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## 2020 Junior Livestock Grading and Auction Still A Go for Cancelled Fair

**YREKA, CA** – The Siskiyou Golden Fairground is pleased to announce that the plan for the Junior Livestock Grading and Auction has been given a green light by Siskiyou County Public Health. After several months of planning and closely watching the COVID-19 pandemic in our county, we are cautiously moving forward with plans to host a grading and auction for the junior livestock exhibitors that have projects. "The Siskiyou Golden Fairgrounds Board of Directors, Staff and the many volunteers that run the Junior Livestock Auction Committee are all committed to putting on an educational event for the kids and at the same time providing an important part of production agriculture that is historic in our county," stated CEO Cliff Munson, "Many families purchase their animal protein for the entire year from the annual livestock auction and it is our goal to provide that opportunity in 2020." The 2020 plan has beef cattle graded and sold on Friday. The Sheep, Goats, Rabbits, Turkeys, Chickens and Dairy Heifers will be graded and sold on Saturday and the Hogs will have their turn on Sunday.

There are many factors that could affect our efforts but the two most pressing are changes to the Siskiyou County COVID-19 guidelines and a fire camp. The committee is dedicated to making the event happen and we will go virtual if it is our only option. The Junior Livestock Grading and Auction Plan has been sent to the State level for review and we are confident it will be reviewed and given the green light at that level also.

The Siskiyou Golden Fair began is 1859 in Fort Jones as a livestock exhibition with a few home and fine arts and 2020 is taking us all the way back to the beginning. For more information about the grading and auction go to the web page at <u>www.sisqfair.com</u>, email <u>info@sisqfair.com</u> or call the fair office at 842-2767.

Please stay healthy and strong Siskiyou County! We will be back to celebrate with you all on the historic grounds of the Siskiyou Golden Fairgrounds August 11-15, 2021.