Summer Stockpiling to Extend the Grazing Season and Improve Grassland Bird Habitat

Virginia Forage and Grassland Council Summer Field Day July 31, 2024

5 pm - 8:30 pm

The Wheatlands; 304 Cattleman Road **Swoope, VA 24479**

Program Topics

ricultural Productivity (GAP) Initiative at Virginia Tech

Dr. Jessica Agnew and Madison Kurcias

Summer Stockpiling to Extend Grazing Season and Reduce Hay Costs

Summer Stockpile Forage Quality Compared to Hay

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Benefits of Delayed Hay Cutting and Summer Stockpiling to Grassland Birds

- Dr. Amy Johnson, VWL Program Director, Smithsonian Institute and Bernadette Rigley, VWL Research Fellow and PhD Candidate, George Mason University Overview of Incentive Programs for Summer Stockpiling and Grassland Bird

Habitat - Various Agency Partners







Natural Resources Conservation Service

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HEADWATERS

Registration: \$10/person (includes light dinner and ice cream) Please visit

https://vaforages.org/ for more information and to register online. Online registration link:

https://tinyurl.com/summ erstockpiling

Questions, please email John Benner at benner89@vt.edu



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