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Beef cattle in the early snow at the Cornell Cooperative Extension of St. Lawrence County Learning Farm in Canton, NY. Photo: Betsy Hodge.

NNY Beef Winter Feed Management Program Rescheduled to November 20

Canton, NY – The Northern New York Winter Feed Management Program for beef producers postponed by Hurricane Sandy impacts downstate has been reset for Tuesday, November 20.

The impact of all types of weather on feed crops will be part of the discussion broadcast by teleconference link among the Cornell Cooperative Extension offices in Canton, Malone, Plattsburgh, Watertown, and Westport. The program begins at 6:30pm.

Due to weather-related crop losses in 2012, farmers may need to consider buying feed this year or consider selling stock. CCE Livestock Educators Ron Kuck and Betsy Hodge will talk about the merits of keeping feeder stock or selling them now, how to buy feed if needed, and how to improve storage to improve feeding efficiency.

Cornell University Beef Extension Specialist Dr. Michael J. Baker will provide information on feeder cattle grading and a price survey update and answer producers' questions.

The program will help farmers take a feed inventory and estimate how much feed they will need through the 2012-2013 winter. Farmers are encouraged to bring information on the types of feed, number of bales, and other feeding program details to the meeting.

There is a \$5 program fee. Register with the local Extension office:

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