

## About Extension/ACES

### 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  
"Strategy" 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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