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California Wool Growers Association Hosting Four Sheep Producer Workshops in January 2018

Workshops to focus on options available for improving lamb marketing, quality, and producer profitability.

Sacramento, CA. – California Wool Growers Association (CWGA) is hosting four interactive workshops focusing on improving lamb marketing and quality as well as producer profitability by applying innovative management practices and technologies. Topics to be discussed include:

- Genetic Selection to Improve Lamb Quality and Ewe Productivity
- Increasing Lamb Production Efficiency with Accelerated Lambing
- Effective Nutrition Management Practices – Proper Forage Analysis & Mineral Supplementation
- Management Tools for Herd Optimization and Production Efficiency
- Best Management Practices for Sheep Operations
- Lamb Feeding and Management Practices

Interactive demonstrations will focus on utilizing ultrasound technology to identify unproductive ewes, utilizing “teaser” rams, ewe culling practices, electronic animal identification, record-keeping, body condition scoring, pasture lambing, FAMACHA scoring, predator management, and much more.

Workshop Dates & Locations:

- Monday, January 15 ~ Etchamendy Sheep Company, Bakersfield (24394 Highway 46, Wasco, 93280)
- Tuesday, January 16 ~ Emigh Livestock, Rio Vista (2838 Goose Haven Road, Suisun City, 94585)
- Wednesday, January 17 ~ Chico State University Sheep Unit, Chico (311 Nicholas C Shouten Lane, Chico, 95528)
- Thursday, January 18 ~ UC Hopland Research & Extension Center, Hopland (4070 University Road, Hopland, 95449)
- Saturday, January 20 ~ Small Flock Focus, Flying Mule Farm, Auburn (11515 Joeger Road, Auburn, 95602) * Abbreviated version focusing on small flocks, contact dmacon@ucanr.edu for details.

Registration Information:

- Workshop Cost ~ \$25.00 for CWGA members, \$35.00 non-members
- **Registration Deadline January 8th.**
- To register contact the CWGA office at info@woolgrowers.org or (916) 444-8122.

These workshops are partially funded by the American Sheep Industry Let's Grow Program.

Since 1860, the California Wool Growers Association (CWGA) has been the voice of the California sheep industry, delivering lasting value to support and grow all segments of the California sheep industry. For information or questions about CWGA, please contact the CWGA office at (916) 444-8122 or erica@woolgrowers.org.