

2023 – 2024 Tifton HERD Program Calendar

Prior to 9/1/23	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Heifers must be weaned, dehorned, dewormed, permanently identified with a readable tattoo or brand, vaccinated with a 5 way Respiratory & Reproductive (IBR, BVD, PI3, BRSV, & Lepto/Vibrio), 7-way Clostridial, Pasteurella, and started on feed.
10/2/23 (Monday)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Heifers enter the program with a valid health certificate. • Ear notches are taken for testing for Persistently Infected - BVD. • Heifers are dewormed and given an intranasal vaccine. • Record weights and disposition scores.
10/23/23	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Weights and hip heights are recorded. • Heifers are boosted with a 5 way Respiratory & reproductive (IBR, BVD, PI3, BRSV, & Lepto/Vibrio) & 7-way Clostridial. • <u>Report 1</u>
11/8/23	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reproductive tract scores, weights, pelvic areas, and disposition scores are collected. CIDRs are inserted. • <u>Report 2</u>
11/22/23	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CIDRs are removed.
12/8/23	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lutalyse is administered (between 2-5 p.m.). • Record weights.
12/11/23	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Time breed all heifers (7-11am) • GnRH is administered. • <u>Report 3</u>
Prior to 12/19/23	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Breeding soundness exams should be conducted on the cleanup bulls.
12/19/23	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clean-up bulls turned out with the heifers.
2/7/24	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cleanup bulls are removed - 50 days with the heifers. (12/19/23 – 2/7/24 = 58 days from start of AI to bull removal)
3/13/24	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ultrasound to determine which heifers settled AI. (35 days after bull removal). Heifers are weighed, measured for hip heights, given disposition scores, and graded by three different individuals. • <u>Report 4</u>
4/9/24	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Final ultrasound check on the heifers. (63 days after bull removal) Sort out of chute into Sale and Non-Sale Groups. Check EIDs. Apply fly control.
4/16/24 (Tuesday)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 25th Tifton HERD Sale