions based on Extension research including interseeding clover/legume, using cover crops and/or alternate forage species		
Used Extension recommendations to improve quality of haylage/silage storage		
Developed or implemented a grazing plan		
Used temporary fencing		
Conducted on-farm demonstrations or applied research trials		
Other		
Planted or started using any alternative forage for grazing		

Comment:

In the past 12 months, which **water and soil quality and/or conservation practices** did you use?

<b>Water Quality and Soil Conservation</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
Implemented one or more best practices for <b>soil quality/ soil health</b>		
Implemented one or more best practices for <b>soil/water conservation</b>		
Implemented one or more best practices to <b>increase soil organic matter</b>		
Implemented one or more best practices to <b>improve soil structure for water infiltration and retention</b>		
Implemented one or more best practices to <b>increase ground cover for soil protection</b>		
Implemented one or more best practices to <b>improve water quality</b>		
Implemented one or more best practices to <b>protect stream banks or stream buffer zones</b>		
Developed or updated an <b>Ag Water Quality Plan</b>		
Developed or implemented <b>nutrient management plan</b>		
Adjusted rate, timing, placement and/or sources to <b>increase nutrient use efficiency</b>		

Adopted changes to improve the water quality of forested streams		
Other		

Comment:

In the past 12 months, did you adopt or improve the **management** practices?

<b><i>Farm Management and Economics</i></b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
Improved or maintained record keeping practices		
Incorporated technology to effectively manage farm operations		
Applied marketing techniques for meat animals		
Adopted new technologies in agriculture production		
Adapted practices or equipment for safety		
Improved equipment or facilities		
Increased profits, reduced expenses and/or reduced risk		
Other		

Comment:

How have you been a leader for agriculture and the environment during the past 12 months?

<b><i>Ag Extension Leadership</i></b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
Shared information about agriculture or the environment issues locally		
Advocated for agriculture and/or environmental issues locally		
Shared information about agriculture and/or environment issues with elected officials		
Advised, assisted or mentored a new or beginning agriculture producer		
Served as a member/leader of advisory councils, community development committee and/or leadership role with an agriculture organization		
Other		

Comment:

Share your thoughts and suggestions to improve future programs and services.