

National Bull Test Program

Performance testing your genetics and benchmarking them with other programs bulls is one of the most important steps a BAA member can take to move the Braunvieh breed forward.

The National Bull Test Program is available to any BAA member who wants to send their bulls to a qualified test location to measure and benchmark their genetics through performance testing. For those wanting to participate there are two current locations accepting BAA registered Braunvieh bulls born in the fall of 2021. PX Feeders, Evant TX and Green Springs Bull Test (GSBT), Nevada MO will accept Braunvieh bulls anytime from now until June 1 and begin the warm up period followed by the start of a 100 day plus test period.

For participation in this program bulls need to weigh at least 550 pounds, have a 100K dna test completed (if one is not on file dna will be pulled at the test location and submitted at the owners expense), for bulls going to GSBT they must be born from August 1 to October 31 and for bulls going to PX they must be born from September 1 to November 30. Bulls must be registered and have a 205 day weight recorded. An entry form will be provided for your completion. Bulls tested should have 2 rounds of shots and be fully weaned. A second test period will be available this fall for bulls to be tested for bulls born this spring.

A sale is planned for spring of 2023 for qualifying bulls which meet minimum index requirements, have a maximum of a 99 pound adjusted birth weight, a minimum of 1000 pound yearling weight, and pass a breeding soundness exam including a minimum 33 scrotal measurement. All bulls committed to the sale will need to remain at their respective test location up to sale date and owners will be responsible for all continued feed/management expenses up to sale. Sale costs including advertising, semen testing, clipping/video/pictures, etc will be at sellers expense with a budgeted amount made available prior to commitment to this sale.

Fall 2022 Dates:

DOB Window	Deliver By	Test Over By	Test Location
3/1-5/30	10/1	2/1	Green Springs
12/1-2/28	10/1	2/1	PX Feeders

For all questions regarding the Test and 2023 Sale contact:

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For assistance in scheduling your bulls to be received or questions on billing you can directly contact:

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