



klahoma and Texas are famous for their cattle heritage. A large part of this heritage was the cattle drives. Cattle drives in the late 1800's moved millions of head of cattle from central and south Texas, through western Oklahoma, to the railheads in Kansas and in some cases as far north as Montana. Two of the more famous cattle trails were the Chisholm Trail and the Great Western Trail. The Chisholm Trail started in central Texas and crossed the Red River northwest of Nocona, Texas. It moved up through central Oklahoma near the towns of Waurika, Duncan, and Oklahoma City. The Great Western Trail began near Bandera, Texas and moved cattle through central Texas passing east of Abilene, Texas. The trail crossed into Oklahoma at the historic Doan's Crossing near Vernon, Texas and proceeded through Western Oklahoma to its conclusion near Dodge City, Kansas.

The land area between these two cattle trails still record cattle movements. Today, it is either in the mode of cow-calf operations or stocker cattle movements. This area is now the home of the Cattle Trails Cow-Calf Conference.

The Cattle Trails Cattle Conferences are a joint effort between Oklahoma Cooperative Extension Service and Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service. The vision of the planning committee is to create annual conferences that will include up-to-date information on topics that will influence cattle profits. In effect, the conference will assist cattle owners and operators in driving their operations to profits.

The expected audience is cattle owners and operators from the Southern Oklahoma and North Texas area. The conference alternates between Oklahoma and Texas each year. This winter, the Cow-Calf Conference will be held at the MPEC (Multi-Purpose Event Center) in Wichita Falls, Texas on December 3, 2015. The registration fee is \$25 per participant. This will include a noon meal, break refreshments and materials of the topics discussed.

Pre-registration is encouraged for meal count.

AGENDA

| 8:00 - 8:30 | Registration | |
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| 8:30 - 8:45 | Welcome | Mr. David Graf Wichita County Agricultural Extension Agent |
| | | Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service Wichita Falls, Texas |
| 8:45 - 9:30 | Key Performance Indicator | Mr. Stan Bevers |
| | Targets for Cow-calf Operations | Professor and Extension Economist |
| | | Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service |
| | | Vernon, Texas |
| 9:30 - 10:30 | Safety, Cattle Flow, and Cost: | Dr. Ron Gill |
| | Design Concepts for Corrals and | Associate Department Head, Animal Science |
| | Processing Areas | Professor and Extension Livestock Specialist |
| | | Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service |
| 10:30 - 10:45 | Break | College Station, Texas |
| 10:45 - 11:30 | Beef Cattle Market Outlook and | Dr. Derrell Peel |
| | Update | Professor and Extension Livestock Economist |
| | 72 | Oklahoma Cooperative Extension Service |
| | | Stillwater, Oklahoma |
| 11:30 - 12:15 | Supplemental Programs for the | Dr. Dave Lalman |
| | Cow Herd | Associate Professor and Extension Beef Cattle Specialist |
| | | Oklahoma Cooperative Extension |
| 12:15 - 1:15 | Lunch | Stillwater, Oklahoma |
| 1:15 - 2:05 | Forage Systems for the Southern | Dr. Twain Butler |
| | Great Plains | Associate Professor and Forage Research Agronomist |
| | | Samuel Roberts Noble Foundation |
| | | Ardmore, Oklahoma |
| 2:05 - 3:00 | What Every Landowner Should | Tiffany Dowell-Lashmet |
| | Know About Grazing Leases | Asst. Professor and Extension Agricultural Law Specialis |
| | | Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service |
| | | Amarillo, Texas |
| 3:00 - 3:15 | Evaluation & Wrap-up | |

PLANNING COMMITTEE

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For the 2015 Cattle Trails Cow-Calf Conference!

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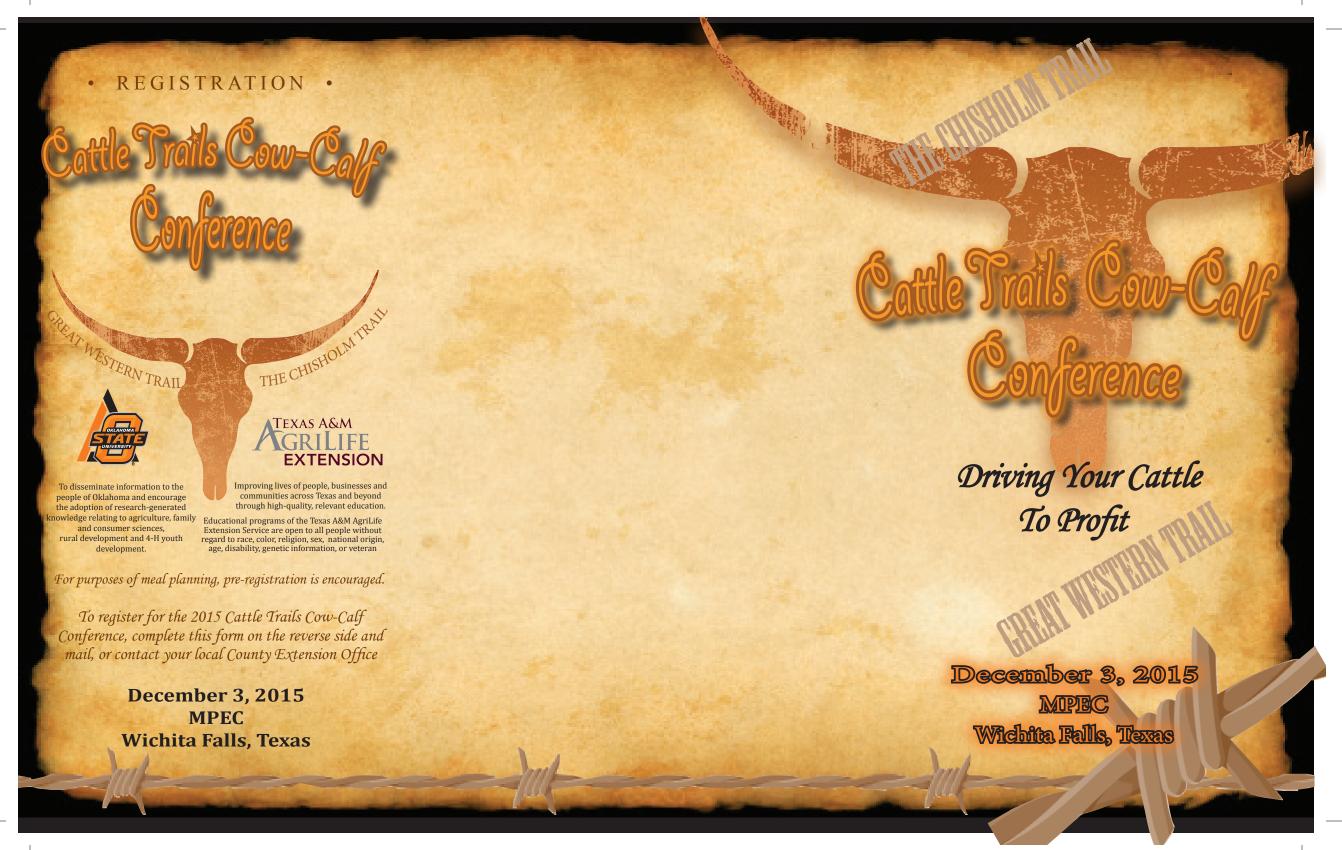
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