

A foundational part of ranching is allowing cattle to use a variety of forage types year-round. When forage quality is low, you need to provide supplemental protein to maintain your cattle's body condition, health, and productivity.



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Protein Supplement Options



Crystalyx low moisture supplement in plastic or bio-barrels:

- » Protein levels of 20% to 30%
- » Fully mineral/vitamin fortified
- » Several additive options



IFA Range Force in 200 lb plastic tubs:

- » Protein level 25%
- » Fully mineral/vitamin fortified
- » Compressed tub



BoviBox block supplement in 90 and 100 lb bio-degradable cardboard boxes:

- » Protein levels of 20% to 30%
- » Fully mineral/vitamin/probiotic fortified
- » Rumensin options available



IFA Intermountain Cattleman Range Cubes in bulk tote sacks or bulk truck delivery:

- » Protein levels of 20% to 30%
- » Fed on the ground at desired rate
- » Optional mineral/vitamin fortification



IFA Intermountain Cattleman Salt Limited Protein Meals in 50 lb bags or bulk tote sacks:

- » Protein levels of 36% and 45%
- » Fully mineral/vitamin fortified
- » Variable levels of added fat

Compare supplement option costs using this simple formula.

Daily Supplement Cost Per Head:

Target feeding rate to supply desired amount of protein

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Product cost per pound = cost per head

Ex: 1.25 lbs X \$0.40 per pound
= \$0.50 per cow per day

Comparing
Protein
Options

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In addition to cost, consider these important factors when evaluating and choosing a protein supplement:

- » Self-fed tubs and blocks require less time and labor to feed than cubes and meals.
- » Most of the products listed include mineral and vitamin fortification. If your protein supplement is not fortified, we recommend feeding a mineral/vitamin supplement in addition to protein.
- » If a protein supplement contains non-protein nitrogen (NPN), intake should be managed and monitored on a daily basis to avoid excess consumption.
- » Adding medications and other additives to a protein supplement will increase the cost but it can generate greater returns through cattle health and performance.

Let IFA Help You Find the Right Protein Supplement for Your Livestock

If you are not sure which supplement option will work best for you, your IFA Feed Sales Consultant or Nutritionist is glad to provide detailed product and cost information.

The IFA Protein Supplement Guide is a great resource for protein supplement information and to help with protein supplement decisions. See more at Go.IFA.coop/Beef-Cattle-Protein →

