

# Drought Recovery

How Can Producers Plan  
to Best Recover from Drought?

# Interviews

- Only one producer specifically talked about how to recover from drought
  - Focus was on dealing with mental/emotional paralysis that may come after severe drought
- Mentioned by four advisors, specifically from financial aspect
- Two advisors also spoke to need for letting pastures recover

# Re-Stocking

- Problem of restocking at high prices
- Question of buy more, hold back replacement heifers
- Decide when to restock
- Use opportunity to restructure operation if needed

# Financial Issues

- Need five year plan
- Deal with economic reality
- May not have enough wealth to survive prolonged drought

# Pasture Recovery

- Be cautious
- Rate of recovery determines economic recovery; rate is determined by how much/little pastures are damaged

# Emotional

- Prepare for emotional paralysis (post traumatic stress syndrome) relating to devastation, finances and getting back into the game
- Learn from others

Is this it?