

**Nebraska Ranch Practicum
Agenda
Wednesday, January 10, 2024
West Central Research and Extension Center, North Platte**

- 8:00 a.m. (CT) Coffee and Rolls
- 8:30 a.m. Production Measures for Cow-Herd Performance – Brian Vander Ley
- 9:30 a.m. Factors Influencing Carcass Quality and Yield – Rick Funston
- 10:00 a.m. Break
- 10:15 a.m. Managing Health Risks in the Cow Herd – Brian Vander Ley
- 11:15 a.m. Considerations for a Yearling System - Jim MacDonald (zoom)
- 12:15 p.m. Lunch
- 1:00 p.m. Field Assessment
Examine Calves, Yearlings, and Heifers (Funston)
- 2:15 p.m. Practicum Road Map - Tying it all Together (All)
- 2:45 p.m. Open Dialogue and Questions (All)
- 3:30 p.m. Break
- 3:45 p.m. Program Assessment
(1) Knowledge Level Post-Test (Walz)
(2) Practicum Evaluation (Walz)
- 4:45 p.m. Closing Ceremonies (you don't want to miss this)
- 5:00 p.m. Adjourn