

Indiana Beef Evaluation Program

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Summer Test 2024 officially kicked off on May 14th with five senior division bulls, 57 junior bulls and four get of sire groups between the two divisions.

Individual weights and performance during the receiving period are included in the attached reports. With acclimating bulls to their new environment, including the diet, average daily gain was anticipated to be in the mid 2's and that is where the group settled in at (2.1 lbs/day Senior Division and 2.7 lbs/day Junior Division). Pen's 2 and 3 were not quite to the target intake (2.25 to 2.5% of bodyweight on a dry matter basis) at the on-test weight but were one increase away from it. If your bull did not gain well during the receiving period, do not be concerned. No bulls were treated during the receiving period and the lower gaining bulls that were evaluated by veterinarians at the on-test weight did not require treatment. Now, two bulls have been treated for respiratory symptoms in combination with a fever this week (May 19 – May 24) along with two bulls receiving treatment for digital dermatitis. Nonetheless a close eye will be kept on the group to ensure these are isolated cases.

If registration and weaning data has not been submitted to IBEP, please send this information as soon as possible. Although this is only the start of the test, remember, parent verification to both sire and dam in addition to genomic enhanced EPDs are required for bulls to remain Sale eligible upon meeting all other requirements.

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We are moving the 28-day weight up by one day from June 11 to June 10. Reason being is that some IBEP directors are attending the Beef Improvement Federation meetings that begin on June 10.

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