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#### How to Plan, Promote and Host a Pasture Walk



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# Introductions



Food Animal Concerns Trust



**Food Animal Concerns Trust (FACT)** is a national nonprofit organization that advocates for the safe and humane production of meat, milk, and eggs.

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FACT's services for livestock and poultry farmers include:

- Fund-a-Farmer Grants
- Conference scholarships
- Free webinars
- Humane Farming Mentorship Program

# How To Plan, Promote & Host a Pasture Walk

- Planning
- Promotion
- Hosting









# Planning a Pasture Walk

- Why are we hosting?
- What are our:
  - funding source(s)
  - educational goals
  - take home message
- Who will participate?
  - Partners
  - Attendees
- When?
- Where?









# Planning a Pasture Walk Season

#### Activities

- November: planning meeting with producers & partners
- December: plan winter workshop
- January: plan pasture walks
- February: announce events
- March: host workshop and announce pasture walks
- April October: continue announcing and hosting events

#### Outcomes

- Wrap up the season
- Determine future educational needs
- Confirm pasture walk themes & host farms



#### Planning a Pasture Walk







# Planning a Pasture Walk with Partners



- Establish partner roles
- Firm schedule
- Schedule mile points and check in meetings
- Develop trusted partnerships & mutual respect

### **Promoting a Pasture Walk**

- Promote early & often
- Save the date notices
- Press releases
- Social media
- News articles
- Partners
- Direct contact



- Pre walk meeting
- Dry walk through
- Time the stops
- Last minute changes
- Review assignments
- Point person shares schedule with nonattendees



- Be prepared early
- Respect each other's roles
- Registration
- Back up plan
- Engage attendees
- Maximize networking





- Managing the crowd
- Welcome the group
- Learn the audience
- Thank the host
- Set the schedule
- Introduce the speakers
- Set the ground rules



- Start on time
- Stay on time
- Manage the extra input
- End on time



# Wrapping up the Pasture Walk

- Evaluations
- Announcements
- Thank you's
- End official walk on time
- Manage the remaining group
- Post event follow up





#### **Questions?**





#### **Upcoming webinars**

February 14: Farm Bill for Livestock Farmers & RanchersFebruary 20: Managed Grazing for Healthy SoilsMarch 6: Planning Ahead for Turkeys

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