



## **News for Immediate Release**

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### **Top-Performing Bulls to Sell at PA Livestock Evaluation Center**

**Pennsylvania Furnace, Pa.** – Beef producers have an opportunity to buy some of the best genetics in the northeast during a cattle sale at Pennsylvania's Livestock Evaluation Center in Pennsylvania Furnace, Centre County, Friday, March 30 at noon.

Top-gaining performance-tested bulls will be sold at the 39<sup>th</sup> annual Performance-Tested Bull Sale. Bulls enrolled in the program will have completed a 112-day test evaluating average daily gain, weight per day of age, feed efficiency, loin muscle size and fat deposition. All bulls will be given a breeding soundness exam and be selected for sale based on their performance in both components.

There are currently 138 bulls on test representing six beef breeds including Angus, Hereford, Limousin, Red Angus, Simmental and Angus-Simmental crossbred, consigned by producers from Pennsylvania, Maryland, New York and New Jersey.

The fastest gaining bull at 84 days on test is an Angus, consigned by Monte Nisewander of Greencastle, Franklin County. This GAR EGL Protege son has gained 6.29 pounds per day on test. The second fastest gaining bull on test is a Connealy Final Product Angus consignment by Corne Vogelaar, Far Hills, N.J., gaining 6.02 pounds per day on test. The Angus bulls on test averaged 4.72 pounds per day of gain at 84 days.

Leading the 33 Simmental bulls on test is a GW Lucky Dice son consigned by Caitlin Wolfgang of Middletown, Dauphin County, gaining 5.68 pounds per day. Following this bull, with 5.4 pounds per day of gain, is a Triple C Majic Man son consigned by Woodview Simmentals of Blairsville, Indiana County. The Simmentals on test are averaging 4.59 pounds per day of gain.

Eight Red Angus bulls are currently on test, led by a Country Acres Glance son consigned by Gabe Zepp of New Windsor, Md., that is gaining 4.77 pounds per day. Second-fastest gaining is a PIE Advantage son consigned by Ryan Colteryahn of Prospect, Butler County, gaining 4.48 pounds per day.

A Hereford consigned by Roy and Susan Smith of East Greenville, Montgomery County, leads the nine Herefords on test. The SHF RibEye son is gaining 5.38 pounds per day.

The Limousin bull consigned by Jonah Broughton of Attica, N.Y., a RUNL Wrojo son, is gaining 3.95 pounds per day and two Angus-Simmental crossbred bulls from Tom Hamm of Allenwood, Union County, are averaging 4.66 pounds per day of gain.

The bull sale is part of the Pennsylvania Beef Expo. Other expo events at the center will include a Simmental breeding cattle sale and a trade show organized by the Pennsylvania Cattlemen's Association.

For more information about Pennsylvania's performance testing programs and sales or facilities for hosting livestock events, contact Greg Hubbard at 814-238-2527 or [gghubbard@pa.gov](mailto:gghubbard@pa.gov) or visit [www.livestockevaluationcenter.com](http://www.livestockevaluationcenter.com). For information about the beef expo, visit <http://pacattle.org>.

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The Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture's Samuel E. Hayes, Jr. Livestock Evaluation Center measures genetic traits for beef, swine, sheep and meat goats for two purposes: to benefit producers through evaluating economically important traits and to benefit consumers by providing wholesome, high-quality products at an affordable price.