MEMORANDUM

TO: District 10 County Extension Agents

FROM: Kathleen Greer Megan Logan
District Extension Administrator District 10 4-H Specialist

SUBJECT: 2015 District 10 4-H April Judging Contests

DATE: Saturday, April 9, 2016 – Entomology Judging @ San Antonio
Wednesday, April 20, 2016 – Meats Judging @ San Angelo
Saturday, April 23, 2016 – Soil Judging @ College Station
Wednesday, April 27, 2016 – Range Evaluation, Pasture ID, Wool & Mohair Judging @ Junction

REGISTRATION: Registration on 4-H Connect as follows:

- Entomology and Meats:
  o Regular Registration: March 14 - March 22, 2016 under the event “2015-2016 District 10 Entomology Contest” or “2015-2016 District 10 Meats Judging Contest:”
  o Late Registration: March 23 – March 24, 2016

- Range Evaluation, Pasture ID, Soils, Wool & Mohair Judging:
  o Regular Registration: April 1 - April 20, 2016 each contest will be its own “event” on 4-H Connect.

COST: Regular Registration: $10 per individual
LATE Registration: $35.00 per individual
***This is the regular registration cost plus a $25 late fee***

This year, the process will return to each individual member registering on 4-H Connect, themselves and agents will list their teammates in a manager field before sending on to the District Level.

If counties are paying for participant registration fees with a county check, please make payments directly to Texas 4-H Foundation. Please include a report of the participants you are paying for with the check so proper credit can be made!
DUE DATE: Entomology and Meats: March 24, 2016 to the District Office
Range, Pasture, Soils, Wool and Mohair: April 20, 2016 to the District Office

AGE DIVISIONS: There will be three age divisions for all Judging Contests. Age division is determined by the
4-H’ers birthday as of August 31, 2015.
- Juniors – 3rd Grade (and 8 years old) – 5th Grade
- Intermediates – 6th – 8th Grade
- Seniors – 9th– 12th Grade (has not surpassed their 18th birthday as of August 31, 2015)

TEAM/INDIVIDUAL: Counties may enter as many teams and up to 2 individuals in judging contests in each age
division. All youth entered in each age division will be eligible for high point individual awards.

MATERIALS: Answer packets/placing cards will be provided for all participants at the judging
contests. Contestants will be required to bring two (2) #2 pencils and one clipboard.

VOLUNTEERS TO ASSIST WITH CONTESTS: All of the District Judging Contests will need additional volunteers to help as group leaders,
tabulators, etc. Agents will need to recruit and CONFIRM volunteers who can serve in these roles.

MAP: Map is enclosed for San Antonio and Junction
## CONTEST SCHEDULE AND ASSIGNMENTS

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<td><strong>Saturday, April 9, 2016 – San Antonio</strong></td>
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| **Entomology Judging** | Bexar County Extension Office 3355 Cherry Ridge Dr. St.208 San Antonio, TX 78230 | **Superintendent:** Natalie Cervantes  
**Committee:** Austin Kirmer, David Rodriguez |
|                        | 10:00 a.m. Registration  
10:30 a.m. Contest begins |                                                       |
| **Wednesday, April 20, 2016 – San Angelo** |                        |                                                       |
| **Meat Judging**       | Angelo State University Meats Lab 7945 Grape Creek Rd. San Angelo, Texas | **Superintendent:** Derrick Drury  
**Committee:** Brad Roeder |
|                        | 1:00 p.m. Registration  
1:30 p.m. Contest Begins |                                                       |
| **Saturday, April 23, 2016** |                                                    |                                                       |
| **Soil Judging**       | Texas A&M University  
O.D. Butler Jr. Animal Science Complex  
College Station, TX  
Map: [http://aggiemap.tamu.edu/?Bldg=4002](http://aggiemap.tamu.edu/?Bldg=4002)  
7:30 a.m. Registration | **Superintendents:** Troy Luepke |
| **Wednesday, April 27, 2016 – Junction** |                                                    |                                                       |
| **Range & Pasture ID** | Coke Stevenson Center  
440 N. U.S. Hwy 83  
Junction, TX 76849  
7:30 a.m. Registration  
8:00 a.m. Contest begins  
1:00 p.m. Awards (following lunch) | **Superintendents:** Sam Silvers, Pascual Hernandez  
**Committee:** Laci Bostic, Koy Coffer, Brad Roeder, Stephen Zoeller, Sam Womble |
| **Range Judging**      | Coke Stevenson Center  
440 N. U.S. Hwy 83  
Junction, TX 76849  
7:30 a.m. Registration  
9:00 a.m. Contest Begins  
1:00 p.m. Awards (following lunch) | **Superintendents:** Sam Silvers, Pascual Hernandez  
**Committee:** Laci Bostic, Koy Coffer, Brad Roeder, Stephen Zoeller, Sam Womble |
| **Wool Judging**       | Coke Stevenson Center  
440 N. U.S. Hwy 83  
Junction, TX 76849  
1:00 p.m. Registration  
1:30 p.m. Orientation  
2:00 p.m. Contest begins  
5:00 p.m. Awards | **Superintendents:** Sam Silvers, Roy Walston  
**Committee:** Laci Bostic, Koy Coffer, Brad Roeder, Stephen Zoeller, Sam Womble |

***Schedule is tentative – subject to change***
Additonal Information for District Judging Contests

New this year: teams will be allowed to judge in both Mohair and Wool Judging, as well as both Range Evaluation and Pasture ID. If your teams are interested in doing this, please register them in both contests. If a team qualifies in both contests, we will be asking them to decide which one they will be competing in at State Round-Up at the completion of the contest.

Entomology Identification - Superintendent, Natalie Cervantes, Bexar County
Identify selected insects and complete a written examination on insects. Questions will be selected primarily from "Study Materials for 4-H Entomology Contests."

Meats Judging - Superintendent, Derrick Drury, Medina County
Meat judging and identification is the evaluation and selection of cuts of meats from beef, swine and sheep species. This contest will be conducted by ASU for Districts 7 and 10.

Mohair Judging and Evaluation - Superintendent, Roy Walston, Kerr County
Judge two classes of mohair and complete an evaluation form on each class. Evaluate 20 fleeces for grade, staple length and yield.

Range & Pasture Grass Identification - Superintendent, Pascual Hernandez, Sutton County
Identify and classify 40 to 50 live or mounted grass specimens according to their life span, season of growth, origin, and grazing value for livestock and wildlife. A grass list is available from Dr. Barron Rector.

Range Evaluation - Superintendent, Pascual Hernandez, Sutton County
Team entry of 3 or 4 members. Contestants identify 20 to 40 range plants; determine use, condition, site and practices for range area; and evaluate four range plots. A master plant list is available from Dr. Barron Rector.

Soil Judging - Superintendent, Roy Walston, Kerr County
Judge four soil profiles with 20 minutes allowed for each. Determine the soil characteristics of the profiles and make interpretations based on observation.

Wool Judging & Evaluation - Superintendent, Roy Walston, Kerr County
Judge two classes of wool and complete an evaluation form on each class. Evaluate 20 fleeces for grade, staple length and yield.

If you have any questions about any of the judging contests, registering participants through 4-H CONNECT or the volunteer forms, please contact the District Office.

Enclosures
- Volunteers to Assist with Judging Contests
- Map

Mohair Judging
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Superintendents:
Sam Silvers
Roy Walston
Committee:
Laci Bostic
Koy Coffer
Brad Roeder
Stephen Zoeller
Sam Womble
Due to District Office by March 24, 2016
Or April 20, 2016
(Depending on contest)

County

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The persons listed below have been confirmed to assist at the **Entomology, Range, Pasture ID, Wool, Mohair or Soils Contests**. Please circle the contest they have agreed to help with.

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