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### **3.1.2022 Updates from Cornell Cooperative Extension's SWNY Dairy, Livestock, and Field Crops Program**

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#### **February Dairy Market Watch by Katelyn Walley-Stoll**

With 20 days until spring, mask mandates being lifted all across the country, and a brighter milk price outlook – things seem to be (finally) headed in the right direction. However, there are also some dark clouds on the horizon – rising costs of production, inflation and increasing interest rates, unavailability of labor, and global unrest stemming from Russia's invasion of Ukraine – which will all put a damper on our optimistic outlook that comes with every spring season.

#### **Tips for Successful Frost Seeding**

[Frost seeding is a low input and low disturbance method of improving pastures and hayfields. If potential pitfalls are addressed prior to seed getting on the ground, it can result in a more productive stand.](#)

#### **USDA Announces Grant to Expand Meat and Poultry Processing**

This grant program provides funds to help eligible processors expand their capacity through building additional facilities, modernizing facilities/equipment, converting to USDA inspection, and other activities. Applications are due by April 11th.

#### **Tell us about your farm's weed issues!**

The Cornell Weed Ecology lab is conducting a survey on the most common weeds and the most difficult to manage weeds on dairy and field crop farms in New York State. If you grow corn, soy, hay, pasture, or small grains in New York State, please fill a [5-minute survey](#) from the Cornell Weed Ecology Lab.

#### **Do you have reliable Broadband Access?**

[COVID has brought to light the inequities that exist in our rural communities that lack adequate broadband access. From attending CCE virtual events to virtual learning in our schools, and even adapting new technologies on farms, residents of SWNY have been left behind without this crucial resource. Let New York State know about your broadband needs and access by taking their "Advancing Broadband for New York" survey here. If you'd like a paper survey call 1-855-692-2627.](#)

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