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Deferred Creep Feed Program

Ask our sales team: *Jarrett or Jamie* about how you can take advantage of the **Deferred Payment** option and our **Creep Feed Booking Program**.

See how our Thrive and Peninsula Creep Rations can work for you and your calves.

🍁 Fall Deworming Reminder 🍁

As the seasons change, it's the perfect time to check in on your horse's deworming schedule. Fall is especially important because bot larvae and other internal parasites are most active this time of year. A fecal egg count can help guide the best treatment, but many veterinarians recommend a dose targeting bots and strongyles after the first frost. Keeping your deworming program consistent helps your horse stay healthy, maintain weight, and head into winter feeling their best!



Watch your mail box for our Home & Garden Fall Flyer

There are lots of items to get your yard in shape for Fall:

leaf rakes, gloves, mulch, grass seed and more

We have rodenticides, bait stations and traps in stock.

Remember to bring your pesticide licence. More products now require it.



Our flyers and newsletters are on line at blfarm.com. While you are there, why not sign up for our emailing list to receive the newsletter and latest flyers right to your inbox.



Testing Feeds and Forages

Why do we test on-farm feeds and forages? As any producer knows, feed is the number one cost in running an operation; adding the cost of analyzing the on-farm feeds increases an already substantial bill. With this in mind, many producers often opt to not test their forages, or to at least not test them as routinely as they should. However, saving a bit here and there on missed feed analyses could be costing you more money in lost production in the long run.

A balanced ration and targeted nutrition are incredibly important to an efficient operation. Any animal's nutrient requirements can vary widely based on stage of production, and knowing the nutrient composition of on-farm feeds allows nutritionists to formulate to specific amounts. By targeting exact nutrient levels, we can maximize animal health and performance while avoiding the over-feeding of costly ingredients.

Routine feed testing also helps to overcome any variation in nutrient content that can be seen over a growing season, or changes in the feed during storage. Factors that influence feed and forage quality can include maturity of the crop, species and variety, leafiness, and growing, harvest, and storage conditions. First cut versus third cut, the home field versus the neighbour's rented land, BMR versus conventional, two weeks in the bunk versus 6 months... all these feeds may look similar to the naked eye, but will appear very different after chemical analysis in the lab.

When it comes down to it, it is easy to see the many benefits and associated cost savings that regular feed testing can afford a producer when it comes to their feed, order to order. However, longer term savings can also be seen when comparing samples from different growing years. Decisions can be made on fertilizer requirements, storage inoculants, varieties planted, and pesticides applied when feeds are compared growing season to growing season, allowing you to directly compare the return over investment costs of your crop inputs.

By working closely with your on-farm rep or nutritionist to develop a comprehensive feed testing plan, you can ensure healthy animals and healthy bottom lines.

We have a good supply of DIATOMACEOUS EARTH 11.34KG in stock. It is an all natural pesticide and can be used to kill a variety of crawling insects. It can also be used as a deodorizer, absorbent for liquids, filtration aid, soil additive for improved drainage, and is sometimes sold as a dietary supplement due to its silica content.

We sell Diamond Bar brand gates, aluminum gates and bunk feeders. If we don't have it in stock—

WE CAN GET IT!

