

2009 – 2010 Georgia HERD Program – Calhoun

Prior to November 9, 2009	Heifers must be weaned, dehorned, dewormed, permanently identified with a readable tattoo or brand, vaccinated for IBR, BVD, PI3, BRSV, 7-way Blackleg, 5-way Lepto, Pasteurella, and started on feed.
December 10, 2009	Heifers enter the program with a valid health certificate. HERD ear tags are installed to ID each heifer, tattoos are checked, and calfhood vaccination shields are checked. Ear notches are taken for testing for Persistently Infected - BVD. Booster vaccinations for IBR, BVD, PI3, BRSV, 7-way Blackleg, and 5-way Lepto-Vibrio are given. Heifers are dewormed and given an intranasal vaccine. Record weights and disposition scores.
January 8, 2010	Weights and hip heights are recorded. (REPORT) Heifers are re-vaccinated for IBR, BVD, PI3, BRSV, and 5-way Lepto-Vibrio. (This procedure is to insure better health for all these co-mingled heifers. This may not be necessary in a single producer's program.)
February 3, 2010	Reproductive tract scores, weights, pelvic areas, and disposition scores are collected. CIDRs are inserted. (REPORT)
February 17, 2010	CIDRs are removed.
February 26, 2010	GnRH is injected.
March 5, 2010	Give 5 ml of Lutalyse; heat detection patches are attached; take weights. (REPORT)
March 6 - 7, 2010	Heifers should be evaluated for heat. Breed any heifer standing in a.m that p.m.
March 8, 2010	Time breed all heifers not already AI'd.; GnRH is injected.
Prior to March 11, 2010	Breeding soundness evaluations should be conducted on the cleanup bulls.
March 11, 2010	Cleanup bulls are placed with the heifers.
April 19, 2010	Heifers are weighed, measured for hip heights, given disposition scores, graded by three different individuals, and pregnancy checked to determine which heifers settled AI. (REPORT)
April 26, 2010	Cleanup bulls are removed - 46 days with the heifers (3/8/10 – 4/26/10 = 49 days from start of AI to removal of bulls)
May 27, 2010	Final pregnancy check on the heifers. (31 days after bull removal) Sort out of chute into Sale and Non-Sale Groups.
June 2, 2010 (Wednesday)	HERD Sale