Mission
The Alabama Cooperative Extension System (ACES), the primary outreach organization for the land-grant mission of Alabama A&M University and Auburn University, delivers research-based educational programs that enable people to improve their quality of life and economic well-being.

Vision
Its vision is to be a world-class educational organization providing real-life solutions to improve the lives of all Alabamians.

Animal Science & Forages
Extension and its partners create programs to help diverse novice and experienced goat, sheep, and rabbit producers meet consumer demands, while diversifying products and services to yield additional revenue. Participants further benefit from networking with other small ruminant farmers in the Southeast.

Program
8:30-9:00 ................................................................. On-Site Registration
Moderator ............................................................. Dr. Julio Correa
Associate Professor & Extension Animal Scientist, ACES

9:00-9:10
Greetings & Opening Remarks ............................... Dr. Jannie Carter
Extension Assistant Director, ACES

9:10-10:15
Strategic Grazing: Thoughts and Considerations
“Strategery” Reproduction Based on Marketing ....... Mr. Robert Spencer
Urban Regional Extension Specialist, ACES

10:15-10:30 ............................................................... Break

10:30-11:10
Reproductive Management ................................. Dr. Maria Leite-Browning
Extension Animal Scientist, ACES

11:10-11:50
Meat Quality Assurance ................................. Mr. Robert Spencer
Urban Regional Extension Specialist, ACES

Evaluation
Mr. Eddie J. Wheeler
Urban Regional Extension Agent, ACES

12:00-1:00 ................................................................. Lunch
(Hot dogs & goat chili, chips, dessert, & drinks)
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