

In an effort to increase the number of opportunities for Iowa meat processors to learn from each other, the IMPA with Iowa State University's Small Meat Processors Working Group would like to hold four regional meetings around the state this spring.

These meetings will be held in plants, focusing on real challenges and/or new ideas in these plants.

Each meeting will last 2–3 hours. Please RSVP.

- **Edgewood Locker**, in Edgewood, would like to discuss some of the management and processing systems that have put in place as they've grown. A particular challenge they are currently facing is in regards to waste water pre-treatment.
 - **Date: Tuesday, March 30th, starting at 4 p.m.**
 - RSVP: (563) 928-6814
- **Atlantic Locker Services**, in Atlantic, built a new plant several years ago. Discussion will focus on their new facility's operation and how they made it happen.
 - **Date: Friday, April 16th, starting at 3 p.m.**
 - RSVP: (712) 243-1941
- **Ruthven Meat Processing**, in Ruthven, has undergone a renovation. Discussion will focus on what improvements they made and how they made it happen.
 - **Date: Saturday, April 24th, starting at 1 p.m.**
 - RSVP: (712) 837-5334
- **Dayton Meat Products**, in Malcom, has been adjusting their processing methods to increase throughput. Find out about what they've tried and how it worked.
 - **Date: Tuesday, May 11th, starting at 4 p.m.**
 - RSVP: (641) 528-3420

Please RSVP to either the locker plant or to Arion Thiboumery [(415) 260-6890 or arion@iastate.edu].

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