

Federally-Recognized Tribes Extension Program
2008 HIGHLIGHTS

FRTEP UNIT: Jicarilla/ Southern Ute

PROGRAM AREA: Agriculture

PROGRAM TITLE: Livestock Record Keeping

ISSUE(S) ADDRESSED:

The need for tribal producers to keep good and accurate records is more important now than it has been in the past: With the increase in cost of production and low cattle prices, premise id, potential disease transfer and the need for records to be kept to participate in many agriculture assistance programs.

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION: The Jicarilla/Southern Ute Extension Program has initiated the process of assisting tribal producers to become better record keepers. This has been done by coordinating presentations from the NMSU University Veterinarian, NMSU livestock specialist, representatives from FSA and NRCS, and Navajo Extension Agent Gerald Moore. Presentations have been conducted in the spring and fall.

PROGRAM IMPACT:

Half of the producers on the Jicarilla reservation have attended these presentations with many others requesting information. The program is in the process of applying for a grant to develop a customized record keeping system for our tribal producers. Southern Ute producers have expressed a desire to have the same presentations and system developed.

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