

Meat Sample Protocol
Pasture-Based Beef Systems for Appalachia Project

1) **Meat sample required is to be a complete, untrimmed 4-inch-thick "rib roast."** The first cut is to be between ribs 12 and 13. The second cut is to be 4 inches forward on the fore quarter.

2) Sample is to be **vacuum-packed (preferred) or wrapped in paper; then flash frozen; wrapped again in foil to exclude light; and kept frozen by producer** until delivery can be accomplished.

3) **Delivery arrangements** depend upon circumstances and must be scheduled to assure that samples are received and preserved in a frozen state. Shipping address is shown below. Please **contact John Lozier, telephone 304-293-6256, or email John.Lozier@mail.wvu.edu**, when sample is ready to ship.

If producer is accustomed to shipping frozen products, please ship by FEDEX Priority Overnight service to the address shown below. We will provide a prepaid, pre-addressed FEDEX Airbill.

If producer is NOT accustomed to shipping frozen products, two options are available:

A) We can ship dry ice in a suitable shipping container, along with a prepaid, pre-addressed FEDEX Airbill. We would ship on a Monday, for overnight Fedex delivery on a Tuesday. Producer or his representative must be prepared to receive on Tuesday and then (using the same packaging) **immediately** ship by FEDEX Priority Overnight for delivery on Wednesday. (If sufficient dry ice can be preserved, shipment on Wednesday for overnight delivery on Thursday may be an option.)

OR

B) Project staff will travel or send a courier to collect the sample held by producer.

Questions or concerns? Ready to ship? Please use the following address:

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