

# PERFORMANCE REPORT

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*This column features the performance leaders in central bull tests hosted across the country.*

## Edisto Forage Bull Test 140-day report (May 10)

The Edisto Forage Bull Test is unique in that it is one of the only university-sponsored tests based on grazing only for the entire 168-day evaluation, with no grain or silage added. The test is conducted at the Edisto Research and Education Center near Blackville, S.C.

**HIGH-ADG ANGUS** Lot 22059; owner: Rose Myrtle Farm, Bishopville, S.C.; sire: BCF 2100 Generation C302; ADG: 4.15 lb.; WDA: 2.27 lb.; wt.: 1,264 lb.

**OVERALL AVERAGES** ADG: 2.95 lb.; WDA: 2.42 lb.

Final 168-day weights were scheduled to be recorded June 7, and qualifying bulls will sell in the test sale Oct. 8, 2022.

For more information contact Steve Meadows at 803-633-9970 or [smdws@clmson.edu](mailto:smdws@clmson.edu), or visit the test website at <https://www.clemson.edu/extension/bulltest/edisto/>.

## IBEP Summer 2022 Bull Test Initial report (May 17)

Bulls born April 1-Sept. 30, 2021, were received at the test station April 26 for the Indiana Beef Evaluation Program (IBEP) Summer 2022 Bull Test.

Twenty-nine Angus bulls are among the 62 bulls currently being evaluated. Overall, the bulls averaged 813 lb. at the start of the

evaluation May 16-17.

Interim weights will be collected June 14, July 19 and Aug. 16. Final weights will be collected Sept. 18-19.

The bulls will be scanned for IMF, REA and BF, receive scores for claw set and foot angle, and be evaluated for disposition. Bulls must have successfully passed a breeding soundness exam (sometimes referred to as a BSE), be parent-verified to their sire and dam and have genomic-enhanced EPDs to qualify for the sale, to be hosted Oct. 15. Visitors are always welcome.

For more information, contact Nick Minton, beef systems specialist, at [nminton@purdue.edu](mailto:nminton@purdue.edu) or 812-279-4330. Information is available at <https://ag.purdue.edu/ansc/ibep/>.

## MCA/MSU Bull Evaluation Program Announcement

The Michigan Cattlemen's Ass'n (MCA) and Michigan State University (MSU) are making preparations for their annual bull evaluation. Eligible bulls were born Sept. 1, 2021-March 31, 2022, and nominations are due Sept. 2.

Delivery to the test station is scheduled Oct. 7, and on-test weights will be collected Oct. 21-22. Interim weights are scheduled to be observed Nov. 18, Dec. 16, and Jan. 13, 2023, with final weights scheduled Feb. 9-10.

Bulls will be fed a high-fiber, moderate-energy ration designed to allow for a 3.4-lb. average daily gain (ADG).

The test sale is scheduled to be hosted March 18. For more information contact Dan Buskirk at 517-432-0400 or [buskirk@msu.edu](mailto:buskirk@msu.edu), or visit the test website at [www.mibulls.com](http://www.mibulls.com).

## Clemson Bull Test Announcement

Nominations are due July 1 for the 112-day Clemson University Bull Test. Bulls eligible for the senior division were born Sept. 1-Oct. 31, 2021; bulls eligible for the junior division were born Nov. 1-Dec. 31, 2021. As a new requirement this year, all bulls must be tested with a low-density genomic panel or higher for genomic-enhanced EPDs and parentage verified by breed association.

Delivery of the bulls is scheduled on Aug. 2, and on-test weights will be collected Aug. 16. Interim weights will be observed Sept. 13, Oct. 11 and Nov. 8, and final weights are scheduled Dec. 6.

Qualifying bulls will sell Feb. 4, 2023. For more information, contact Steve Meadows at 864-633-9970 or [smdws@clmson.edu](mailto:smdws@clmson.edu), or visit the test website at <http://bit.ly/bt-Clemson>.

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## NC BCIP Waynesville Bull Test Announcement

The North Carolina Beef Cattle Improvement Program (NC BCIP) has announced the schedule for its Waynesville Bull Test, featuring bulls born between Aug. 1 and Nov. 15, 2021. The test is conducted at the Mountain Research Station at Waynesville. Nominations were due June 1 for the evaluation, which has a capacity of 60 bulls.

The bulls were to be received at the test station June 22 to go on test July 5-6. Interim weights will also be recorded Aug. 30 and Sept. 27, and final weights will be recorded Oct. 24-25.

The test sale will be hosted Dec. 3 at the WNC Regional Livestock Center in Canton. For more information contact Kyle Miller, station manager, at 828-456-3943, or visit the test website at <https://beef.ces.ncsu.edu/beef-bull-test/>.

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## NC BCIP Butner Bull Test Announcement

Nominations were due June 15 for the North Carolina Beef Cattle Improvement Program (BCIP) Butner Bull Test. The Butner BCIP Bull Test is operated by the NC State University Agricultural Research Service at the Butner Beef Cattle Field Laboratory near Bahama, N.C. Bulls eligible for the 112-day evaluation were born Aug. 15-Nov. 15, 2021. The evaluation has a capacity of 99 bulls.

The bulls will be received at the


test station July 6, and fed a silage-based diet. Starting weights will be collected July 18-19. Interim weights will be collected Sept. 13 and Oct. 11, and final weights are scheduled to be observed Nov. 7-8. The test sale will be hosted Dec. 16 at the Granville County Livestock Arena in Oxford.

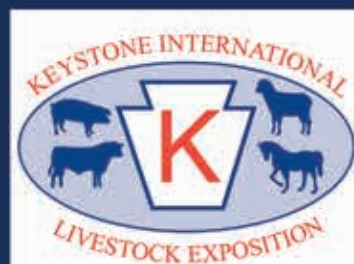
For more information contact Greg Shaeffer, station manager, at 919-471-6872, or visit the test website at <https://beef.ces.ncsu.edu/beef-bull-test/>.

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## Tucumcari Bull Test Announcement

The 62nd Tucumcari Bull Test, hosted at Tucumcari, N.M., will begin October 2022. The test will feature two test groups based on in-weights and time of feed intake testing, and will be based on a total mixed ration of 60% grain and 40% roughage. Eligible bulls were born Jan. 1-April 30, 2022. The schedule will be announced at a later date.

For more information go to <https://tucbulltest.nmsu.edu>, or contact Marcy Ward at 575-644-3379 or [maward@nmsu.edu](mailto:maward@nmsu.edu). 



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