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Waidelich, Aultman named Master Farmers

By Doug Graves Ohio Correspondent

GREENVILLE, Ohio – There are farmers. And then there are Master Farmers.

The Master Farmer award is presented to individuals who have demonstrated how to farm more effectively, efficiently, environmentally and economically. The winners were nominated by their peers and honored at the Ohio Conservation Tillage & Technology Virtual Conference this past spring.

This year's winners are Greg Waidelich, of Amanda, Ohio, in Fairfield County, and Matt Aultman, of Greenville, Ohio, in Darke County.

Waidelich has been working with the soil and water conservation districts in Fairfield and Pickaway counties for nearly 40 years to implement a wide range of practices to protect, stabilize and enhance natural resources on his 1,700-acre farm.

"When I graduated from high school in 1969 I didn't know what I wanted to do so I attended Wilmington College for a year and studied agriculture," he said. "I quit after just one year because I felt the courses didn't pertain to what I wanted to do. I eventually went back to school, only this time I attended Ohio State University for only one year. There I studied animal science and ag economics."

His interest in farming still wasn't piqued until his uncle rented him 34 acres.

Waidelich has grown his 34-acre farm to a sprawl of more than 1,700 acres of corn, soybeans, wheat and cover crops. And more

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Above: Greg Waidelich and his wife, Linda, have been married 50 years. They have two grown children, Todd and Nikki.



Above: Help on the farm? Indeed. Matt gets help on the farm from his wife, Morgan, daughter, Sophia and son, William. (photo submitted)



Above: County fairs are in full swing across the Farm World readership area. After a year of virtual or canceled fairs; 4-Hers are delighted to be back. Joe Pumroy, 16, is shown here with his prize winning Tom turkey during the LaPorte County Fair in northwest Indiana. Photo by Stan Maddux.

Yields are under cloud of uncertainty due to weather

By Stan Maddux Indiana Correspondent

WEST LAFAYETTE, Ind. – Poor crop conditions from drought in some major producing states will likely diminish total yields nationwide despite relief from Mother Nature in recent days.

That's according to farm economists at Purdue University, who believe some of the damage from lack of rainfall is irreversible.

Jim Mintert, director of Purdue's Center for Commercial Agriculture, said crop conditions particularly in North Dakota, South Dakota and Minnesota, along with parts of northern Iowa. will be watched closely by market analysts for at least the short term.

Recently, Mintert said rain has fallen in the drought stricken Great Plains but the extent of the precipitation and what impact that might have on struggling corn and soybeans was not immediately known.

Mintert added uncertainty over the future health of the crop might lead to more volatility in prices already seeing major swings the past few months. "Crop progress reports and the six to 10 day forecast are going to be the words to live by I think the next few weeks," he said.

According to the latest USDA crop condition report, 65 percent of corn in the 18 major production states is rated as good to excellent.

Just 35 percent of corn in North Dakota and South Dakota, though, achieved the same rating while 40 percent of corn in Minnesota was deemed good to excellent.

Michael Langemeier, the center's associate

director, said the three states combined represent 19 percent of the nation's corn production. "Very low numbers compared to the rest of the country. These are very important corn states," he said.

The outlook for crops in the eastern corn belt appeared much brighter with 73 percent of Indiana corn, for example, in the good to excellent range, according to USDA. According to USDA, the condition rankings were similar across the board for soybeans.

In other areas like parts of Illinois, conditions were starting to get a bit too dry until enough rain came down recently to cause flooding in some of the fields.

Matt Schafer, an Indiana corn and soybean grower near Lake Michigan, said all of his corn and soybeans were in excellent shape in somewhat dry soil until receiving 4 inches of rain during a short period in late June. Lesser amounts of precipitation followed in July when the ground was still a bit too waterlogged.

As a result, Schafer said he lost some of his crop especially in the low lying areas.

His corn and soybeans on higher ground, though, are slightly better to much better than average. "Overall, things look pretty decent," Schafer said.

Despite prices dropping from their recent peak, farmers were advised to lock in at least some of their maturing crop at current price levels.

Nathan Thompson, assistant professor in Purdue's department of agricultural econom-

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than money, he strives to be a good steward of the land.

"As the district conservationist with the USDA Natural Resources Conservation District the past 17 years in Fairfield County, I have witnessed Greg demonstrate his strong stewardship ethic by his actions on the land, as well as his encouragement to fellow farmers," said David Libben, one of many who nominated Waidelich for this honor.

"Nikki Drake, district manager with the Fairfield Soil and Water Conservation district, helped design a lot of these conservation practices I have implemented on the farm," Waidelich said. "They have educated me extremely well."

Waidelich recalls four-year rotations and pasture, wheat and hay-fields. "We had more crops growing in the fields in the fall, winter and spring," he said. "It held the soil in place and there were more earthworms, more life in the soil than you see today."

His conservation practices, cover crops and crop rotations have helped him restore the soil on the farm. "Growing winter wheat is a big advantage, although a lot of people have given up on it because it's a food-grade product," he said.

Preventing erosion is high on his list of achievements and preventions. "We live in an area where the ground is rolling, and I knew I had to do something to stop it," he said.

He installed chemical containment, two livestock pipeline/watering facilities, 16 subsurface drainage systems, 40 grassed waterways, two water sediment and control basins, two grade stabilization structures, stream crossing and variable-rate fertilizer.

Waidelich has installed projects through USDA's Conservation Reserve Program and Environmental Quality Incentives Program, and he is enrolled in the Conservation Stewardship Program.

"Two things my father told me has stuck with me to this day," he said. "He said 'take care of the soil and it will take care of you'. He also said 'If you love what you do then it's not work'. Farming is something I enjoy doing."

'Diversify' is the best adjective to describe Matt Aultman, who tends to a 564-acre farm in Greenville.

"Here at our farm we like to grow corn, soybeans and wheat," he said. "We have livestock and have chickens, rabbits, goats and sheep. In the fall we have pumpkins, gourds, ornamental, flower and garden. And then there's red clove, sorghum, malting

barley, cereal rye, oats, grapes and clover."

And there's no slowing Aultman down. There's more. He's started a food forest, growing things such as pawpaws to utilize the woods. On his horizon of things to do are growing mushrooms, raspberries, wildflowers and groves of ramps.

"We always like trying something new," he said. "For a small farm, it's about trying to tap into those niche markets. I don't have a large farm, but I do a lot with the acres I have."

When he was just 12 his father gave him an acre and told him to learn to grow and take care of a crop. Turnip was Matt's crop of choice back then. "That was the first crop I raised and sold. Since then I've always had this passion to try something different," Aultman said.

Aultman is building and managing a woodlot by planting trees and tapping maple trees. He's started an apiary business to produce honey and provide pollination for his farm and neighboring farms.

Above all, Aultman is a big believer in conservation practices to help boost soil health. He also has a strong commitment to serving agriculture and his community in leadership positions. He gained a lot of knowledge, he said, by reading, attending conferences and field days, and talking to other growers.

"Conservation practices bring value back to the farm," he said. "If you have more topsoil, consequently you can raise better crops and better crops make you more money."

Aultman serves on several agriculture and youth boards. He is a county Farm Bureau board member, former Farm Service Agency county committee representative and member of countless state organizations. He is also an Ohio Certified Seed producer and distributor. Both Aultman and his wife, Morgan, are 4-H advisers.

"I'm the guy who likes to sit in the background, do the best with what I have and share with other what's worked and what hasn't," he said. "I'm not big on being in the spotlight, but I am thankful and grateful for this honor."

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Ohio House passes Family Farm Regeneration Act

Ohio Correspondent

COLUMBUS, Ohio - The Ohio House recently passed House Bill 95, the Family Farm Regeneration Act, with one dissenting vote. This legislation can smooth the way for the next generation of Ohio farmers and provide resilience for the state's food system.

H.B.95 would authorize tax credits for those who sell or rent farmland, livestock, buildings or equipment to beginning farmers, said Amalie Lipstreu, the Ohio Ecological Food and Farm Associations's (OEFFA) policy director. It also provides a credit for beginning farmers who attend a financial management program. The bill is modeled from bills that have been passed in other states, including Minnesota.

"In having conversations with the folks in Minnesota, a little more than a year after that bill had passed they had processed applications for more than 400 landowners and 400 land seekers," Lipstreu said. "So this has proven to be a pretty successful model for making connections and incentivizing that transition of land between older generations and next-generation farmers."

Reps. Susan Manchester (R-84) and Mary Lightbody (D-19) sponsored the legislation in the House. During her floor speech, Manchester noted that the average age of U.S. farmers is 58.

"By decreasing their tax burden, House Bill 95 incentivizes retiring farmers to recruit beginning farmers to take over their operations," Manchester said. "This program also sets beginning farmers up for success by giving them an opportunity to learn more about the financial management of a farm operation."

The challenges facing young farmers might seem overwhelming, Lightbody said.

"This bill creates a pilot program to help with the transition from older farmers who wish to retire but want to transition their farm to young Ohioans who wish to get started as farmers," Lightbody said. "Today's bipartisan vote demonstrates our shared commitment to Ohio's farmers. I hope that the bill will move expeditiously through the Senate and on to the governor's desk this time so farmers in the near future will benefit from the opportunity."

OEFFA feels confident the bill will pass, Lipstreu said. It has overwhelming support from farming organizations in Ohio, commodity groups and financial institutions.

We've been pushing the idea for this kind of tax credit for about three years now," she said. "One thing that is positive is that we're sixth in the nation in the number of beginning farmers."

OEFFA is in its fourth year of a USDA Beginning Farmer and Rancher Development Program grant, Lipstreu said. The organization provides business planning for existing beginning farmers as well as a host of other educational beginning farmer programs and resources.

"We see first-hand the challenges that these beginning farmers face as they are trying to get started," she explained. "Access to and secure tenure on affordable high-quality farmland is the no. 1 challenge young farmers are facing."

H.B. 95 passed the House Agriculture and Rural Development Committee with a unanimous vote. The Ohio Farm Bureau, OEFFA, Ohio Corn & Wheat Growers Association and Ohio Soybean Association also support the bill.

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ics, said prices are still very good especially when considering how low they had been in previous years. The harvest price for soybeans, for example, is predicted to be a solid \$13.31 per bushel.

Langemeier said there's a 20 percent chance based on current market data for corn prices to drop from \$5.30 per bushel presently to a more breakeven \$4.40 per bushel in the coming months. The odds for a similar price drop for soybeans are about 30 percent.

Langemeier said farmers should also keep an eye on rising inflation when de ciding whether to take advantage of cur rent prices. Inflation on farm inputs over the past 10 years averaged less than two-percent annually.

A recent survey found one-third of farmers believe their operational costs over the next 12 months will go up by least 8 percent. "Inflation is a real concern for agricultural producers right now," Langemeier said.







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Feeder Cattle:	500(80.1%)	325(75.2%)	473(86.8%)
Slaughter Cattle: Replacement Cattle:	123(19.7%) 1(0.2%)	104(24.1%) 3(0.7%)	64(11.7%) 8(1.5%)

No market comparisons with last Monday due to Holiday; however very good demand for all classes today. Supply included: 80% Feeder Cattle (20% Steers, 57% Heifers, 23% Bulls); 20% Slaughter Cattle (86% Cows, 14% Bulls); 0% Replacement Cattle (100% Stock Cows). Feeder cattle supply over 600 lbs was

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5	267-285	278	191.00-195.00	193.46 Value Added	Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
2	305	305	184.00	184.00 Value Added	1	690	690	18.00	128.00
4	375-380	378	178.00-190.00	184.04 Value Added	1	990	990	90.00	90.00
1	400	400	158.00	158.00	BULLS	- Medium and	Large 1-2	(Per Cwt / Actual \	Nt)
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2	460-485	473	154.00-159.00	156.57	1	240	240	160.00	160.00
6	455-475	462	160.00-170.00	166.85 Value Added	2	292	292	167.00	167.00
4	510-520	515	152.00-161.00	156.46	1	285	285	192.50	192.50 Value Added
11	507-542	525	165.00-175.50	172.09 Value Added	6	318-340	324	162.50-165.00	163.42
1	575	575	155.00	155.00	3	311	311	174.00	174.00 Value Added
2	582	582	167.00	167.00 Value Added	2	360-390	375	155.00-167.00	161.24
10	600-630	611	144.00-149.00	147.69	1	390	390	173.00	173.00 Value Added
12	605-638	630	151.00-166.00	159.96 Value Added	2	435-445	440	146.00-156.00	150.94
2	675-680	678	146.00-149.00	147.49	1	465	465	149.00	149.00
3	650-660	657	150.00-154.00	152.00 Value Added	5	500-545	520	147.00-155.00	150.06
9	704	704	145.00	145.00 Value Added	3	560-595	580	148.00-152.00	149.69
4	750-785	776	142.00-145.00	144.28 Value Added	1	615	615	130.00	130.00
1	865	865	130.00	130.00	2	610-630	620	146.00-147.00	146.49 Fancy
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1	215	215	160.00	160.00 Fancy	5	700-745	722	121.00-129.00	124.75
4	283	283	167.50	167.50 Value Added	3	788	788	122.00	122.00
3	310-317	315	156.00-161.00	159.36 Value Added	11	805-825	808	115.00-124.00	119.95
2	355-390	373	143.00-144.00	143.52	3	855-877	870	115.00-119.00	117.69
1	375	375	145.00	145.00 Value Added	6	920-935	931	94.00-108.00	102.68

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Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price					
480	480	131.00	131.00					
505-540	523	140.00-142.00	140.97					
550	550	131.00-145.00	137.33					
671-695	681	123.00-126.00	124.77					
762	762	100.00	100.00					
950	950	95.00	95.00					
HTER CATI	TLE .							
	480 505-540 550 671-695 762 950 8HTER CATT	480 480 505-540 523 550 550 671-695 681 762 762 950 950 HTER CATTLE	480 480 131.00 505-540 523 140.00-142.00 550 550 150 0131.00-145.00 671-695 681 123.00-126.00 762 762 100.00 950 950 950					

COWS - Breaker 75-80% (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

13	1145-1790	1433	67.00-75.00	72.50	Average				
12	1390-1840	1607	76.00-83.00	79.07	High				
1	1880	1880	65.00	65.00	Low				
COWS - Boner 80-85% (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)									
Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	Dressing				
13	1050-1465	1212	68.00-75.00	72.75	Average				
26	1105-1575	1305	75.00-83.00	78.12	High				
2	1055-1070	1063	65.00-66.00	65.50	Low				
COWS - Lean 85-90% (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)									
Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	Dressing				
7	865-1255	1065	65.00-68.00	67.21	Average				
11	885-1385	1069	69.00-75.00	72.57	High				
4	910-1175	1065	53.00-63.00	58.31	Low				
BULLS -	1-2 (Per Cwt /	Actual Wt)							
Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	Dressing				
1	1545	1545	95.00	95.00	Average				
12	1225-2205	1671	103.00-115.00	110.08	High				
1	1195	1195	80.00	80.00	Low				
REPLACEMENT CATTLE									
STOCK C	OWS - Mediur	n and Large	1-2 (Per Cwt / A	ctual Wt)					
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Head Wt Range Avg Wt Price Range Avg Price Dressing

<u>Age Stage Head Wt Range Avg Wt Price Range</u> **Avg Price** 2-8 94.00 995 Please Note: The above USDA LPGMN price report is reflective of the majority of classes and grades of livestock offered for sale. There may be instances where some sales do

not fit within reporting guidelines and therefore will not be included in the report. Prices are reported on an FOB basis, unless otherwise noted. Explanatory Notes:

Stage (Cattle) - Represents pregnancy stage (O = open; T1 = 1st Trimester, 1 to 3 $\,$ months; T1-2 = 1st/2nd trimester, 1 to 6 months; T2 = 2nd Trimester, 4 to 6 months; T2-3 = 2nd/3rd Trimester, 4 to 9 months; T3 = 3rd Trimester, 7 to 9 months; T1-3 = all trimesters, 1 to 9 months; E = Exposed; B = Bred)

Age - Numerical representation of age in years. Source: USDA AMS Livestock, Poultry & Grain Market News KY Dept of Ag Market News Bill Holleran

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Daily Livestock Slaughter Under Federal Inspection

	Friday, July 16	, 2021		
	CATTLE	CALVES	HOGS	SHEEP
Friday 07/16/2021	118,000	1,000	427,000	4,000
Week ago	120,000	1,000	463,000	7,000
Year ago (act)	115,000	2,000	461,000	6,000
Week to date	597,000	6,000	2,268,000	34,000
Same Period Last Week	487,000	4,000	1,868,000	30,000
Same Period Last Year (act)	582,000	8,000	2,318,000	37,000
Saturday 07/17/2021	56,000	0	12,000	0
Week ago	88,000	0	55,000	1,000
Year ago (act)	64,000	0	198,000	0
Week to date	653,000	6,000	2,280,000	34,000
Same Period Last Week	575,000	4,000	1,923,000	31,000
Same Period Last Year* (act)	646,000	9,000	2,517,000	37,000
2021 Year to Date	17,938,00	191,000	69,287,000	1,048,000
2020 *Year to Date	17,136,00	253,000	69,439,000	1,046,000
Percent change	4.7%	-24.5%	-0.2%	0.1%
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2021 *Totals subject to revision 2020 *Totals adjusted to reflect NASS revisions

Yearly totals may not add due to rounding Steer and Heifer Previous day

Cow and Bull

Thursday 94,000 25,000
Revised Thursday Hog Slaughter...461,000 New Week to Date...1,841,000

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July 19, 2021								
Corn	Delivery Month Sep 21 Dec 21 Mar 22 May 22 Jul 22	Last \$ 562-2 \$ 558-4 \$ 565-2 \$ 569-0 \$ 568-2	Change + \$ 6-2 + \$ 6-4 + \$ 5-6 + \$ 5-4 + \$ 4-6	Wheat	Delivery Month Sep 21 Dec 21 Mar 22 May 22 Jul 22	Last \$ 700-0 \$ 708-0 \$ 713-0 \$ 715-0 \$ 699-6	Change + \$ 7-4 + \$ 8-2 + \$ 8-2 + \$ 8-2 + \$ 4-0	
Soybeans	Aug 21 Sept 21 Nov 21 Jan 22 Mar 22	\$ 1453-6 \$ 1407-2 \$ 1394-0 \$ 1396-0 \$ 1378-0	- \$ 1-0 + \$ 1-2 + \$ 2-2 + \$ 1-6 + \$ 2-0	Oats Live	Sep 21 Dec 21 Aug 21	\$ 438'0 \$ 429'4 \$119.625	+ \$ 2'0 - \$ 2'6 - \$ 0.550	
Soybean Meal	Aug 21 Sep 21 Oct 21 Dec 21 Jan 22	\$ 364.3 \$ 364.7 \$ 364.8 \$ 368.6 \$ 368.8	+ \$ 1.1 + \$ 1.7 + \$ 2.0 + \$ 2.4 + \$ 2.7	Cattle	Oct 21 Dec 21 Feb 22 Apr 22	\$124.675 \$130.625 \$135.725 \$137.925	- \$ 0.925 - \$ 0.700 - \$ 0.525 - \$ 0.550	
Soybean Oil	Aug 21 Sep 21 Oct 21 Dec 21 Jan 22	\$ 67.96 \$ 66.16 \$ 65.12 \$ 64.39 \$ 63.54	- \$ 0.35 - \$ 0.60 - \$ 0.71 - \$ 0.83 - \$ 0.83	Lean Hogs	Aug 21 Oct 21 Dec 21 Feb 22 Apr 22	\$105.375 \$ 90.500 \$ 83.800 \$ 86.875 \$ 89.025	- \$ 0.275 - \$ 0.250 - \$ 0.075 - \$ 0.025 + \$ 0.175	

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Missouri Direct Hay Report **Direct Hay Weighted Average Report** For week ending Friday, July 16, 2021

Haying is slowing down now as most producers are done There is always some that bale in a bit of fall hay and of course the guys making alfalfa are still going but the majority of hay has been made for the year now. As of the last report on Monday 82 percent of other hay and 49 percent of 2nd cutting alfalfa is complete. Alfalfa is over 20 points behind last year and the five year average due to weather and a late

The big or rather bad news this week was occurred in Northeast MO where several producers were impacted by severe weather. Several thousand acres of corn were lost and reports of some barns and grain bins also being damaged by extremely high straight line winds. The supply of hay is moderate and demand is light to moderate and prices mostly steady. The Missouri Department of Agriculture has a hay directory visit http://mda.mo.gov/abd/haydirectory/ for listings of hay http://agebb.missouri.edu/haylst/

HAY (Conventional)

(*********************************	Price Range				
Alfalfa - Supreme (Ask/Per Ton) Medium Square 3x3	200.00-250.00				
Alfalfa - Supreme (Ask/Per Bale) Small Square	8.00-12.00				
Alfalfa - Premium (Ask/Per Ton) Medium Square 3x3	160.00-200.00				
Alfalfa - Good (Ask/Per Ton) Large Round	120.00-160.00				
Alfalfa - Good (Ask/Per Bale) Small Square	5.00-9.00				
Alfalfa - Fair (Ask/Per Ton) Large Round	100.00-125.00				
Alfalfa/Grass Mix - Good/Premium (Ask/Pe Small Square	6.00-8.00				
Mixed Grass - Good/Premium (Ask/Per To Large Round	n) 80.00-140.00				
Mixed Grass - Fair/Good (Ask/Per Ton) Large Round	60.00-100.00				
Mixed Grass - Fair/Good (Ask/Per Bale) Small Square	4.00-6.00				
Mixed Grass - Fair (Ask/Per Bale) Large Round	25.00-55.00				
STRAW (Conventional) Wheat - (Ask/Per Bale)					
Small Square	4.00-6.00				
Source: USDA AMS Livesto					

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Weekly National Sheep Summary

For the Week Ending Friday, July 16, 2021

Weekly Trends: Compared to last week slaughter lambs mostly 3.00 to as much as 30.00 higher; slaughter ewes steady to 25.00 higher; feeder lambs 3.00-30.00 higher with most advance on lighter lambs. At San Angelo, TX 11,006 head sold in a two day sale. No sales in Equity Cooperative Auction. In direct trading slaughter ewes and feeder lambs were not tested. 3072 lamb carcasses traded with no trend due to confidentiality. All sheep sold per hundred weight (CWT) unless specified.

Slaughter Lambs: Choice and Prime 2-3:

wooled and shorn 100-135 lbs San Angelo: 230.00-240.00.

New Holland PA: wooled and shorn 100-145 lbs 255.00-300.00, few 305.00-330.00. Ft. Collins, CO: wooled and shorn 100-120 lbs no

South Dakota: wooled and shorn 100-145 lbs 279.00-295.00; 150-160 lbs 277.50-

Kalona, IA: wooled and shorn 100-145 lbs 254.00-290.00; 157 lbs 265.00. Billings, MT: wooled and shorn 100-125 lbs no

Missouri: wooled and shorn 100-150 lbs no test.

Equity Coop:

New Holland:

no sales. Slaughter Lambs: Choice and Prime 1-2:

San Angelo: hair 40-60 lbs 272.00-302.00: 60-70 lbs 272.00-306.00; 70-80 lbs 272.00-300.00, few 300.00-314.00; 80-90 lbs 270.00-300.00, few 302.00-316.00; 90-110 lbs 262.00-302.00. wooled and shorn 50-60 lbs 288.00-294.00; 60-70 lbs 284.00-

lbs 275.00-310.00.

318.00; 70-80 lbs 284.00-306.00; 80-90 lbs 272.00-309.00; 90-100 lbs 268.00-294.00, few 302.00-306.00. wooled and shorn 40-50 lbs 270.00-305.00; 50-60 lbs 280.00-330.00, few 345.00-350.00; 60-70 lbs 275.00-320.00, few 330.00-345.00; 70-80 lbs 270.00-317.00. few 320.00-345.00: 80-90 lbs 282.00-330.00; 90-100 lbs 270.00-320.00, few 322.00-345.00, hair 40-50 lbs 245.00-275.00; 50-60 lbs 265.00-295.00, few 300.00-315.00; 60-70 lbs 275.00-300.00, few 305.00-330.00; 70-80 lbs 280.00-315.00, few 340.00; 80-90 lbs 280.00-310.00, few 315.00-320.00; 90-100

Ft. Collins:

no sale. Kalona:

wooled and shorn 40-50 lbs 260.00-265.00; 50-60 lbs 240.00-247.50; 60-70 lbs 257.50-277.50; 70-80 lbs 255.00-287.50, few 290.00: 80-90 lbs 270.00-296.00: 90-100 lbs 262.50-286.00. hair 40-50 lbs 245.00-272.50; 50-60 lbs 237.50-244.00; 60-70 lbs 265.00-277.50; 70-80 lbs 272.50-292.50; 80-90 lbs 271.00-287.50; 90-100 lbs 274.00-

South Dakota:

wooled and shorn 60-70 lbs 270.00-287.50; 70-80 lbs 287.50-300.00; 80-90 lbs 265.00-295.00; 90-100 lbs 275.00-300.00. hair 69 lbs 255.00; 80 lbs 245.00; 90-100 lbs 235.00-

Billings

wooled and shorn 65 lbs 264.00; 73 lbs 250.00: 80 lbs 257.50, hair 70-80 lbs 253.00-274.00: 97 lbs 250.00.

Missouri: Slaughter Ewes: San Angelo:

Good 3-4 (very fleshy) no test; Good

2-3 (fleshy) 99.00-120.00; Utility and Good 1-3 (medium flesh) 140.00-165.00; Utility 1-2 (thin) 120.00-140.00; Cull and Utility 1-2 (very thin) 90.00-114.00; Cull 1 80.00. New Holland:

Good 3-4 (very fleshy) no test; Good 2-3 (fleshy) 130.00-197.00; Utility 1-2 (thin) 100.00-115.00; Cull 1 no

Ft. Collins: Good 3-4 (very fleshy) no sale; Good 2-3 (fleshy) no sale; Utility 1-2 (thin) no sale: Cull 1 no sale

Good3-4(veryfleshy)76.00-102.50; South Dakota: Good 2-3 (fleshy) 86.00-115.00; Utility 1-2 (thin) 94.00-115.00; Cull 1

95.00-107.00.

Kalona Good 3-4 (very fleshy) no test; Good 2-3 (fleshy) 95.00-122.00; Utility and Good 1-3 (medium flesh) no test; Utility 1-2 (thin) 100.00-115.00, hair

Billings:

Good 3-4 (very fleshy) 61.00-65.00; Good 2-3 (fleshy) 58.00-71.00, hair 125.00; Utility 1-2 (thin) 67.00-78.50; Cull 1 49.00-52.50.

Good 3-4 (very fleshy) no test; Good Missouri:

2-3 (fleshy) no test; Utility and Good 1-3 (medium flesh) no test: Cull and Utility 1-2 (very thin) no test No sales

Direct Trading: Feeder Lambs: Medium and Large 1-2: no test.

San Angelo: Ft. Collins: South Dakota:

30-40 lbs 320.00-330.00; 40-50 lbs 276.00-315.00; 50-60 lbs 285.00-

300.00; 60-70 lbs 272.00-297.00; 70-80 lbs 266.00-302.50; 80-90 lbs 262.00-283.00; 90-100 lbs 274.00-280.00; 100-105 lbs 263.00-277.00; 115 lbs 265.00; 120-125 lbs 253.00-255.00. 40-50 lbs 247.50-265.00.

Kalona: Billings

49 lbs 280.00: 50-60 lbs 275.00-280.00: 60-70 lbs 270.00-284.00. few 292.00; 70-80 lbs 274.00-289.00; 80-90 lbs 261.00-287.00, few 289.00-291.00; 90-100 lbs 261.00-289.00, few 291.00; 100-110 lbs 261.00-283.00, few 286.50; 110-115 lbs 252.50-286.00; 120-130 lbs 267.00-269.00.

Missouri: Equity Coop:

South Dakota:

no sales. Replacement Ewes: Medium and Large 1-2: mixed age hair 100-130 lbs 178.00-San Angelo: 200.00/cwt.

no test.

Ft. Collins: no test.

yearlings 190.00-205.00/head, others 155 lbs 133.00/cwt; young 180 lbs 99.00/cwt; middle age 170-195 lbs 86.00-97.00/cwt.

Kalona no test.

Billings: yearlings 115-135 lbs 172.50-190.00/cwt; young 140-145 lbs 130.00-138.00/cwt; middle age 200 lbs 75.00/cwt; young hair 115 lbs 130.00/cwt.

no test.

Sheep and lambs slaughter under federal inspection for the week to date totaled 34,000 compared with 31,000 last week and 37,000 last year.

Source: USDA AMS LPG Market News, San Angelo, Texas Rebecca Sauder, 325-653-1778 www.ams.usda.gov/lpgmn

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Grain Report for Friday, July 16, 2021

FUTURE SETTLEMENTS

Closing Settlement Prices (¢/bu) as of 7/9/2021

556.00 (Sep 21) 552.00 (Dec 21) 559.50 (Mar 22) 563.50 (May 22) 563.50 (Jul 22) 510.75 (Sep 22) 497.25 (Dec 22) 1454.75 (Aug 21) 1406.00 (Sep 21) 1391.75 (Nov 21) 1394.25 (Jan 22) 1376.00 (Mar 22) 1369.50 (May 22) 1366.25 (Jul 22) Soybeans Wheat 692.50 (Sep 21) 699.75 (Dec 21) 704.75 (Mar 22) 706.75 (May 22) 695.75 (Jul 22) 697.75 (Sep 22) 703.25 (Dec 22) White Oats 436.00 (Sep 21) 432.25 (Dec 21) 428.50 (Mar 22) 428.25 (May 22) 426.75 (Jul 22) 428.75 (Sep 22) 417.75 (Dec 22) 651.50 (Sep 21) 662.00 (Dec 21) 669.00 (Mar 22) 671.75 (May 22) 661.50 (Jul 22) 663.25 (Sep 22) 669.50 (Dec 22) Wheat Wheat 917.25 (Sep 21) 905.50 (Dec 21) 893.00 (Mar 22) 879.00 (May 22) 863.75 (Jul 22) 764.75 (Sep 22) 763.50 (Dec 22)

US #2 WHITE CORN (BULK)

Barge Loading Elevators - Conventional							
Region/Location	Basic (¢/Bu)	Basis Change	Price (\$/Bu)	Price Change	<u>Average</u>		
Ohio River - Lower KY	30.00Z	UNCH	5.8200	DN 0.0425	5.8200		
Purchase	70.00U	UNCH	6.2600	DN 0.0825	6.2600		
Purchase	20.00Z to 25.00Z	UNCH	5.7200-5.7700	DN 0.0425	5.7450		

IIS #2 VELLOW CODM (BILLK)

	US #2 TELLOW COKN (BULK)							
Country Elevators - Co	nventional							
Region/Location	Basic (¢/Bu)	Basis Change	Price (\$/Bu)	Price Change	<u>Average</u>			
Purchase	50.00U to 65.00U	UNCH	6.0600-6.2100	DN 0.0825	6.1350			
Purchase	-10.00Z to 0.00Z	UNCH	5.4200-5.5200	DN 0.0425	5.4700			
Green River	65.00U	UNCH	6.2100	DN 0.0825	6.2100			
Green River	0.00Z	UNCH	5.5200	DN 0.0425	5.5200			
Pennyrile	85.00U to 95.00U	UNCH	6.4100-6.5100	DN 0.0825	6.4600			
Pennyrile	-15.00Z to 0.00Z	UNCH	5.3700-5.5200	DN 0.0425	5.4450			
Louisville	95.00U to 105.00U	UNCH	6.5100-6.6100	DN 0.0825	6.5600			
Louisville	-18.00Z	UNCH	5.3400	DN 0.0425	5.3400			
Bluegrass	105.00Z	UNCH	6.5700	DN 0.0425	6.5700			
Bluegrass	-25.00Z	UNCH	5.2700	DN 0.0425	5.2700			
Barge Loading Elevato	rs - Conventional							
Region/Location	Basic (¢/Bu)	Basis Change	Price (\$/Bu)	Price Change	<u>Average</u>			
Ohio River - Upper KY	101.00U	UNCH	6.5700	DN 0.0825	6.5700			
Ohio River - Upper KY	-12.00Z	UNCH	5.4000	DN 0.0425	5.4000			
Ohio River - Lower KY	70.00U to 107.00U	UNCH	6.2600-6.6300	DN 0.0825	6.4275			
Ohio River - Lower KY	-7.00Z to -5.00Z	UNCH-DN 2.00	5.4500-5.4700	DN 0.0425-DN 0.0625	5.4600			
Purchase	60.00U to 80.00U	UNCH	6.1600-6.3600	DN 0.0825	6.2600			
Purchase	-9.00Z to 7.00U	DN 1.00-UNCH	5.4300-5.6300	DN 0.0525-DN 0.0825	5.5475			

US #2 SORGHUM (BULK)

Region/Location	Basic (¢/Bu)	Basis Change	Price (\$/Bu)	Price Change	<u>Average</u>
Ohio River - Lower KY	50.00Z	UNCH	6.0200	DN 0.0425	6.0200
Purchase	49.00Z	UNCH	6.0100	DN 0.0425	6.0100

US #1 SOYBEANS (BULK)

Country Elevators - Co	nventional					
Region/Location	Basic (¢/Bu)	Basic (¢/Bu) Basis Change		Price Change	<u>Average</u>	
Purchase	20.00Q to 80.00X		14.7175-14.8675	UP 0.0425-UP 0.0725	14.7775	
Purchase	-5.00X to 0.00X	UNCH	13.8675-13.9175	UP 0.1175	13.8925	
Green River	50.00X	UNCH	14.4175	UP 0.1175	14.4175	
Green River	-30.00X	UNCH	13.6175	UP 0.1175	13.6175	
Pennyrile	-10.00Q to 5.00Q	UNCH	14.4475-14.5975	UP 0.0725	14.5225	
Pennyrile	-35.00X to -25.00X	UNCH	13.5675-13.6675	UP 0.1175	13.6175	
Louisville	-22.00Q	UNCH	14.3275	UP 0.0725	14.3275	
Louisville	-66.00X	UNCH	13.2575	UP 0.1175	13.2575	
Bluegrass	60.00X	UNCH	14.5175	UP 0.1175	14.5175	
Bluegrass	-45.00X	UNCH	13.4675	UP 0.1175	13.4675	
Barge Loading Elevato	rs - Conventional					
Region/Location	Basic (¢/Bu)	Basis Change	Price (\$/Bu)	Price Change	<u>Average</u>	
Ohio River - Upper KY	33.00Q	DN 1.00	14.8775	UP 0.0625	14.8775	
Ohio River - Upper KY	-14.00X	DN 1.00	13.7775	UP 0.1075	13.7775	
Ohio River - Lower KY	10.00Q to 110.00X	UNCH	14.6475-15.0175	UP 0.0725-UP 0.1175	14.7875	
Ohio River - Lower KY	-6.00X to 2.00X	UP 2.00-UNCH	13.8575-13.9375	UP 0.1375-UP 0.1175	13.9025	
Purchase	30.00Q to 31.00Q	UNCH	14.8475-14.8575	UP 0.0725	14.8525	
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Wheat production down due to weather according to WASD

Very few changes were made to the US corn or soybean balance sheets in the July WASDE report. Corn yield was left unchanged at 179.5 bushels per acre for a 15.16 billion bu (bbu) crop, up 160 million bu (mbu) from June on higher acreage. Old crop carryout decreased 100 mbu from the lower June stocks data, but this elevated

production was enough to push new crop ending stocks to 1.43 bbu, roughly 80 mbu more than a month ago.

Soybean production was left totally unchanged from last month with the yield at 50.8 bushels per acre and the crop size at 4.4 bbu. No changes were made to the overall demand side of the soybean balance sheets either. This left

the United States with ending stocks estimates of 135 mbu on old crop and 155 mbu for new crop. This was disappointing to trade as reductions were predicted.

We did see a change to the US wheat balance sheets, however. Total US wheat production decreased 150 mbu primarily from the drought that is impacting the spring crop. This put total US wheat production at 1.75 bbu. This decline carried through the balance sheets to give us ending stocks of 665 mbu for the 2021/22 marketing

mbu to an 844 mbu total.

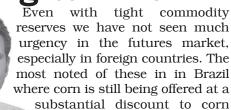
The USDA did make sizable changes to the new crop world balance sheets. World corn supply at the end of the 2021/22 marketing year is now projected at 291.2 million metric tons (mmt), up 2 mmt from June. Soybean ending stocks are projected at 94.5 mmt which is also a 2 mmt increase from a month ago. The world wheat supply is expected to shrink 5 mmt due to the smaller US crop and total 291.7

year, down 105 mbu from last month.

Final ending stocks for the 2020/21

marketing year decreased a minimal 8

US meat production was also updated with minimal changes as well. The USDA pegged beef production at 27.91 billion pounds for 2021 and 27.33 billion pounds for 2022. These were mostly steady from June. Pork production is estimated at 28.15 billion pounds from 2021 and 28.21 billion pounds for 2022. The 2022 number was a sizable 43-million-pound decrease from last month. The average steer value for 2022 increased 75 cents to \$122.25 per hundredweight and the hog value was left unchanged at \$56.25 per hundredweight.



from the United States. Argentina is offering corn at a lower value than both Brazil and the US. Given the much smaller corn crop in Brazil we

would expect to see higher values. This lack of competition is capping US corn futures.

MARKET ANALYSIS

By Karl Setzer

Brazilian economists are predicting an ongoing increase in commodity production, and in turn, believes the country will own a larger share of the global market. The farm economy keeps improving in Brazil, mainly from elevated trade with the world's leading importer China. This building demand is allowing Brazilian farmers to expand production and improve farming practices. It is believed that within 10 years Brazil will be planting 200 million acres of corn and soybeans compared to a current 170 million. Brazil is also projecting a 10 million ton increase to meat production over the same period.

This increase in Brazilian production has started to impact land values in the country as well. Farmland values in Brazil have increased 30% in the past 12 months and are now at their highest level in the past twenty years. High commodity values have added to the increase in land values as well. These higher values have not deterred buying interest though, mainly because same as in the United States interest rates are cheap in Brazil will encourages spending.

Some analysts doubt the predicted expansion in South America, however. These increases will depend heavily upon weather and some forecasters do not believe the current drought in the country will be remedied prior to the next planting season, including the Brazilian National Weather Service. Their opinion is the rainy season that typically begins in September will be delayed given current models, and this will again delay soybean planting as well as next year's Safrinha crop. While this is possible, it is very early for the possibility to influence market direction

Trade is also monitoring Brazil's new crop soybean sales. At the present time Brazilian farmers have sold just 19% of their projected 2021/22 soybean production. While this is above the 14% five-year average, it is well below the 36% of last year's forward bookings. Brazilian farmers have also been hesitant to market their remaining 2020/21 bushels, with cumulative sales at 76%. This is also above average for this time of year, but less than sold a year ago. Thoughts that soybeans will continue to appreciate are keep sales depressed from last year's pace.

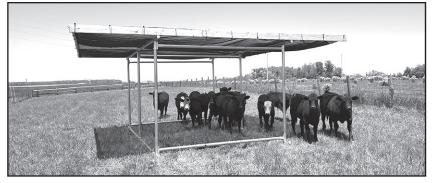
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June hog inventory down, but overall numbers rose 1 percent since March

By Doug Schmitz Iowa Correspondent

DES MOINES, Iowa - Although last month's hog inventory was down for the second-quarter of 2021, overall numbers rose 1 percent since March, according to the June 1 USDA Quarterly Hogs & Pigs Report.

"The pigs per litter is down .5 percent this quarter, which is different than the pre-report estimates," said Tyler Cozzens, agricultural economist at the Livestock Marketing Information Center in Lakewood, Colo. "The March data was 10.66, which is quite a bit lower than normal trends, which (dragged) the pigs per litter number. It jumped back up in April and May."

Cozzens joined Lee Schulz, Iowa State University associate professor of agricultural economics; Kevin Grier, president of Kevin Grier Market Analysis and Consulting in Guelph, Ontario, Canada; and Steve Meyer, economist with Partners for Production Agriculture in Stillwater, Okla., in a June 24 webinar with reporters.

Sponsored by the National Pork Board and the Pork Checkoff in Des Moines, the report said, as of June 1, there were 75.7 million hogs and pigs on U.S. farms, down 2 percent from June 2020, but up 1 percent from March 1.

The report said the U.S. breeding inventory, at 6.23 million head, was down 2 percent from last year, but up slightly from the previous quarter. The market hog inventory, at 69.4 million head, was down 2 percent from last year, but up 1 percent from last quarter.

In addition, the March-May 2021 pig crop, at 33.6 million head, was down 3 percent from 2020. Sows farrowing during this period totaled 3.07 million head, down 3 percent from 2020.

The report said sows farrowed during this quarter represented 49 percent of the breeding herd. The average pigs saved per litter was 10.95 for the March-May period, compared to 11 million last year.

"There is a lack of revision in the report," Schulz said. "They accounted for most of the changes in December 2020, which helps from a market reaction standpoint and interpretation of the report.

"Year-over-year change is about 11 percent down, all the way to up about 11 percent up in that June/ August farrowing intention numbers," he added. "What that suggests is that there's a lot of possibility for change in the industry. Obviously, there is a lot of economic opportunities, and that has big implications for inventories."

The report said U.S. hog producers intend to have 3.11 million sows farrow during the June-August 2021 quarter, down 4 percent from the actual farrowings during the same period one year earlier, and down 5 percent from the same period two years earlier.

report added intended farrowings for September-November 2021, at 3.08 million sows, are down 2 percent from the same period one year earlier, and down 4 percent from the same period two years earlier.

"Specifically on the feed cost side of things, I think you're looking at these lower farrowing intentions - actually lower than pre-report estimates - (that) kind of points to these producers taking a little more of a measured approach to production moving forward, and maybe looking at how these things will play out in the markets," Cozzens said.

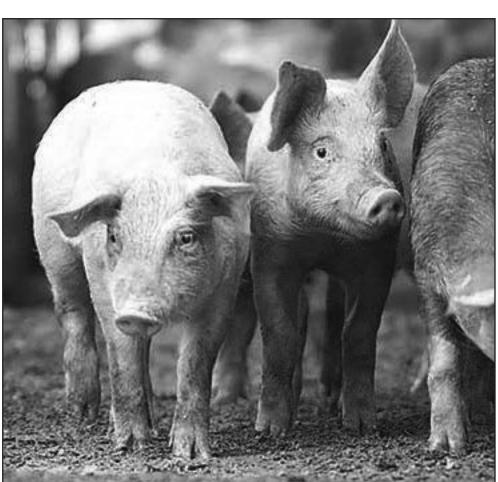
The report said Iowa hog producers accounted for the nation's largest inventory, at 24.2 million head, but down 100,000 head from the previous year. Minnesota had the second largest inventory at 9.3 million head, and North Carolina had the third largest, with 8.3 million head.

Iowa's March-May 2021 quarterly pig crop was 5.81 million head, down 3 percent from the previous quarter, but 2 percent above last year. A total of 510,000 sows farrowed during this quarter. The average pigs saved per litter was 11.4 million for the quarter.

In Illinois, total inventory of all hogs and pigs was 5.5 million head, up 5 percent from March 1, and up 3 percent from last year. The breeding inventory, at 650,000 head, was up 70,000 from the previous quarter, and up 80,000 from last year. The market hog inventory, at 4.85 million head, was up 4 percent from last quarter, and up 1 percent from last year.

In Indiana, total hog and pig inventory was estimated at 4.4 million

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Above: Although last month's hog inventory was down for second-quarter 2021, overall numbers rose 1 percent since March, according to the June 1 USDA Quarterly Hogs & Pigs Report (photo courtesy of the Iowa Farm Bureau Federation).

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immigrant farm workers in Colorado limit the maximum number of hours will soon have state minimum wage, overtime and labor organizing rights under a bill signed into law Friday by Democratic Gov. Jared Polis.

Polis also planned to sign into law a measure to create a state fund to help indigent immigrants get legal representation in deportation proceedings. The twin measures are part of a raft of bills passed by the Democrat-controlled legislature to boost immigrant rights.

Under the farm workers law, agricultural business owners must provide employee housing that conforms to pandemic guidelines issued by the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. They must

DENVER (AP) - Thousands of provide meal and rest breaks and worked by their employees.

Farm workers in several U.S. states have collective bargaining rights to some extent - rights originally denied them on the basis of skin color under U.S. labor laws first adopted in the 1930s. Colorado now joins that group.

Under pressure from agricultural interests, sponsors of the legislation dropped language mandating that farm workers immediately get the state minimum wage, currently \$12.32 an hour, and overtime for those working more than 40 hours a week. The law directs the state labor department to devise pay, overtime and maximum working hour rules.

Hog Inventory

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head, unchanged from a year ago. The breeding hog inventory, at 260,000 head, was up 4 percent from last June. The market hog inventory, at 4.14 million head, was down slightly from last year. The average pigs saved per litter for the March to May quarter was 10.9 million, compared to 10.6 million from the same period last vear.

In Michigan, total hog and pig inventory was estimated at 1.26 million head, up 80,000 head from a year ago. The breeding hog inventory, at 115,000 head, was down 5,000 from last June. The market hog inventory, at 1.15 million head, was up 8 percent from last year. The average pigs saved per litter for the March to May quarter was 10.7 million, compared to 10.6 million from the same period last year.

In Ohio, total hog and pig inventory was estimated at 2.60 million head, down 150,000 head from a year ago. The breeding hog inventory, at 190,000 head, was down 20,000 from last June. The market hog inventory, at 2.41 million head, was down 5 percent from last year. The average pigs saved per litter for the March to May quarter was 10.4 million, compared to 11.1 million from the same period last year. (Kentucky and Tennessee's total hog and pig numbers were not recorded in the report.)

Meyer said the June numbers should ease slaughter concerns in the fourth quarter this year, adding one big takeaway from the report was not just the pig crop, but the pigs per litter number.

"What it really tells me is that (in) the fourth quarter, this pulls our projected slaughter back significantly for the fourth quarter because of those lightweight inventories," he said. "I think they probably reflect some losses from disease challenges over the last quarter; we didn't know how much it would pick up.

"And that is reflected some in the pigs per litter at 10.95 (million)," he added. "I thought that would go back up, as did the analysts; they had an 11-plus (million) leading into the report. I kind of thought that's where we were headed. So, instead of half a percent larger than last year, it

comes in a half percent less. Grier said, "I revised my slaughter forecast lower after seeing the report because of one revision to the pig crop and reassessment of the actual pig crop from March to May, compared to what I was expecting.'

Meyer said the data from the June report could be good news for prices to close out this year. "I think that should be supportive for the fourthquarter prices here," he said. "It's kind of one of those things where the top line numbers were no surprise at all. But there are details in there that were kind of odd."

He said exports held on better than most analysts expected, but added the star is domestic demand.

"Domestic demand has been remarkably strong," he said. "And it looks to me like it's hanging in there pretty well. You might remember last year I said there could be some permanent advantages coming out of consumers doing a lot more comparison of the value of pork to the value of beef to the value of chicken at retail.

"We were able to put our product in front of them for direct value comparisons," he added. "I think we did very well on that. That's one of the reasons that our demand remains very strong now.'

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Halfway through the Western Lake Erie Collaborative Agreement

By Celeste Baumgartner Ohio Correspondent

COLUMBUS, Ohio – In 2015, as part of the Western Lake Erie Collaborative Agreement, the state of Ohio committed to reducing nutrient loading into Lake Erie by 40 percent by 2025. Michigan and Ontario, Canada, made similar pledges.

Like many others, Putnam County farmer Jeff Duling is trying his darndest to keep the water clean.

And Ohio is doing its darndest to meet that reduction goal. Jordan Hoewischer, Ohio Farm Bureau director of water quality and research, thinks there's a good possibility that the state will succeed.

"We're making strides in understanding what's going on and what needs to be done," Hoewischer said. "It took a little while to get our bearings on which conservation practices need to go on the fields to reduce those nutrients."

Ohio has seen a slight decrease in nutrients over the last four years and the numbers are starting to trend in that direction. "We're optimistic that it's going to hit that goal or at least get close," Hoewischer said.

Ohio farmers have installed conservation practices on their fields using programs like H2Ohio and the Natural Resources Conservation Services (NRCS) Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP) and others. They have ramped up the numbers of acres that are under conservation practices in the Western Lake Erie Basin.

How does anyone know any of this is working? Heidelberg University monitors the amount of phosphorous that goes into the lake. Researchers have historical data. They can track those numbers over years. They saw the numbers increase year over year as nutrients started climbing and now they're seeing those numbers climb down.

"Weather plays a huge role in how drastic of an effect some of these nutrients have on the water quality," Hoewischer said. "Some years are better than others; we're seeing a 50 percent increase of 1-or more inch rain events over the last 30 years. In some of those cases we're seeing 2-to 5-inch rains and it is hard to do anything in that scenario."

Weather patterns are changing, he said. On average, farmers are losing five field days in the spring and five in the fall. On top of that, farmers are asked to increase their use of cover crops and other techniques that maybe take more time.

The Blanchard River Demonstration Farms, a project between Ohio Farm Bureau and NRCS is helping figure things out. That project is in the sixth of 10 years of testing new and old conservation practices. Plus, USDA's Agricultural Research Service (ARS) is doing edge-of-field monitoring and then amplifying those results to show the farmers what is happening in real-life scenarios.

In Putnam County, Duling is a big believer in conservation practices. He farms about 1,300 acres and custom farms roughly 600 acres. Duling raises corn, soybeans, wheat, cattle and is a contract pig farmers. Water from his farm drains into the Blanchard River and eventually to Lake Erie.

"Last year all my acres were 100 percent covered," he said. "We worked hard last fall and by November the 10th we were still sowing cover crops. I know the H2Ohio says we have to have it done by October the 15th (he wasn't getting paid last year because of COVID-19 funding cuts) but I'm not going to quit on Oct. 15. If we don't have them finished; I'm still going to plant because I believe in cover crops."

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Above: Jeff Duling's 79-year-old father, Bob Duling, helped him apply 28 percent nitrogen to corn. This field had 7,000 gallons of hog manure injected the previous fall after soybeans.



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Last fall he injected 7,000 gallons of hog manure into a field after soybeans were harvested. Then he planted cereal rye for a cover crop. The corn was planted green into 6-foot tall rye this spring. Duling follows all recommendations

from his nutrient management plan. Next, he tried interseeding, something new. He planted a cover crop into a field of corn that was about 12 inches tall. He can already see the clovers and other seedlings growing. "We have a spreader that goes down the cornrows," he said. "I can only go 35 feet at a time. It takes a little bit of time but I believe in it so I

Duling also soil samples "religiously," he said. He grid samples on a 2.5-acre grid. After a few years when he has a field figured out, he might go to a 5-acre grid to save money.

"For years we've had filter strips, waterways, grass waterways, buffers along any ditch, even if it's not in the program, I still have a grass buffer," Duling said.

Duling's main goal is to make money. But he appreciates what these conservation practices do for his soil. "I'm here to make money, that's my main goal, but I want to be a good steward," he said. "I see what it does to my soil. I just believe in it. When I see what it does to

my crops it makes me feel good."

People often ask if he makes money using these practices. His corn yielded 268 bushels to the acre last year and he came in second for Putnam County in the National Corn Growers yield contest. "I have good crops," he said.

Duling will have a farm field day on Aug. 12. For information, visit <u>putnamswcd</u>. com and click on "Events."



Above: Applying nitrogen to corn. The corn was planted green into 6-foot tall rye this spring. Duling follows all recommendations from his nutrient management plan.

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Shipping problems subject of House subcommittee hearing

By Doug Schmitz Iowa Correspondent

WASHINGTON, D.C.—Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation Subcommittee members recently held a U.S. House Transportation and Infrastructure Subcommittee hearing to examine the impacts of shipping container shortages, and increased delays and demand on the North American supply chain due to COVID-19.

"Since the beginning of the traditional peak shipping season starting last August, United States ports have been experiencing a record surge in cargo imports," said Rep. Bob Gibbs (R-Ohio), Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation Subcommittee ranking member, at the June 15 hearing. "This surge is expected to continue at least through 2021, and some say into the second quarter of 2022."

He said more than 30 container vessels routinely wait for space at the Ports of Los Angeles and Long Beach (Calif.), and the Port of Los Angeles had its biggest month on record in May.

"The surge is attributed to pent-up demand from the reduced cargo flow earlier in 2020; changes in consumer spending patterns, given increased staying-at-home time in 2020 and 2021; increases in pandemic-related items like personal protective equipment; and decreased port throughput because of COVID-19's impact on port operations, including increased testing, COVID-19 infections in workers, and quarantining," he said.

"This real-world pressure test of U.S. port capacity has led to container shortages for certain U.S. exports, particularly ag exports; pressure on intermodal rail connections; delays in receipt of merchandise for certain importers; shortages of chassis for drayage (the transport of goods over a short distance in the shipping and logistics industries); and accusations of abuses regarding detention and demurrage charges (which is a charge payable to the owner of a chartered ship in respect of failure to load or discharge the ship within the time agreed) - which I'll note - ocean carriers and terminal operators deny," he added.

Prior to the container surge, he said the Federal Maritime Commission was already conducting Fact Finding #29, which identifies operational solutions to cargo delivery system challenges related to COVID-19 regarding detention and demurrage.

"I understand that Fact Finding is now also looking at container shortages in some export markets," he said. "I look forward to (Federal Maritime Commissioner Rebecca Feemster Dye's) update on the status of Fact Finding #29.

"In addition, the commission had issued interpretive guidance on detention and demurrage to ocean carriers and marine terminal operators, but the Hill continues to hear complaints, although I understand few complaints have been filed with the commission," he added. "I joined the Chair and Ranking Member of the Full Committee and Subcommittee Chair Carbajal in writing the (Federal Maritime Commission) to urge vigorous enforcement of subtitle IV of title 46, popularly known as the Shipping Act, if any violations are found."

Rep. Salud Carbajal (D-Calif.), Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation Subcommittee chair, said in every sector of international commerce, "COVID-19 is having long-lasting consequences, and is drastically disrupting global and domestic supply chains.

"The shift to work from home for many Americans resulted in a significant increase in online shopping," he said. "A heightened demand for imported consumer goods, manufacturing parts

and commodities produced in Asia, coupled with periodic labor shortages due to COVID-19 outbreaks, has fueled massive backlogs, and price increases in the shipping container market."

He said the increased flow of goods has primarily been from China to the United States, and has resulted in significant port congestion.

"Especially on the U.S. West Coast," he said. "South of my district at the Ports of Los Angeles and Long Beach, there are as many as 60 ships anchored off the coast, which doesn't include even more ships that were unable to anchor offshore due to a lack of overflow space. This is a major problem.

"In addition, carriers have often chosen to ship empty containers back to Asia rather than carry U.S. exports since it is more profitable to do so," he added.

He said container shortages have placed a heavy strain on agricultural exporters, leaving them without access to international markets, and no guarantee that their product will be delivered on time.

"These shortages also cause backups in port terminals, where containers are stacking higher than ever, making it more difficult for truckers to move containers across the country," he said. "Longshore workers are burning both ends of the candle trying to keep pace with the deluge of imports.

"And all the while, American workers have been exposed to numerous COVID-19 outbreaks in ports, making their health and welfare all the more uncertain," he added.

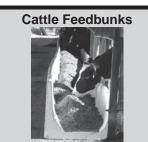
He said delays are also costly, not only in time lost, but also in the application of detention and demurrage fees for lengthy container storage times, both on ships and on docks.

"For example, container turnaround

times have nearly doubled from 60 to 100 days," he said. "Add to that peak-season surcharges, and it becomes very difficult for our exporters to compete in the global marketplace."

Mike Steenhoek, executive director for the Soy Transportation Coalition in Ankeny, Iowa, agreed with lawmakers concerning the national and global supply chain serving all industries currently being under tremendous stress.

"The seismic shift in consumer spending over the past 12-15 months (Shipping Problems continued on page 13)



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services (i.e., restaurants, from travel, entertainment, etc.) to goods has imposed historic demand on manufacturing and production, and the supply chain that accommodates them.

"Every link (i.e., ports, railroads, trucking, maritime shipping, etc.) in the supply chain is under stress," he added. "This particularly applies to the availability of shipping containers. Currently, it costs \$6,588 to ship a container from China to the U.S. West

For a return journey (U.S. West Coast to China), he said it costs \$1,107.

"When an ocean carrier – the company that owns the shipping containers - can receive significantly more revenue for an inbound vs. outbound movement, there clearly is an incentive to return containers back to the country of origin - usually China - as quickly as possible to maximize the number of turns per year of that container," he said.

"All exporters - including those who export soybeans and other agricultural products via container are having increased difficulty in accessing a sufficient supply of containers," he added. "Unfortunately, this supply-demand imbalance of shipping containers is likely to persist throughout 2021."

Gibbssaidhehopesrecommendations for industry practices to deal with future cargo surges will emerge from the hearing.

"The health of U.S. agricultural exports are life and death economic issues in rural districts such as Ohio's Seventh District," he said. "Therefore, I'd like to strengthen the system to assure sufficient capacity in the supply chain to protect U.S. ag exports in the future."



Above: Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation Subcommittee members recently held a U.S. House Transportation and Infrastructure Subcommittee hearing to examine the impacts of shipping container shortages, and increased delays and demand on the North American supply chain due to COVID-19 (photo courtesy of the United Soybean Board).



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NEW MILFORD, Conn. (AP) – If there's one terrific way to get kids interested in trying new foods, understanding where food comes from and choosing produce over chips (at least some of the time), it's a trip to the farmers market.

Along with farmers selling produce, there are makers selling everything from pickles to preserves to pesto; beekeepers offering honey; ranchers who have raised chickens, beef and pigs; fishermen and women selling their catch; bakers with breads, pies and muffins.

Shopping at a farmers market also means shopping seasonally, which makes us more aware of sustainability. It's cool for kids to start to understand that, in much of the country, strawberries are around in May and June, peaches and plums are available in mid-summer, and once apples start rolling in, fall is on the horizon. It gives all of us an appreciation for the bounty of the moment. A fresh ear of corn tastes all the sweeter in August because its availability is fleeting.

Melissa Kubin has been bringing her young son Felix to the farmers market in New Milford, Conn., since he was a baby. "Now he runs to the car on Saturdays shouting 'farmers market'!" she said.

The big lure for Felix is "the scones at the Green Granary bakery stand and seeing the dogs." His favorite vegetable is carrets

Amy Iannillo brings her four girls, ages 1 through 7, to the farmers market regularly as well. While they also love the pastries (they set up a little picnic area with folding chairs), they are all about the produce as well.

"They eat things I feel like they wouldn't normally eat because they are being introduced to it in a different environment, on their terms," Iannillo said. Right now, "it's all about the strawberries." Ianillo said the girls have come to appreciate the short season and enjoy the strawberries as much as possible.

Shopping at farmers markets also can create a sense of community, since it supports local farmers and producers.

So parents, grab your wallet and some reusable bags. Here are eight ways to get your kids engaged at the farmers market:

1) Encourage children to ask three questions of the farmers/producers. As you move through the market, questions will probably pop up. How many eggs does a chicken lay every day? Why are some vegetables labeled organic and others aren't? What does grass-fed mean? Why are different types of corn different colors?

2) Show up hungry. And taste as much as you can. Tasting might be more limited this summer as different markets adjust to shifting COVID rules. In regular times, most producers are happy to offer up a

slice of plum, a sliver of cheese, a taste of homemade jam on a cracker. This is also a good way to teach kids how to ask for something politely, and show appreciation for the sampling.

3) Bring home one fruit or vegetable that's completely new to you, and figure out how to use it. Maybe you'll find some golden berries, watermelon radishes or dandelion greens. You can try your find as is, or add it to a salad, pasta dish, pie or other recipe. Our best find when the kids were little was an ostrich egg, an enormous egg that we discovered has the equivalent of 24 large chicken eggs inside it. We learned how to get the egg out of the shell without breaking it, and we made a huge amount of scrambled eggs for our neighbors, using ramps - wild leeks which were also regional and in season. We were able to keep the ostrich egg shell on our fireplace mantle for years as a memento of an interesting farmers market expedition.

4) Find a new cheese. Start by blending a new cheese in with something milder and pre-approved by your children for grilled cheese sandwiches. Many cheeses are locally produced, so depending on where you live, you might end up bringing home a Vermont goat cheese, a Wisconsin sharp cheddar, a California triple creme or a blue cheese from Oregon.

5) See what farm-raised eggs are all about. When you bring them home, crack open a farmer's market egg next to a supermarket egg – check out the yolk colors to see which is more vibrant. At the market, you might ask the farmer about what their chickens eat, and how that affects the yolks' color.

6) Ask a farmer for a recipe. Who knows how to use these products better than the people who make them? You'll likely find that the "recipe" you get is a simple one, a dish that allows the produce or other ingredient to shine without much adornment.

7) Create a scavenger hunt: You can plan this ahead of time or let it develop organically. Searches might include: How many red vegetables can you find? How many different kinds of apples can you count? How many colors of eggs are there (and can you find any that are speckled)? What's the biggest melon you can find?

8) Find the produce with the weirdest names. Kids often love silly monikers, and you might come across Chocolate Stripe Tomatoes, Cathead Apples, Donut Peaches, Russian Banana Potatoes or Dragon Kale.

After one or two visits to the market, your kids might be fast friends with the person who sells the apple cinnamon doughnuts. Don't forget to pick up a jug of cider to wash them down.

Federal ag officials tour drought-stricken North Dakota

BISMARCK, N.D. (AP) – Federal agriculture officials recently continued their tour of drought-stricken North Dakota to hear directly from farmers and ranchers about how one of the driest years in recent history is affecting their livelihood.

U.S. Sen. John Hoeven invited Farm Service Agency Administrator Zach Ducheneaux and Risk Management Agency Acting Administrator Richard Flournoy to visit the state. About two-thirds of the state is under extreme or exceptional drought conditions – the top two categories, according to the U.S. Drought Monitor.

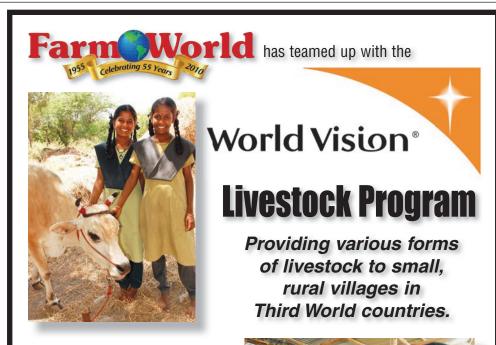
The two-day tour took the group to a federal Agricultural Research Service grazing unit in Mandan with a second stop in Minot. The tour also stopped in Carrington and Argusville.

Lt. Gov. Brent Sanford, who joined the tour group, said a shortage of hay is among the biggest concerns for producers, the Bismarck Tribune reported. "It's not going to be a good year anywhere," he said. "We're asking for flexibility. If there's a total loss, can you take what's there and hay it."

Producers want to graze some failed crops but feel stifled by some of the rules in place, said Sterling farmer Lucas Lang, who serves on the North Dakota Farm Bureau board. "We've got to get cows out on these crops that are shot, and we've got to do it without the grazing or haying (insurance) penalty," he said.

A plan to allow emergency haying on land enrolled in the Conservation Reserve Program before Aug. 1 is in the works, Hoeven said. Acreage in the program is usually left idle to prevent erosion and provide wildlife habitat.

Ducheneaux ranches on the Cheyenne River Sioux Reservation in South Dakota. He said any new programs or adjustments need to be made with a long-term outlook in mind.



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Couple adapts to COVID by starting their own farm

By Terence Corrigan Tennessee Correspondent

BELL BUCKLE, Tenn. – In March 2020 during the heightening uncertainty of the COVID pandemic, Mathieu Legrain and Kelsey Tucker put down roots for a new business in Bell Buckle and called it Belle Fleur Farm

They aren't newcomers to Bedford County.

Legrain's family has farmed on the land they lease for Belle Fleur Farm (French for beautiful flower) since 1978, when they came from France. Mathieu's grandfather, Michel Legrain, who invented and patented an automated calf feeder in 1962, grew crops and raised cattle on the 170acre piece. His uncle, Francois, nowadays runs the calf and lamb feeder manufacturing business, Biotic Industries, on the family's Bell Buckle property. Mathieu's grandmother, Marie Clotilde Legrain, still lives on the property. Mathieu calls her Bon Mama.

"I'm the third generation farming on this land," Legrain said. The farming bug skipped a generation in his immediate family. His father became a computer programmer and

developed and sold Radio Frequency Identification Scanners.

Kelsey Tucker, Legrain's life partner and business partner, grew up in Flat Creek. Her grandparents live in Unionville. Her grandparents and mom "always had a big garden," she said. While she was completing an English degree at MTSU, Tucker started working at Five Senses Restaurant in Murfreesboro. Five Senses is a fine dining restaurant specializing in locally produced "fresh and healthy" foods.

The experience of working at Five Senses, a "farm to table" restaurant, refined Tucker's understanding of the difference between foods "you care for yourself and get out of the garden yourself and the stuff you get at the grocery store," she said. Food produced by industrial growers, using chemical fertilizers and pesticides, she said, "doesn't taste the same. I've always been in love with good food, stuff that comes from the earth."

Legrain's journey, after graduating from Blackman High School in Murfreesboro, led him to the mountains of the West Coast. He loved backpacking and hiked 2,100 miles of the 2,600 mile Pacific Crest Trail,

from Southern California to northern Washington. When he got off the trail he wan't ready to leave the mountains of the West, so he settled for a few years at the southern end of the Cascade Mountains near Mount Shasta in California.

Legrain loved the mountains but in the rural region of Northern California work was hard to find and his long deferred dream to grow and sell produce on the family farm in Bell Buckle tugged at him.

When Legrain came back East, he was employed for awhile with a grower in Chapel Hill. While working there he met Tucker. "We both love plants and love nature," she explained. They share a passion for producing healthier, "high quality vegetables."

When the pandemic arrived both Legrain and Tucker were essentially left jobless. They decided they would build their own future security and prove to themselves and their community that small farming operations, without using herbicides and pesticides and chemical fertilizers, could be successful.

Forging a change in the food landscape

Tucker and Legrain consider their farming practices part of a growing trend. "People are realizing (the value) of being closer to the earth," she said. "Having small food systems that are sustainable instead of mass dairies and industrial vegetable growing operations that are not good for the earth."

Spraying crops with pesticides, Legrain said, kills not only the bugs that damage crops but it also kills the beneficial insects that prey on pest bugs. "UT (University of Tennessee) says for every pest bug you have 60 species of predator bugs (that help control the pest species). If you spray pesticides you kill all those bugs." Instead of spraying pesticides, Tucker and Legrain are using a technology that was in use before the invention of chemical poisons - they spray their crops with sugar water (molasses, white sugar or sorghum) which attracts beneficial insects like lacewings which

consume pest bugs like aphids.

"I just want to let people know there's another way of doing things instead of listening to companies that want to sell you fertilizer," Legrain said. "They say you need these products but you don't."

Time for change?

Tucker thinks agriculture practices will have to change. "I think we're at a point where we don't have much of a choice," she said. "If we keep on with conventional farming practices for another 50 years we'll have no topsoil left to grow food on for our grandchildren. I think people are starting to wake up and realize that we have to do something different.

"We envision a future with small farms dotting the landscape," she continued, "taking care of local communities, working together to supply everybody with clean, healthy food that tastes 10-times better than what you can get at the grocery store."

Tucker is passionate in her belief that the production of food needs to get back on a healthy, sustainable track. "With the industrialization of agriculture everyday people have gotten really removed from where their food comes from," she said. "I would love to see people come to realize that humans and the earth have evolved together over thousands of years to work together. We take care of each other."

Tucker said she and Legrain have already made a difference in the health of their families on the half acre they are currently farming. "If 50 more people in our community did the same thing," she said, "Shelbyville and Bedford County would look entirely different food-wise and health-wise.

"Fried okra and fried chicken, and chicken and dumplings; all that is wonderful and I love it," she said, but it's not the healthiest diet. Tucker grew up eating those foods but she said she paid a price. "I was very unhealthy as a kid but over this last year and a half, growing things,

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Above: Mathieu Legrain and Kelsey Tucker pose for a photo at their farm in Bell Buckle - Photo by Terence Corrigan



Above: Photo credit Flikr. Blossom end rot is caused by low levels of calcium, not by a disease or insects. Usually, it's not an issue of a lack of calcium in the soil, but how well a plant can absorb calcium.

Tips to prevent blossom end rot in tomatoes

URBANA, Ill. – Blossom end rot is the scourge for any tomato grower. What starts as a light tan spot at the end of the fruit where the blossom was, will expand and eventually turn black and leathery.

"When it comes to tomatoes, it is most commonly seen on larger fruited cultivars or long-fruited varieties like roma," said Ken Johnson, a University of Illinois Extension horticulture educator. "Blossom end rot can also affect peppers, eggplants, squash, and watermelons."

Contrary to popular belief, blossom end rot is not caused by a disease or insects. It is actually a physiological disorder caused by low levels of calcium. There are few reasons a plant may not be getting enough calcium. Usually, it's not an issue of a lack of calcium in the soil, but rather how well the plants absorb calcium.

"Plant leaves transpire and naturally lose water so they then take up more water along with nutrients from the soil," Johnson said. "Anything that gets in the way of transpiration can reduce calcium uptake."

Drought stress, inconsistent soil moisture, cold or waterlogged soils, and rapid vegetative growth due to too much nitrogen fertilization can all lead to blossom end rot. High concentrations of ammonium, potassium, and magnesium in the soil, often due to over-fertilization, can also cause issues with calcium uptake.

"Others argue that blossom end rot is caused by abiotic stress to the plants," Johnson said.

Drought, high light intensity, or heat cause cells in the fruits to die which results in blossom end rot. Regardless of what exactly causes blossom end rot, there are steps gardeners can take to prevent it.

Start by picking tomato varieties that are less prone to developing blossom end rot, such as 'Celebrity,' 'Mountain Pride,' and cherry tomatoes. Do a soil test to find out the calcium levels and if calcium should be added.

Avoid excessive fertilization of plants during early fruiting, especially with fertilizers using ammonium as their nitrogen source (ammonium competes with calcium uptake).

Water plants deeply starting when fruits first form and continuing throughout the growing season. In general, plants need about an inch of moisture per week, whether from rain or irrigation. If hot, dry weather is predicted, make sure plants are well watered before it arrives and continue watering daily. Adding a top layer of mulch can help conserve and even out the moisture in the soil.

Containers dry out quickly, so these plants are more likely to develop blossom end rot without consistent watering. Potted plants should be fertilized. Some soilless potting mixes have low nutrient levels, so it may be necessary to add fertilizer.

Unfortunately, once a fruit has blossom end rot, there is nothing you can do. Foliar applications of calcium don't help much because the calcium doesn't move into the fruit well. It is best to remove the fruit and discard it.





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picking them and figuring out how to cook them, my health has turned around 180 degrees for the better."

As Tucker and Legrain guide a visitor around their half acre of cultivated land they point out the wide variety of food they're growing. High on their list of what's important is their lettuce crop, both head and mixed greens. They sell much of their lettuce to Five Senses Restaurant in Murfreesboro. They have also had tremendous demand for carrots.

As we tour their high tunnel, Legrain points out the dusty white coating on some of the plants. It's Kaolin clay, he explained, the same clay people use as a facial skin treatment. Kaolin clay is an effective non-toxic way to repel insects, it irritates them, he said.

As we move further along, Tuck-

er and Legrain point out the various plants: bok choy, mustard greens, watermelon radish, rouge vif détampes (a French "vivid red" pumpkin especially suited for pies), Carindale pumpkins (an Australian variety), basil and onions, and Aunt Hettie's red okra (a Tennessee heirloom variety). They are also growing heirloom tomatoes, a variety, black in color, called indigo rose. Consumers are having a hard time accepting not-red tomatoes, Legrain said, despite the luscious flavor.

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Conservation camp draws 160 students in grades 2-5

BV DOUG GRAVES Ohio Correspondent

EATON, Ohio — More than 160 children from Ohio and Indiana in grades 2-5 attended the sixth annual Preble County (Ohio) Conservation Day Camp last month.

The three-day camp runs from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. each day and focuses strictly on conservation with topics such as archery, stream monitoring, team building, forestry, crafts, soils, fishing, pollinators, nature hikes, vermiculture, candle making, tree identification, creeking, tie dye, wagon rides and more.

The annual event takes place on the grounds of the Preble County Historical Society.

"While the topic is conservation the focus for the kids is using the land and leaving it just as you found it," said B.J. Price, District Administrator and Technician for the Preble County Soil & Water Conservation District (PCSWCD) "It's not conservation in the sense of putting crops on a field and taking care of it. It's much more than that and that's the purpose of this annual event."

Each day the students were divided into six groups. Every 25 minutes a bell rang, sending each group and their

group leader to a different learning station.

"That's three full days of outdoor exploration, environmental education, and a lot of fun," said Kate Camden, PSWCD Outreach Coordinator. "The students get to experience all of the fun the outdoors has to provide, while learning about natural resources conservation and so much more. They are able to learn about current environmental issues and how they can help, to problem solve cooperatively in a large group, and to make friendships with students from other schools."

Each group is led around the grounds by high school and college students, who are able to receive credit hours for their assistance.

Shelby County, just about 40 miles to the north, held its three-day conservation camp for grades 2-5 with the "Space Camp" theme. This camp included the basics of fishing and archery, learning about the sounds of space and moon phases, and visiting a mobile planetarium.

The Darke County Soil & Water Conservation District held Conservation Day Camp in June as well. This camp was for grades 1-4. This two-day camp was held at Chenoweth Trails from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. each day.



Above: Archery was one of this year's six stops at the annual Conservation Day Camp in Eaton, Ohio. (photo submitted)



Above: Stream Monitoring is among the many topics at the annual Conservation Day Camp in Eaton, Ohio. (photo submitted)



Above: Building a birdhouse is among the many topics at the Conservation Day Camp. This year the students in grades 2-5 learned about candle making as well. (photo submitted)



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Maine governor vetoes bill that bans some aerial spraying

AUGUSTA, Maine (AP) - Gov. Janet Mills has vetoed a bill to ban aerial spraying of some herbicides in forestland in the nation's most heavily wooded state, but vowed to issue an executive order with stricter rules on spraying.

Democratic Senate President Troy Jackson, a fifth generation logger from Allagash who introduced the legislation, said he was deeply disappointed by the governor's action on Friday.

"The science is clear - the aerial spraying of glyphosate and other harmful chemicals has a devastating effect on our rivers and streams, plants and wildlife, and the health and wellbeing of people in the surrounding area," Jackson said in a statement. He asked how much longer the state will tolerate "large landowners" being allowed to spray "poison" to help their bottom line.

Mills, also a Democrat, said the aerial application of herbicides for forest management is already limited but it can be an integral tool for keeping the forest healthy and helping the logging industry.

She suggested rules were already in place for protection. But she said her executive order will direct the Maine Forest Service and the Board of Pesticide Control to institute additional safeguards. The goal will be to create bigger setbacks and buffers to protect bodies of water, wetlands and wildlife habitat.

Groups urging the governor to ban aerial spraying include the Maine Organic Farmers and Gardeners Association, which contends 15,000 acres are sprayed each year in Maine.

Glyphosate, the key ingredient in Roundup, has been banned in several towns, cities, states and countries over the past few years because of concerns about links to cancer.

Critics zeroed in on major land owners including Irving, accusing them of putting profits ahead of the environment. "Big companies like Irving certainly aren't passing benefits along to Maine workers," said Rep. Maggie O'Neil, a Democrat from Saco and House chair of the Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry Committee.

New Iowa beef processing plant will harvest1,500 head per day

By DOUG SCHMITZ Iowa Correspondent

MARCUS, Iowa – A new southwest Iowa beef processing plant, which is slated for construction next year, will harvest 1,500 head per day, employ 750 workers, and have an estimated annual economic impact of \$1.1 billion, according to company officials.

"We'll be the first state-of-the-art new facility built in western Iowa in more than two generations," said Chad Tentinger, founder and owner of TenCorp, Inc., a cattle industry construction firm with offices in Des Moines and Marcus, Iowa, in a news conference with reporters and state officials.

Tentinger, the project developer of the soon-to-be-built Cattlemen's Heritage Beef Co. plant, said he wants to provide a market for cattle raised by smaller, independent cattle producers.

He said he expects Cattlemen's Heritage Beef Co. plant to process cattle from Iowa, Nebraska, and South Dakota. The plant is slated to open in 2023.

"Cattlemen's Heritage will fill a critical gap between the conglomerates and the outdated, under-sized lockers and plants that aren't equipped to meet the needs of consumers, producers, or retailers," said Tentinger, who's also a fourth-generation Marcus, Iowa, cattle producer.

"Cattle producers and retailers have recognized for quite some time that as more cattle production has moved north to the Upper Midwest that we need the processing capacity to match it," he added. "The Cattlemen's Heritage facility will go a long way to resolving that ongoing challenge, and delivering more quality beef from family farms to consumers."

The \$350 million facility will be situated on the Mills-Pottawattamie County line, south of the Omaha/Council Bluffs area in western Iowa, and fronted by Interstate 29, giving access to infrastructure, and a good labor force.

Ernie Goss, principal investigator at Goss & Associates, who's also professor of economics and MacAllister Chair at Creighton University in Omaha, Neb., recently conducted the economic impact study of the Cattlemen's Heritage Beef plant.

When it's constructed and fully operational, Goss said the plant will employ approximately 13.3 times the average Iowa manufacturer's workers, and pay roughly 12.4 times the average payroll.

"The average salary at the Cattlemen's Heritage facility will exceed the Iowa average by 5.5 percent, and the Iowa median salary by 30.3 percent," he said. "From the beginning of construction in 2022 through 2028, the first (six) years of operations, Cattlemen's Heritage as planned will support an annual average of 3,319 direct and spillover jobs, wages and salaries of \$817 million, self-employment income of \$414.8 million, with a total impact of \$6.4 billion," he said.

"Furthermore, it is estimated that the plant will support jobs paying an average of \$55,285 per worker, and state and local tax collections will total \$125 million between 2022 and 2028," he added. "In terms of rate-of-return for locally-provided infrastructure support, the project will provide \$28.54 for every dollar of local public infrastructure support period between 2022 and 2028."

Tentinger said the facility will serve as a game changer for the surrounding counties by providing more than 3,300 jobs through construction, and have a total impact of \$6.4 million (within the surrounding counties).

Iowa Agriculture Secretary Mike Naig said the new facility will provide more market access for Iowa's cattle producers, as well as new jobs, and the expansion of Iowa's agriculture.

"Creating more economic value to Iowa agriculture and the state's livestock industry will help bring the next generation back to the farm," he said. "This is important for the success and sustainability of the ag community, and our state's economy.

"That's especially true when our livestock producers see large disparities between live cattle and boxed beef prices," he added. "There's a significant opportunity to expand meat processing capacity around



Above: Chad Tentinger, the project developer of the soon-to-be-built Cattlemen's Heritage Beef Co. plant in Marcus, Iowa, said he wants to provide a market for cattle raised by smaller, independent cattle producers (photo courtesy of Cattlemen's Heritage Beef Co.).

the state. This facility will create additional market access for our producers, new jobs, and economic activity in our rural communities."

Tentinger said Cattlemen's Heritage wants to be able to help young farmers get into the cattle business and stay in the industry.

The plant will start by harvesting about 800 head per day for the first several months, and ramp up to 1,500 head per day by the end of the first year. A full workforce will be hired to be on hand when the plant opens.

Marco Floreani, Mills County Economic Development Foundation director, said, "This is huge, agriculture is a bedrock industry for this part of the country, Iowa. So, the economic impact will be significant, over a billion dollars annually.

"We had the double whammy of 2019 floods and then the pandemic, so

this is a huge shot in the arm for our county, and the people here in Mills County, to create not just the jobs for folks here, but for also the farming community," he said. "The economic impact will trickle throughout."

Matt Deppe, CEO of the Iowa Cattlemen's Assoc., said the organization looks forward to the plant providing an opportunity to harvest cattle within the state of Iowa.

"This facility will provide another market access for Iowa's cattle producers, with hopes of boosting cattle prices through competition, and giving the state a needed economic boost for agriculture, and the local area," he said.

"We look forward to having continued conversations with the Cattlemen's Heritage group, and how they can help our state's cattle producers," he added.





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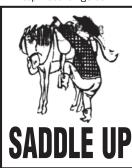


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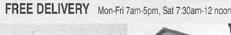
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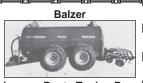
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Above: A chicken takes off after given a nudge by Poultry Committee member Jeff Thompson during the chicken flying competition at the LaPorte County Fair.

Rookie takes it all in chicken flying contest

By Stan Maddux **Indiana Correspondent**

LAPORTE, Ind. - Chickens are typically not the best fliers but a contest to see which ones stay airborne the longest is one of the more popular attractions at an Indiana fair.

The chicken flying competition has been a staple at the LaPorte County Fair for over 30 years. This year's grand champion was "Goldy," a Welsummer chicken that won the bantamweight division of the July 12 contest with a 39-foot-long flight.

The winner in each of four weight classes returned to compete for grand

Goldy's 22-foot-long flight was more than four feet longer than the second place finisher to earn top honors.

The gold feathered chicken belongs to Katelyn Peterson, a six-year 4-H member and rookie in the competition. "It feels awesome and I'm so excited," said the 14-year old Peterson.

Peterson said she didn't expect her bird to win but knew the hen had talent from her occasional departures over a fence to eat corn belonging to the neighbor's chickens.

She was enticed to enter the competition from watching a chicken belonging to her sister previously take part in the contest.

"I thought it was cool," she said.

The reserve grand champion was a Rainbow chicken winning the heavyweight division of the contest with a flight of just more than 25 feet.

The chicken, "Fire," is owned by 11-year-old Nichole Brown. Brown said she was just somewhat surprised by the chicken's showing because of her bird's feistiness.

She and her family, after recently moving to South Carolina, exhibited the same spirit by driving back for Nichole take part in the competition also for her

"It just sounded like something fun and Fire is a little stinker so I thought she would enjoy it," she said.

Thirty eight chickens were entered into this year's competition. The birds started flapping their wings after being gently shoved from a more than 10-foothigh platform.

Some chickens looked somewhat ele-

Above: "Goldy," a Welsummer chicken belonging to Katelyn Peterson, 14, of LaPorte, was the grand champion of the chicken flying competition at the LaPorte County Fair.

gant in flight while others dropped similar to a bowling ball. Chickens above five pounds are not eligible to compete to avoid the potential for injury from crash landings.

"We fly nothing over five pounds because it could endanger the bird or breaking a leg or something and we don't want that," said Carolyn Krause, who was in charge of the chicken flying competition this year.

Krause said some chickens in previous years have flown greater distances including a few that made it to the draft horse barn some 100 feet away.

Spectators also get a major kick from chickens once hitting the ground scampering away then being caught by volunteers scrambling to catch the fleet-footed birds with nets. "The crowd always loves to see them run," Krause said.

Krause said most chickens are better gliders than fliers. She said Krause said chickens typically use their wings only when feeling threatened by a predator or some other potential source of danger. "They just walk around all of the time. They're out of shape," she said.

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Slugs impacting corn, soybean crops in Ohio, Indiana

By Doug Graves Ohio Correspondent

WASHINGTON COURT HOUSE, Ohio - A mix of a mild winter and a wet spring means just one thing for farmers: slugs.

"Slug populations increase during mild winters and flourish during wet springs," said Jim Hoorman, owner of Hoorman Soil Health Services and former Ohio State University Extension specialist in Putnam County, Ohio. "Slugs especially thrive in no-till or cover crop fields. Slug control depends upon understanding slug biology, scouting, natural predators and effective cultural practices."

Hoorman says there are more than 80,000 slug species, but the main pest is the gray garden slug, which lays more than 500 eggs in the spring and

"Offspring from one gray garden slug can produce over 90,000 grandchildren and 27 million descendants, so slug populations can explode quickly," Hoorman said. "Slugs mature in five to six months and may live six to 18 months with juveniles causing most crop damage, eating 2.5 times their body weight daily.

"The slug and vole population peaks every 2-5 years when winters are really cold and there is little snow. Slugs freeze out if they do not hibernate deep in the soil but often the water table also rises. So they get caught between the water table and freezing soil. Voles do not hibernate but need 40 percent more energy to survive cold winters, so without food and shelter, their numbers decline."

According to producer John Smalley, slugs have made their presence known in Scioto County north along the Scioto River toward Columbus.

"I know farmers in that area and they're rampant in that county and they're attacking soybean roots," Smalley said. "They're abundant along the Scioto River near Lucasville and extend north toward the center of the state."

Mike Estadt, Extension specialist in Pickaway County, said, "I've heard the same thing about issues in southwest Ohio as some producers are having to plant soybeans up to three times. "I've not heard of widespread issues here in our county, but there are always a few fields that have historically had problems."

Slug issues have risen in Ross County. "There were areas in the county that we saw three generations of slugs this past spring," said Chris Bruynis, Ross County Extension educator. "Some fields were replanted due to slug damage, but this wasn't widespread and typically limited to fields with either cover crops or no-till with heavy stalk residue. Fields that had low residues or worked this spring were not as affected."

Greg Meyer, OSU Extension specialist in Warren County, as well as Ken Ford, OSU Extension specialist of Fay-



Above: While slugs are easy to detect they're hard to combat and eradicate. Experts suggest growing cover crops that are not good hosts for these mollusks. Slugs have been a problem in some fields in Ohio and Indiana. (photo submitted)

ette County, have not seen or heard of about, but I've not seen or heard of any concerns with slugs in soybeans or corn in their respective counties. Tony Nye, OSU Extension specialist in Clinton County said there are "just a couple minor issues with slugs but nothing major,"

"I'm not receiving calls about slugs this year. Doesn't mean they aren't out there," Meyer said. "I'm just not getting any reports from Warren County farmers."

Added Ford, "I've been out and

any concerns with slugs. Actually, I've heard the contrary, that insect pressure has been almost non-existent. But with the timely rains over the past 10 days it could bring about some issues."

And slugs aren't confined in state lines. Steve Gauck, a regrional agronomy manager for Beck's in Greensburg, Ind., said slugs affected final stands in

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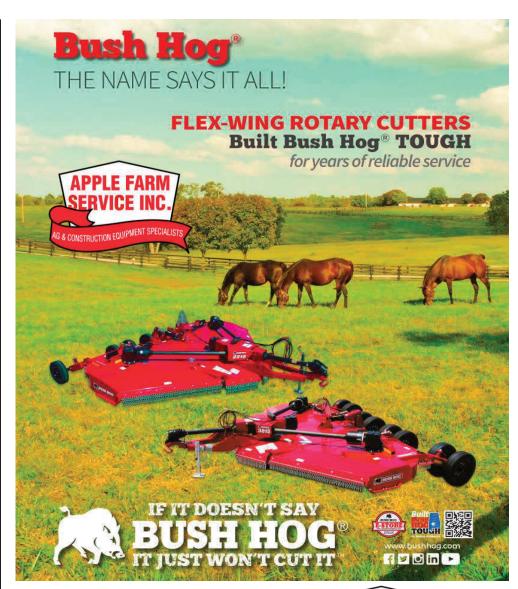


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Ag Policy Summit will be in-person event on July 27

DANVILLE, Ind.— The Indiana Corn Growers Association (ICGA) and the Indiana Soybean Alliance's Membership and Policy Committee (M&P) will present its annual Ag Policy Summit from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. on July 27 at the Hendricks County Fairgrounds in Danville. The theme is "Sustainability and New Trends in Agriculture."

"We, as farmers, have to stay engaged in political policy conversations so that the people making the policies know how those policies will affect our businesses and livelihoods," said Mike Koehne, a Greensburg, Ind., farmer and M&P chair. "Farmers are becoming fewer in number, and it is even more important for us to learn to speak up about political issues that will affect us. The Ag Policy Summit is one of those ways. It offers Indiana soybean and corn growers a place to discuss and learn about potential policy changes that will affect us soon."

Representatives from Corteva Agriscience, the premier sponsor for the Summit, will open the session with a presentation on its sustainability initiatives. Other sponsors include AimPoint Research, the United Soybean Board, First Farmers Bank and Trust, CountryMark, Farm Credit Mid-America, ISA and the Indiana Corn Marketing Council (ICMC). The Summit's featured speakers include:

•Dr. Jayson Lusk, Department Head of Ag Economics at Purdue University

•Bruce Kettler, Director of the Indiana State Department of Agriculture

•Steve Howell, Senior Director of Industry Affairs for ISA, ICGA and ICMC

AimPoint Research, a global intelligence firm, will present findings on a farm trends study conducted in 2019 and 2020. Howell will review newly adopted state and federal

Slugs

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multiple fields, especially in southern and central counties in the Hoosier state.

"We don't see slugs every year, but they tend to show up more when it's cool and wet early," he said. "Part of the problem is you don't know when or where the slugs will show up. The best remedy for slugs is warm weather and tillage. They normally move deeper in the soil once soils heat up. Tillage before replanting may help if you know there is a slug problem."

Understanding facts about slugs, Hoorman said, can help growers understand what they're up against.

"Slugs can survive without food for several months during hot summers, with most crop damage in the spring or fall," Hoorman said. "Slugs are dependent upon moisture, cool conditions and lush vegetation for food and shelter. Crops usually outgrow most slug damage but during slow growing cold wet springs, slugs can decimate a crop. Fast crop emergence and growth is a key strategy to reducing slug feeding."

And yes, slugs have natural predators, including ground beetles, fire flies, centipedes, millipedes, rove beetles, solder beetles, wolf spiders, starlings, song birds, goads, frogs and ants.

"Growers should choose cover crops that are non-hosts for slugs," Hoorman adds. "Trap crops are not as effective in soybeans. Slugs like cereal rye, winter peas, rape and soybeans but seem to dislike crimson clover, sunflower and chicory."

The Indiana policies and forecast future policies iation (ICGA) with industry experts. Dr. Jayson Lusk ean Alliance's will offer an update on Purdue research in the sustainability sector and what it mual Ag Policy means to farmers.

Lunch will be provided, and there will be a short award ceremony during the luncheon. After the Ag Policy Summit concludes, there will be time for networking with refreshments. After a year of pandemic-required virtual meetings and cancelations, getting together with other farmers in the same room may seem like a new trend.

"I'm looking forward to the Ag Policy Summit because I know we have a lot of good information to share. The staff has a great program planned addressing current policy issues that affect corn and soybean farmers," said Mike Beard, ICGA President. "This is our first open meeting, and I'm excited for the opportunity to reconnect with farmers from around the state, sharing weather and crop stories and talking about policy issues that could disrupt our business."

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What to expect at the 2021 **Half Century of Progress show**



WRENCHING TALES By Cindy Ladage

Progress is the largest working vintage farm show It is coming back to Rantoul on Aug. 26-29, 2021. The event is held at the Rantoul Airport, sight of the former Chanute

Air Force Base. The show takes place the weekend before the Decatur Farm Progress Show.

John Fredrickson, of the Half Century, said that the first Farm Progress Show was held in 1953. "I was a freshman in high school, and I remember we got out of school that day. They expected 20,000 and that day 75,000 showed up."

With just a few days between both events, plan to attend both and see the greatest in agriculture half a century ago, then the greatest in agriculture today. At the Half Century of Progress, antique tractor collectors get to experience what farming and agriculture was like 50 years ago. Many bring their own antique equipment and experience this by using their antique farm machinery during live demonstrations.

This will be the 10th Half Century of Progress and the 9th at Rantoul. The first one was at Henning, Ill.

All brands of tractors are welcome and each day there are daily parades and field demonstrations. Fredrickson shared some of the highlights of this upcoming show. "One of the highlights of the Half Century of Progress will be our Rantoul Repower Roundup, which will be a huge display of tractors with repower engines in them."

Fredrickson had his own repower tractor which was a Ford with a V8 engine in it. This tractor will be the raffle tractor for the I & I Tractor and Gas Engine Show which is held in Penfield, Ill.

"There are a lot of tractors around that people haven't seen so this will be an opportunity for people to see these repower tractors," he said. "Every major brand will be on display.

"Other highlights are the demon-

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Above: What a cool harvest set up, this truck harvest situation that was at Rantoul in 2019.



Above: Horse farming at the 2019 Half Century gives an idea what collectors will find at the 2021 show.



Above: Broom corn threshing is a different type of harvest not always seen. This is a photo from the 2019 show.

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for outdoor activities, and here are five great new books to get you started.

First of all, understand what you're up

against by reading "The Secret World of Weather" by Tristan Gooley (The Experiment, \$21.95). This easy-to-grasp book teaches you what you need to know about clouds, wind, inclement weather, and how the plants and animals in any given area offer hints of the climate to come. For hikers and desk jockeys alike, this is a valuable book to have for your day-to-day, and

it might even save your life.

Animal lovers are in for a treat this year. First, "Wild Souls" by Emma Marris (Bloomsbury, \$28.00) will help you

become more mindful, when it comes to non-domestic animals. Marris asks readers to consider what rights animals have to stay wild, even when their species is threatened or the herd is too large to sustain healthy existence. This thoughtful, considerate book is perfect for anyone who wants to understand animals' places in the world.

"How to Love Animals in a Human-Shaped World" by Henry Mance (Viking, \$27) is another makes-youthink book but this one also takes domestic animals into the mix, including the ones we eat. How do we reconcile that? Read this book.

Are you one with nature? In "Four Fifths a Grizzly" (Patagonia, \$27.95), author Douglas Chadwick argues that we are, quite literally. In this book of essays and wonderful full-color photographs and peeks through the microscope, he shows how humans are not at the pinnacle of Earth's creatures, but a part of the whole in a larger circle of life. We aren't the Top Dogs we think we are; in fact, in a way, we're equal to dogs and to elephants and to animals with which we share a surprising amount of DNA. This



is one of those WOW! books that's a lot of fun to read, and you'll love it.

And finally... what if you never went out into the world again? What if none of us did? That's the basic question inside "Islands of Abandonment" by Cal Flyn (Viking, \$27). Here, Flyn takes a look at places in the world from which humans have disappeared – places as divergent as inner-city Detroit and Chernobyl – and what the landscape looks like when it's not inhabited. Readers may be surprised at what happens and what kinds of creatures reclaim the land; you'll also

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Wrenching Tales

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strations that we do," Fredrickson said. Those demonstrations include cornhusking as well as plowing and tillage work, corn harvesting, soybean harvesting and many field activities. The demonstrations all depend on the weather. Animal lovers need not despair, there are also horse farming and machinery demonstrations.

In mid-July, the crops at the Half Century of Progress looked great. "Corn was tasseling over two weeks ago," Fredrickson said at the time of the interview.

Graham Bradley and Sears Sold tractors are having their annual show at the Half Century of Progress this year. Most other brands like John Deere and International Harvester all have their own tents as well. "All of the major brands are represented in some fashion at this show," he added.

Along with all the tents and displays put on by the different brands of tractors, another draw is the Big Flag which is 120×65 feet and weighs 200 pounds. The flag teams who travel with the flag are truly dedicated volunteers and all money raised goes toward U.S. veteran projects. The project began in 1993 with

the delivery of the first flag, since then eight flags have been purchased at an average cost of \$7,500 each. The project was dedicated to all who have or are still serving in the U.S. Armed Forces.

The Half Century of Progress also offers daily entertainment.

"Jolene Brown will be back this year on Thursday and Friday at the Half Century of Progress," Fredrickson said. She is the author of such books as, "Holy Crap! I Married a Farmer!" "The Top Ten Mistakes That Break Up a Family Business!" and "Sometimes You Need More Than a 2×4! How-to-tips to successfully grow a family business."

On her website she said, "Farm-born and raised, I am truly a real 'Farmer Brown.' I've made it my life's mission to help the thousands of farmers, growers and ranchers share their stories with the wider world. I help our families build a legacy, using my experience and tools to grow, fix and transition their businesses. And always – always! – with large helpings of interaction, humor and respect."

Famed broadcaster Max Armstrong will be present and have his show on Saturday afternoon along with some of his colleagues from This Week in Agriculture. Armstrong will also serve as be one of the show announcers.

Each year FFA chapters set up with raffle tractors. Frederickson added this year the Taylorville FFA will help man the Hog Haven food stand and offer a host of other activities. Other entertainment includes sanctioned tractor pulls on Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

For those bringing equipment, after arriving, register equipment at Hangar 2. One of the bonuses of bringing equipment is that exhibitors will receive a special keepsake and they also get two exhibitors passes. If planning to operate equipment during the show, note that the collector must attend either a morning or afternoon safety training session in Hangar 2.

The show is a terribly busy one and a golf cart is a huge help in navigating the busy show. To rent a golf cart, call 866-275-2742. Collectors may bring their own golf cart, but there is a \$40 tag fee, good for all days of the show. Drivers need to maintain a 5 mph limit for all vehicles on the grounds, tractors included, and no drivers are permitted under 16 years of age.

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Remembering good – and bad – bosses

I can't stand being told what to do. Been that way all my life. I can't work for other people and that worked out just fine because no one has ever wanted too desperately to hire me. I've never handled people with authority well and that's why for the past 40 years I've been self-employed and believe me, It's THE PITTS there's been several times I By Lee Pitts felt like firing myself. I haven't

filled out a resume in 45 years, never taken a day of unemployment and I've never run out of work.

I started my career early in life mowing lawns, delivering papers and dusting furniture for my grandpa in his furniture shop, all before I was 12. By far, my grandpa was the best boss I ever had. He gave me a shiny silver dollar every Friday and I sure wish I'd have kept them.

I worked in the oil fields for three summers to help self-finance my college education and I did have a good boss one summer who everyone called Timmy. He was a quiet, elderly gent who was about 5½ feet tall and built like a piece of rebar. And just as strong. Timmy was the only boss in the oilfields who seemed interested in teaching me things. I'd been on similar A-frame trucks with other bosses in other summers but mostly what those bosses did was try to stay out of radio range of the BIG BOSS so he wouldn't know my boss was taking a nap or "reading" a magazine full of scantily clad women.

I also had a fabulous boss on the cattle ranch I worked for during high school but I never really considered him a boss because he was more like a father. And that's the sum total of good bosses I've had.

One of the worst was my first. I was the only gringo on a Hispanic crew picking lemons and oranges and I learned an early lesson that racism can work both ways. With citrus you had to cut the stem right next to the fruit or the sharp

Bookworm

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be surprised at how quickly it started to happen during the pandemic.

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in the big wooden boxes. You'd stack your boxes at the head of a row, write vour number (mine was 13) on the box and fill it from the sack that hung around your neck. If you didn't clip your stems the

boss would yell at you to come to your boxes and go through every box looking for any fruit whose stem wasn't clipped. He did this to me about five times a day just

I pumped gas for awhile in high school and back then you had to also wash the windows, check the oil and put air in the tires if needed. The first day on the job, my boss showed me how to wipe oil from the dipstick with my thumb so that when I showed the dipstick to the driver it always looked like the engine was about a quart low. I was forever getting in trouble for not selling my "quota."

After my junior year in high school I worked on a citrus ranch getting \$1.25 per hour for what amounted to child abuse. The owner worked me like a draft

stems would damage the other fruit horse, gave me no breaks from the hot sun and I couldn't wait until summer was over so I could quit. I heard when he died there were two people at his funeral, the mortician and his wife and she couldn't wait to leave either.

> The worst boss I ever had was an editor who didn't think I could write a lick. The only aspiring writers who advanced under his tutelage were those who licked his boots or buttered him up. These are skills I've never been able to master. Every story I sent in he sent back to me with multiple changes. I'd had about enough of this guy, who'd never had a creative thought in his life, so one time I sent a story back to him and asked, "Is this better?"

He wrote back and asked, "Now then, isn't the story much better after all my suggestions?"

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Dairy demand remains good according to USDA data

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By Lee Mielke

The Agriculture Department 2021 lowered its milk production estimate in its World Agricultural Supply and Demand Estimates (WASDE), slower-than-expected

growth in milk per cow more than offset higher forecast cow numbers.

The 2022 production estimate was raised however, based on higher expected cow numbers. The WASDE stated that USDA's

Cattle report, to be released on July 23, will provide a mid-year estimate of the cow inventory and producer intentions regarding retention of heifers for dairy cow replacement.

2021 production and marketings were estimated at 228.2 and 227.2 billion pounds respectively, down 300 million pounds on production from last month's estimates and 200 million pounds less on marketings. If realized, 2021 production would still be up 5 billion pounds or 2.2% from 2020.

2022 production and marketings were estimated at 231.6 and 230.5 billion pounds respectively, up 500 million pounds on both. If realized, 2022 production would be up 3.4 billion pounds or 1.5% from 2021.

Cheese, butter, nonfat dry milk (NDM), and whey price forecasts for 2021 were lowered from last month on relatively high stocks and weakerthan-previously-expected demand. As a result, Class III and Class IV prices were lowered.

USDA analysts project a 2021 Class III average of \$16.80 per hundredweight (cwt.), down 65 cents from last month's projection, and compares to \$18.16 in 2020 and \$16.96 in 2019. Thursday's futures settlements, added to the already announced Class III prices, would portend a \$17.23 average for 2021. The 2022 average was estimated at \$16.75, down 40 cents from last month's estimate.

The 2021 Class IV average was estimated at \$15.40, down 45 cents from last month, and compares to \$13.49 in 2020 and \$16.30 in 2019. The 2022 Class IV average was projected at \$15.75, down 20 cents from a month ago.

Price forecasts for cheese and butter in 2022 were lowered on larger expected stocks and higher production,

but forecasts for NDM and whey were unchanged.

Dairy economist and principal Bill Brooks, of Missouribased Stoneheart Consulting, reported in the July 19 Dairy Radio Now broadcast that dairy farm profitability this year will be about \$1.81 per cwt. below that of a year ago, based on July 12 futures prices, and \$1.17 below the five-year

average. On a brighter note,

he said profitability looks a little more promising next year.

In the week ending July 3, 52,900 dairy cows were sent to slaughter, down 2,900 from the previous week but 6,500 or 14.0% above that week a year ago.

Dairy demand remains good, according to USDA's latest data. May total cheese demand was down 4.7% from the record set in April, but was 1.7% above May 2020, the fifth consecutive month to top a year ago, and up 6.1% year to date

Butter disappearance was up 4.5% from April but 1.0% below a year ago, though year to date is up 4.4%.

There was lots of red ink on the powder. Nonfat dry milk and skim milk powder was down 15.4% from April and 21.4% below a year ago. HighGround Dairy points out that while nonfat dry milk exports jumped to another record high into May, it was not enough to overcome a steep decline in domestic disappearance.

Dry whey was down 11.5% from April, weakest May volume on record due to weak domestic demand, according to HGD, and was 4.6% below a year ago.

Fluid milk sales continue to falter. May sales totaled 3.6 billion pounds of packaged fluid products, down 4.3% from May 2020. Conventional product sales totaled 3.4 billion pounds, down 3.9% from a year ago. Organic products, at 225 million, were down 10.6%, and represented 6.2% of total sales for May.

Whole milk sales totaled 1.2 billion pounds, down 9.7% from a year ago, with year to date consumption down 8.3% from a year ago. Whole milk represented 32.4% of total milk sales for the five month period.

May skim milk sales, at 203 million pounds, were down 15.3% from a year

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Rainfall tapers as July comes to an end

By Bill Felker

Our local environment is linked to the rest of the universe in ways even more astonishing and exciting than those conceived by ancient astrologers. - Percy Seymour

The Moon and the Sun The Buzzing Cicada Moon

waxes throughout the week and reached perigee, its position closest to Earth, on July 21 at 5 a.m. It becomes full on July 23 at 9:37 p.m.

Rising in the evening and setting in the morning, this Moon passes overhead in the middle of the night, encouraging fish to bite, especially as the cool front of July 28 approaches.

The Sun enters its Deep Summer sign of Leo on July 22. As the trees darken with middle summer, the Sun slowly increases its apparent rate of its descent, falling a little more than one degree to a declination below 20 degrees by this date.

Weather Trends

The coolest days this week are typically the 22nd and 23rd when mild 70s are recorded about a fourth of all the years. Full moon and perigee are likely to cause a break in the heat this year, too. And five years in 10, at least one afternoon in the 70s follows the late-July cool wave that often arrives around the 28th. Evening lows in the 50s, unusual only two weeks ago, often occur. And throughout the country, average high temperatures drop one degree on the 28th, their first drop since late January.

Sunshine remains the rule for this week of the month, with three out of four days bringing at least a partial break in the clouds. Rainfall typically tapers off as July comes to a close, the chance of precipitation declining from 35 percent on the 24th down to just 20 percent on the 30th and 31st.

Zeitgebers

(Events in Nature that Tell the Time of Year)

Fruits of the Osage orange are two-thirds grown, heavy enough to drop in a storm. Woodlands and wetlands keep their avens, enchanter's nightshade, lopseed, leafcup, touchme-not, wood nettle, Joe Pye weed, monkey flower, and tall bell flower.

Pastures, roadsides, and allevs are full of chicory, Queen Anne's lace, great mullein, wild petunia, milkweed, pokeweed, black-eyed Susan, butterfly weed, tall nettle, soapwort, St. John's wort, gray-headed coneflower, blue vervain, white vervain, horseweed, oxeye, germander, teasel, fringed loosestrife, velvetleaf, wingstem, sundrops, small-flowered agrimony, bull thistle, tick trefoil, bush clover, burdock, showy and tall coneflower, jimson weed, pigweed, thin-leafed mountain mint, tick trefoil, downy false foxglove and three-seeded mercury.

Swallows migrate; they can often be seen congregating on the high wires. When the mornings are cool. fog hangs in the hollows before sunrise. A few Judas maples redden, betraying summer's green. Shiny spicebush, boxwood, greenbriar, and poison ivy berries have formed.

Mind and Body

The S.A.D. Index, which measures seasonal stress on a scale from 1 to 100, rises into the 40s once again as the moon becomes full. It then declines toward the end of the month

into the 30s and finally the 20s. The night is lengthening ever so slowly as Deep Summer deepens, but its effects are usually not apparent until August and the obvious changes in the landscape.

In the Field and Garden

The peach harvest peaks throughout the Poor Will's Almanack Lower Midwest and East. About half the field corn

is silking. Almost half of the soybean crop is in bloom, and summer apples are around a third picked.

In a relatively dry summer, more than three-fourths of the winter wheat has been cut. Elderberries are turning purple, and the second cut of alfalfa is almost always half com-

Aphid infestations increase markedly on the farm and in the garden.

Farmers are getting ready for August seeding of alfalfa, smooth brome grass, orchard grass, tall fescue, red clover and timothy. Set out autumn collards, kale, cabbage and broccoli. Check gourds and squash for beetles and rot.

Almanack Classics The Junk Man's Son By Elizabeth Doren

When I was a child life was simpler. If you needed money, you earned it. No allowance, no handouts, but plenty of jobs. Some were routine, like doing dishes, making your bed, cleaning your room, feeding the chickens, gathering the eggs, pulling weeds in the garden, and a dozen others that you were given by virtue of being a member of the fam-

But in addition to these routine chores there were special nuggets of opportunity, where you worked for real money, and seemingly the sky was the limit of what you might

Back in those days a junk man came around every few months and paid real money for rusty nails and scrap metal of all sorts. Getting rid of rusty nails was a worthy end on a farm powered by horses.

I watched the procedure of taking care of a horse's foot injured by stepping on a nail, in the days before penicillin. My father made a solution of disinfectants and treated the foot twice a day for weeks, or so it seemed to me. He picked up the horse's foot, turned it bottom side up, cleaned it and bathed it with the pink strong-smelling disinfectant.

It worked, and the horse was soon back in harness, and we were paid a penny a pound by the junk man for all the rusty nails we collected around the farm. Some years later we heard that the junk man's son had gone to law school. Our rusty nails traveled far.

(Elisabeth Doren wrote, painted, gardened and tended to children and libraries during her long life. It has been many years since she passed away at the age of 94 and she is missed now more than ever.)

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ago and down 14.7% year to date.

Total packaged fluid milk sales for the five months amounted to 18.7 billion pounds, down 4.8% from 2020. Conventional product sales totaled 17.5 billion pounds, down 5.1%. Organic products, at 1.2 billion pounds, were down 0.4%, and represented 6.4% of total milk sales for the period. The figures represent consumption in Federal milk marketing order areas, which account for approximately 92% of total fluid milk sales in the U.S.

Checking CME dairy prices; the 40 pound Cheddar blocks climbed to \$1.7525 per pound Tuesday, highest since May 13, but then came Wednesday and prices retreated from there. They closed the third Friday of the month at \$1.6150, down 11 cents on the week and \$1.0450 below a year ago when they plunged 25.50 cents, after setting a new record high of \$3.00 per pound on July 13.

The 500 pound barrels got to \$1.6475 Tuesday, highest since June 15, but saw their Friday close at \$1.44, down 14 cents, 99 cents below a year ago, and 17.50 cents below the blocks. 7 cars of block were sold on the week and 27 of barrel.

Spot milk remains widely available in the Midwest, according to Dairy Market News. Cheese production is busy, but a growing number of cheesemakers are staying clear of the spot milk market as they already have plenty. Staffing and labor shortages are becoming more problematic. Cheese demand is steady to busy. Food service orders from the Eastern region, namely pizza cheese buyers, are keeping Midwestern producers busy, says DMN.

continuing shortage of containers for 640-pound cheese is raising concern on the effect on prices. StoneX speculates; "It would seem if we have an issue with 640's, production will flip to 40's and that would mean more lots available to come to spot but it also likely means that the blocks will remain a bit tighter.

That could shift some production to the barrels as well, leaving them a bit over supplied, and could result in a wider block/barrel spread for a period of time."

StoneX adds that; "One area we believe may be underestimated by the trade is schools opening up this August and September. And not just schools, but the expected bump in food service as people cover their grills and eat out more. In fact the confluence of both of these factors is normally known and priced in. But this year it's worth asking if the supply chains have what they need.

Grade A nonfat dry milk saw some ups and downs but ended Friday at \$1.2525, 0.25 cents higher on the week and 25.25 cents above a vear ago, with 13 trades.

Exports are still helping to keep this market above \$1.20, says StoneX, with Mexico holding a large role in keeping demand strong.

Dry whey closed at 53.75 cents per pound, up 3 cents on the week and 20.25 cents above a year ago, on 5 sales.

In politics; the Food and Drug Administration announced a final rule on the standards of identity for vogurt. The National Milk Producers Federation says the new rule defines what is and isn't yogurt and "has much broader, and potentially very positive, implications in one of the most contested consumer issues of the day, the proper labeling of milk and dairy products."

The new rule is modernized to fit changes in yogurt-making technology, according to NMPF, and revokes the previous individual standards of identity for low-fat and nonfat yogurt. Compliance is expected by Jan. 1,

"The new rule is rooted in a response to a citizen's petition from the National Yogurt Association filed in February 2000," NMPF stated. "The slow pace isn't unusual, unfortunately, and undoubtedly there will be quibbles with some details of the 22-page document." NMPF says "FDA's decision is important: It defends principles that support transparent food labeling and protects consumers. And those principles matter well beyond yogurt, with the FDA promising a review of a much larger issue, the labeling of plantbased milk alternatives by next June."

Dairy processors don't agree however and have filed a formal objection to the rule. Dr. Joseph Scimeca, Senior Vice President of Regulatory and Scientific Affairs for the International Dairy Foods Association (IDFA), stated "After 40 years of waiting since FDA first issued standards for yogurt, the FDA dropped a new final rule on the standard of identity for yogurt in late June, underscoring a lack of transparency in the FDA rulemaking process. Because the rulemaking process has been so severely delayed and because the agency has consulted very little with yogurt makers, the final rule is already out of date before it takes effect. For the most part, FDA relied on comments submitted 12 or more years ago to formulate its final rule, as if technology has not progressed or as if the yogurt making process itself has been trapped in amber like a prehistoric fossil."

"Although the IDFA, which represents the nation's yogurt makers, has been offering feedback or assistance to the FDA since it released its initial proposed rule in 2009, the agency has largely ignored our comments and suggested revisions to ensure a modernized standard. The result is a yogurt standard that is woefully behind the times and doesn't match the reality of today's food processing environment or the expectations of consumers. Unfortunately, IDFA has been left with no reasonable options except filing a formal objection to this final rule and imploring the agency to revisit the final rule to amend and truly modernize the standard of identity for yogurt."

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Ten Ohio counties are being added to H20hio incentive program

By CELESTE BAUMGARTNER **Ohio Correspondent**

COLUMBUS, Ohio-The H2Ohio incentive program is expanding into 10 additional counties in the Western Lake Erie Basin (WLEB), according to a recent announcement by Ohio Gov. Michael DeWine and ODA Director Dorothy

This program offers to fund farmers who implement proven conservation practices. It's now open to farmers in Seneca, Huron, Erie, Wyandot, Richland, Shelby, Sandusky, Marion, Ottawa, and Crawford Counties. The goal is to limit phosphorus runoff, the primary factor in harmful algal blooms, in Lake Erie.

Ohio's new bipartisan operating budget provides \$120 million over the next two years to continue and expand funding to farmers who work to reduce phosphorus runoff.

"We are entering year three of the original program for H2Ohio," said Pelanda. "We had the 14 counties of what we call the Lower Maumee River basin focusing on water quality efforts. We offered about \$40 an acre to farmers to engage in one or more practices designed to keep nutrients and water on the land."

That program is showing signs of success, Pelanda said. The best science and data show that within the first year farmers have been able to reduce phosphorous loading in the Maumee basin by 10 percent. Eighteen hundred farmers enrolled more than 1 million acres of cropland in that initial program.

"What that tells us is that we're doing the right things now we just need to get more acreage involved in this program," she said. "Our goal is to enroll about 600,000 acres in these additional 10 counties. The program is different in that we recognized, as we progressed through the original 14 counties, the importance and critical nature of a nutrient management plan."

A nutrient management plan portions out the available manure nutrients in a way that maximizes the economic benefit of the nutrients while minimizing their environmental impact.

During the first year only the producers will be paid to create a nutrient management plan with the

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idea that small grains and some cover crops will also be offered Pelanda said. Thereafter, when ODA has been assured that these producers have the nutrient management plan in place, the other practices that were offered to the original 14 counties will be offered in Phase Two of this new program.

"As we rolled out the program in the 14 counties we realized that some producers were proceeding with some of the practices without having that nutrient management plan in place first," Pelanda explained. "So we learned a lot of good things about the initial program to make it better and more effective as we roll out the program in these new counties."

Enrollment in the program begins in July. There will be various deadlines. ODA is hosting a series of virtual meetings for the 10 newly eligible counties explaining the program and how to enroll.

The meetings will be held:

*July 28 6:00 p.m. *July 29 1:00p.m.

The meetings will be held via Microsoft Teams. More information about the meetings including links to join can be found at h2.ohio.gov.

Pelanda also praised partnership with the Agricultural Conservation Initiative (OACI). This is a group of individuals representing the Farm Bureau, the commodities, and the environmental groups around the state of Ohio, who have come together to help make H2Ohio a success.

"They have been invaluable in making this program a success and we will continue to seek their input and advice and counsel as we move forward with this program," Pelanda said.

Poor Will

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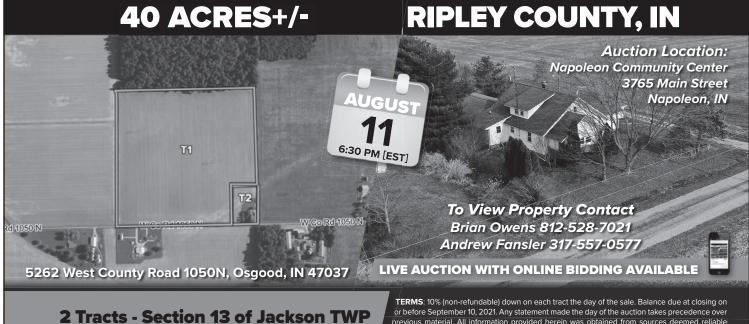
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Indiana DNR brown trout inland hatchery program

SPAULDING OUTDOORS

By Jack Spaulding

The Indiana DNR is expanding its inland trout program to include rearing brown trout in-house at state hatcheries.

In June, Indiana DNR Division of Fish & Wildlife officials received nearly 2,500 brown trout from the Ohio DNR. Most of the trout were stocked into streams

in Northern Indiana, including Pigeon River, Little Elkhart River and Solomon Creek, but 400 were held back at Curtis

Creek Trout Rearing Station to develop as brood stock. The adult trout are used for egg production. Once mature, the adult trout will produce enough fertile eggs to meet the demands of the new rearing program.

"There has been a great deal of angler demand for brown trout here in Northern Indiana," said Matt Horsley, Indiana DNR fisheries biologist. "Hopefully now we can meet those demands with our own source."

Indiana has not had its own brown trout program since 1985. All recent brown trout stockings have either been through privately funded stockings, fish acquired from federal hatcheries or partnerships with hydroelectric companies.

"Hatchery staffs were instrumental in making this happen," Horsley said. "An opportunity arose, and the hatcheries were able to step up and quickly adjust their current programs to accommodate new fish."

Indiana DNR anticipates the first lot of brown trout raised solely within Indiana hatcheries to hit streams by April 2024.

Steelhead brood stock collection

DNR hatchery staff has started collecting adult steelhead to supplement egg collection and rearing efforts scheduled for later this winter.

The strain of steelhead, known as Skamania, begin their spawning migration during the summer months with peak movement in September. Adult fish, referred to as brood stock, are typically harvested through August at a U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service sea lamprey barrier on Trail Creek in Michigan City. The barrier contains a trap allowing DNR staff to capture adult fish. During active migration, harvested adults are transported to Bodine State Fish Hatchery in Mishawaka. There, the fish are placed into a set of two 50-foot raceways.

Collection continues until the goal of 700 fish is met, of which 450 will be females and 250 will be males.

Eggs are collected from early January through mid-February. Known as the spawning season, it will end when 1.2 million eggs are fertilized. The eggs will be enough to satisfy the needs of Indiana and out-ot-state requests from Illinois and Wisconsin.

Indiana-reared Skamania will be stocked into the St. Joseph River, Trail Creek and the East Branch Little Calumet River. Released fish will imprint on the water they were placed in before migrating downstream to Lake Michigan. The fish will roam Lake Michigan for two to three years before returning to the waters in which they were stocked. For some of the trout returning to Trail Creek, the cycle will repeat.

Body Of Connersville man recovered Indiana Conservation Officers have recovered the body of 26-year-old Robert L. Austin, of Connersville, from the Whitewater River. Family notification has been made, and an exact cause of death is pending autopsy results. The incident is still under investigation, and further inquiries should be directed to the Fayette County Sheriff's Office.

Indiana Conservation Officers searched for the missing man in the vicinity of Mahan Park, commonly referred to as "Three-Mile Bridge," near Highway 121 in Connersville.

> After receiving notification from Fayette County Dispatch on July 8 at 5:45pm, Conservation Officers arrived on the scene and discovered a vehicle and several articles belonging Austin.

Conservation Officers, with the assistance from other agencies, searched the Whitewater River with boats and sonar, as well as utilizing an ISP helicopter and drones.

Indiana Conservation Officers were assisted in the recovery by the Everton Fire Department and Fayette County Coroner's Office.

Visit the DNR at the Indiana State Fair Indiana's DNR staff are ready to return to the DNR Building at the Indiana State Fairgrounds They are excited and have a variety of programming and activities planned for fair goers' enjoyment. Join the staff at the Fishin' Pond on opening day, July 30, and on Thursdays, Saturdays and Sundays from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. and 4-7 p.m. DNR staff will be available to answer questions at the DNR information booth. You can also find staff presenting at the Pathway to Water Quality.

Indiana Fishery Biologists know you're excited to see Indiana's fish. Because the fish cannot thrive in the DNR building and outdoor ponds for the entire length of the fair, they will be on display beginning Aug. 11. In their place you'll find opportunities to learn about the White River and dove hunting.

Readers can contact the author by writing to this publication, or e-mail to jackspaulding@hughes.net.

Spaulding's books, "The Best of Spaulding Outdoors," and his latest, "The Coon Hunter And The Kid," are available from Amazon.com.

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Blade; Bush Hog 14' Rotary Chopper; 300 Bu. Gravity Wagon on Truck Gear; 3 Pt. Custom Tile Plow; Plastic Tile Cart; 3 Pt. 7.5' Snowblower; Winco PTO Generator; AC WD

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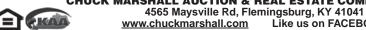
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North Carolina governor approves streamlined digester permit process

RALEIGH, N.C. (AP) – A streamlined ed to last five years – within 90 days, or permitting process for hog farmers who also want to convert methane from waste ponds into energy will begin after Gov. Roy Cooper signed the legislature's annual agriculture bill into law

The Democratic governor decided the measure will be enacted, despite dozens of environmental, civil rights and community groups urging him to veto the bill due to "general permit" language for biomass operations contained inside. Cooper had until July 11 to act on the measure or it would become law with-

The farm measure was one of 11 that Cooper signed into law, but he provided no statement on the measure with that announcement. He also vetoed a bill that would have ended additional federal unemployment benefits created during the pandemic.

The farm measure directs the Environmental Management Commission, a part of the Department of Environmental Quality, to develop a "general permit" for animal farm operations that allow the owner to construct and operate a farm digester system.

Until now, digester operators had to seek an individual permit, which can be time-consuming for the farmer and usually gives the public the chance to comment on the request at a hearing. The new law says environmental regulators must decide on a farm and biogas general permit application - expectit's otherwise considered approved.

The pork industry backed the change, saying biogas operations on farms are very similar in scope and the federal government has encouraged as a way to produce cleaner energy. Smithfield Foods and Dominion Energy are developing a project in which trapped gas from hog farms gets pumped to a refining facility proposed in Duplin County.

Critics of the change said the new permit process would narrow the timeframe for input from farm neighbors and build more disincentives for farmers to move away from lagoon-and-sprayfield waste systems and toward environmentally superior waste disposal.

That technology is still considered by the industry as economically infeasible. But opponents of the measure said the lagoon disposal methods and resulting odors keep contributing to health troubles for people living near the farms and to pollution.

Eight Senate Democrats and 14 House Democrats had joined all Republicans present in voting for the final piece of legislation. The margins suggested there could have been enough votes to override a Cooper veto.

The North Carolina Farm Act of 2021 contains changes in a dozen categories, including increased punishments for stealing timber and clarified overtime compensation rules for state forest service firefighters.



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Hamilton County, IN: July 28 - July 29 (ONLINE) 87.86+/- Acres • 4 Tracts

Grid Tiled Farmland • Potential Building Sites Contact: Sam Clark 317.442.0251 | Jim Clark 765.659.4841

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Contact: Larry Jordan 765.473.5849 | John Miner 765.438.2699 AJ Jordan 317.697.3086

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Contact: Jon Rosen 260.740.1846 | Neal Wolheter 260.336.2219

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Preble County, OH: August 26 • 590+/- Acres • 7 Tracts L&M Products Banquet Hall • Productive Farmland

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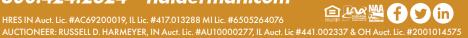
Wells County, IN: Agland Grain, Inc. 11.13^{+/-} Acres

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JUL 22 OSGOOD, INDIANA: Mink Farms 194 — Schrader Real Estate & Auction Co., Inc.. Real estate.. 6 pm

JUL 24 LOUISVILLE, ILLINOIS: Ed Lewis — Schmid Auction. Reitrement auction, farm equipment.. 11 am

JUL 24 CEDAR LAKE, INDIANA: Neitzel — Schrader Real Estate & Auction Co., Inc.. Farm equipment.. 10:30 am

JUL 24 ODON, INDIANA: Hadler Estate — J. Yagle Auction Serice. Antique tractor, tractor, implements, truck, trailers, other.. 9 am EST

JUL 24 SUMMITVILLE, INDIANA: James Cawthorn — Price-Leffler Auctioneers. Farm equipment.. 10 am

JUL 24 BURLINGTON, MICHIGAN: Rocco — Brian Hasty Auctioneer. JD tractor, toy tractor collection, collectibles.. 10 am SEE AD ON PAGE 9B

JUL 27 STREATOR, ILLINOIS: Vial Bradleys Auction Service. Farm equipment, misc.. 10 am

JUL 27 MITCHELL, INDIANA: Parks Estate — Beckort Auctons, LLC. Online Only, farm equipment.. no time goven

JUL 28 GALVESTON, INDIANA: Dr. George Bailey Estate — Craft & Michael Auctioneers. Tractors, hay & farming equipment, other.. 10 am **SEE AD ON PAGE 8B**

JUL 29 GREENSBURG, INDIANA: Land Auction #2014 — Landproz, Brian Owens. 32 +/- acres in Decatur County, IN.. 6:30 pm

JUL 29 SULLIVAN, INDIANA: William Tatom Estate — Jeff Boston Auction Service. Online Only, tools and equpment.. 6 pm EST SEE AD ON PAGE 8B

JUL 30 OTTAWA, OHIO: Brandon Good - Siefker Auctions. Construction company dispersal.. 9 am SEE AD ON PAGE 14B

JUL 31 BLOOMFIELD, INDIANA: Land Auction — LandProz, Brian Owens. Personal property and real estate.. 10:30 am

JUL 31 EWING, KENTUCKY: Fred Rose Estate — Chuck Marshall Auction & R.E.. Dozer, tractors, farm equipment, vehicles, mowers.. 9 am SEE **AD ON PAGE 13B**

JUL 31 SIMPSONVILLE, KENTUCKY: Trumbo — Potts Auction, Inc., Retirement auction.. 9 am SEE AD ON PAGE

JUL 31 PARIS, MISSOURI: Consignment — Wheeler Auctions & Real Estate. 2000+ pieces of machinery.. 9 am SEE AD ON PAGE 14B

AUG 5 SHELBYVILLE. INDIANA: Stohrv Estate — Jeff Boone Auctions. Farm, ditching and construction equipment, misc.. 10 am EST SEE AD ON PAGE

AUG 6 WATSEKA. ILLINOIS: Lessing-Petersen Trust — Mike Peterson Auctioneers. Real estate.. 6 pm SEE **AD ON PAGE 12B**

AUG 6 MCCOMB, OHIO: Sandman Farms, LLC — Siefker Auctions. Farm equipment, other.. 9 am SEE AD ON **PAGE 12B**

AUG 7 CISSNA PARK, ILLINOIS: Hettich — Decker R.E. & Auction, Farm related collectibles, tools, misc., 9:30 am CDT SEE AD ON PAGE 10B

AUG 11 NAPOLEION, INDIANA: Land Auction 2088 — Landproz. Brian Owens. Real estate in Riley County, IN. 6:30 pm SEE AD ON PAGE 11B

AUG 12 WILMINGTON, OHIO: Consignment — The Wendt Group. Surplus equipment.. 10:30 am

AUG 17 GREENSBURG, INDIANA: Auction 2092 — Landproz, Brian Owens. Real estate in Decatur County, IN... 6:30 pm EST SEE AD ON PAGE 10B

AUG 17 WINCHESTER, INDIANA: Jordan 192 - Schrader Real Estate & Auction Co., Inc., Real estate., 11 am **SEE AD ON PAGE 10B**

AUG 19 KNIGHTSTOWN, INDIANA: Javca LLC — Schrader Real Estate & Auction Co., Inc., Real estate., 6 pm **SEE AD ON PAGE 8B**

AUG 23 TIPTON, INDIANA: Grishaw — Halderman Real Estate. Real estate.. 6:30 pm EST SEE AD ON PAGE 11B

AUG 24 KENDALLVILLE, INDIANA: Imes and Crawford — Halderman Real Estate. Real estate.. 6:30 am **EST SEE AD ON PAGE 8B**

AUG 25 MONTICELLO, INDIANA: Scherer — Halderman Real Estate. Real estate.. 6:30 pm EST SEE AD ON **PAGE 12B**

AUG 26 EATON, OHIO: Naamanside Farms — Halderman Real Estate. Real estate.. 6:30 pm EST SEE AD ON PAGE 9B

AUG 28 WINCHESTER, OHIO: Baxla **Tractor Consignment — Hess Auction** Co.. Farm equipment and machinery...

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w/18' Flatbed/Service Truck, Cat Eng, 6sp, 48K Miles; SHARP LOW MILEAGE PICKUPS & WORK TRUCKS * AUTOS * TRUCK CAPS 2012 Chevy 3500HD Dually w/Cap, 4x4, 4 Dr, Alum Wheels, Duramax 6.6 HD, Auto, ONLY 2,733 ACTUAL Miles, LİKE NEW; 2009 Chevy 2500HD Z71 Extended Cab w/Cap, 2WD, Duramax, Auto, 6' Bed, ONLY 14K Miles; 2015 Chevy 2500HD Z71, 4x4 Pickup w/Cap,

4 Dr, 8' Bed, 6.0 Gas Eng., Auto, ONLY 26K Miles, TRACTOR * EQUIPMENT * COMPACTORS * SHOP & POWER TOOLS

2018 MF GC1705 Compact Tractor, 4x4, DL95 Loader, 60" Mower, Hyd remote, ONLY 21 Hrs; Woods RTR Tiller; Iron King 8' Disc; Landpride 7' Hyd Tooth Box Blade; Cat H 45 Hyd Jack Hammer; Plate Compactors; Power Trowels; Walk Behind Concrete Saw; Generators; Quick Attach Adaptors; Laser; Grade Stakes; Laser Stands; Levels: Power Washer w/Heat: New Robin Transfer Pump Concrete Trowels: Concrete Bull Floats: Razorback 38 Power Screen; Several Fuel Tanks; 84" Rock Bucket; Material Bucket; Several Boxes; 17'x8' Steel Floor Flatbed w/Bulkhead; 14.6'x90' Steel Floor Flatbed w/Bulkhead;

2013 Simplicity 4x4 Legacy XL Lawn Mower, Diesel, 60" Deck, 3pt, Hyd, 316 Hrs; 2007 Honda Rincon TRX680 FA, 4x4, Windshield, Alum Wheels, 344 Mi., SHARP; 2007 Suzuki Burgman 650 Scooter, 4946 Mi.

16'x93"x42" Flatbed, Hoist; Catch Basins & Grates; Man

CONSIGNED >>> 2004 Chevy Avalanche 2500, 8.1 Liter, Big Block, 4x4, Loaded, 37K Miles, LIKE NEW; 2000 Ford F-250 Super Cab XLT, Gas, 83K Miles, NICE; 1999 Ford F-550 Crew Cab, 4x4, 7.3 Power Stroke Diesel, Gooseneck Hauler, 95K Miles; 2006 Chevy Suburban Z71, 4x4,

1998 IH 4900 SA Dump Truck w/10' Bed, DT466E, 6sp, 29K Miles; 1994 Auto Car Tandem Dump Truck, 3rd Air Axle, 3306 Cat, Fuller RTA, 187K Miles; 1996 IH 9200 Tandem Semi Tractor, 165wb, M11 Cumm, 9sp, Wet Line, 263K Miles; 1986 IH S1900 w/14' Flatbed, Hoist, DT466, 7sp, 290K Miles; 1990 Rogers 35 Ton Detach Trailer, 22' Lower Deck 9' Rear Deck, Newer Gas Hyd. Unit "VERY SHARP"; Cronkhite 18'x81" 2 Axle Trailer; 20'x81" 2 Axle Trailer; 2001 Hudson 2 Axle 17' Trailer, 6000# Axle; Miko 12'x77" Single Axle Tilt Trailer, Pinto Hitch; 2004 United 12.6'x72" and 16.6'x84" Single Axle Enclosed Trailers w/Side Doors.

{REBUILT/ SALVAGE TITLE}; 2000 Chevy 3500 Dually w/Cap, 2WD, 6.5 Turbo, Diesel, Auto, 206K Miles; 2003 Chevy Suburban, 4x4, 5.3 Gas Eng., Auto, 104K Miles; 1998 Chevy Suburban, 4x4, Gas, Auto; 2003 Pontiac Montana Van. Gas. Auto. 29K Miles: Truck Caps.

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Including Flooring, Guns. Vintage Advertising, Antiques, Tools, Equipment, New **Building Supplies And More...**



including Tractors, Forklifts, **Excavators, Skid Steers, Trucks,**

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