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Building Consultation

Agriculture Producers, if you are considering building a new farm building or remodeling an existing facility and need some free advice from an agriculture engineer, call for an appointment today.

Steve Pohl, SDSU Agriculture Structures Specialist is available for consultations.

Call for an appointment, consultants will be limited on a first come first serve basis. For appointments call the Lincoln County Extension Office at 764-2756.

Publication Discusses Beef Cow Mineral Supplements.

A new publication from South Dakota State University offers tips on formulating mineral supplements for beef cows.

Find the publication online at this link: <http://agbiopubs.sdstate.edu/articles/ExEx2064.pdf>. Or ask at your county Extension office about SDSU Extension Extra 2064. SDSU Extension Beef Specialist Cody Wright wrote the publication.

“In many cases, commercial mineral supplements are formulated to provide in excess of 100 percent of the nutrient requirements for many different minerals. However, at least a portion of the minerals required by beef cows is provided by the feeds the cows are consuming. The formulation of supplements to supply only what the animal needs may provide an opportunity for cost savings.”

SDSU Extension Extra 2064, “Formulating Mineral Supplements for Beef Cows,” discusses requirements, determining mineral supply in the diet, and formulating a supplement. The publication also discusses white salt and mineral sources.

Consult the publication for more details.