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8.27.2020 Updates from the SWNY Dairy, Livestock, and Field Crops Program

CORE Pesticide Training and Pasture Management Series

Join us for another round of CORE training to obtain your pesticide license or receive DEC recertification credits. [Register](#) online for the [September 22nd](#) or our [September 24th](#) class for only \$20. Also, join [Josh](#) and [Amy](#) as they explore new ways of providing growers with timely information on pasture management. Series registration and information can be found on our [website](#). We hope to see you there!

Dairy Market Watch Now Available – August 2020

Read this month's commentary and market prices from [Katelyn Walley-Stoll](#). Dairy Market Watch is an educational newsletter to keep producers informed of changing market factors affecting the dairy industry.

2020 Changes to New York Farm Labor Laws: Recording & Presentation

New York's farm labor laws changed greatly with the 2019 Farm Laborer Fair Labor Practices Act (FLFLPA), the laws changed again this year when several amendments were included in the Budget Act in 2020. On August 17, 2020, [Cornell Ag Workforce Development](#) and [Northeast Dairy Producers Association](#) (NEDPA) recorded a webinar to help all farmers understand the changes. Find below links to a PDF of the presentation with active links and a recording of "2020 Updates to New York Farm Labor Laws." Link to a [PDF of the meeting presentation](#), including links to additional information. Link to a [recording of the webinar](#).

Managing Pinkeye in Cattle

Pinkeye is a highly contagious disease of cattle, which can cause discomfort for the animal, blindness, and production losses. It develops when the presence of the causative bacterium, *Moraxella bovis*, couples with environmental factors that weaken the eye, allowing the bacteria to enter and begin the infection. Early identification and treatment are important in addition to Integrated Pest Management (IPM) measures to control face flies, which are known to rapidly spread the disease. For more information on management options, contact Livestock and Beginning Farm Specialist, Amy Barkley, at amb544@cornell.edu or (716) 640-0844.

Southwest NY Field Crop Chronicle: NYS Forage Exchange Website and Weed Seed Collection

This week, Cornell Cooperative Extension announces the [NYS Forage Exchange Website](#). Find potential sellers and buyers of forage within the state. In addition, researchers and state extension specialists are working to help producers monitor herbicide resistance in certain weed species in the state. If you think you have a weed species that survived a herbicide application, contact Field Crops Specialist [Josh Putman](#).

Corn Silage Harvest Considerations Podcast Series

EPISODE 1 - Corn Silage 2020 Season Recap: Ron Kuck, Dairy Educator, CCE of Cayuga County and Joe Lawrence, Forage Management Specialist, Cornell CALS PRO-DAIRY kick off this podcast series by discussing the 2020 growing season. They discuss the impact weather has had on the growing season and what to consider when assessing fields, staging harvest, whole plant DM in decision making, storage planning and what to do if you're short of space.

English/Spanish Resource to Assist Farm Employees to Testify at the Wage Board

Many farms are encouraging their employees to speak out at the [wage board hearings](#) on August 26, 27 and 31. Cornell's [NWNYS Extension team](#) just released a [short message in English and Spanish](#) to help farm owners and employees better communicate about the wage board and the opportunity to speak.

Safe Harvest 2020: COVID-19 Office Hours

Cornell CALS and CCE are hosting weekly office hours for farmers and packers to answer any questions they might have about managing and responding to protect the farm workforce during COVID-19. Participants will be able to log in from a computer or call in from a phone to ask questions or just listen. A panel of experts will be available to answer questions, and office hours will repeat every Tuesday at 4pm through the end of September. [Register online to receive a link to all office hours dates](#). Registration is free but required.

Upcoming Events

Our team has been keeping our [events page on our website](#) as up to date as possible. You'll find SWNYDLFC generated programming and more. Several of our industry partners have been providing helpful webinars to help keep producers up-to-date while also addressing seasonal needs.

You are receiving this email because you have enrolled/subscribed to the SWNY Dairy, Livestock, and Field Crops Program through your local county extension office or through our contact form. To discontinue receiving updates from our program, simply reply to this email with "stop". If you have any questions, please reach out. If you know of someone who would benefit from our team's resources or is interested in learning more, please share the online contact form available at: https://cornell.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_eVG2c8y0BtXaRgx

IMPORTANT NOTE FROM OUR TEAM: Cornell Cooperative Extension's Southwest New York Dairy, Livestock, and Field Crops Program prioritizes the health, safety, and well-being of our staff, constituents, and community members. ***We are dedicated to continuing our exceptional programming and support services for the agricultural community in our region during this time of uncertainty.*** Our team is continuing to answer requests for phone, email, and mail consultations while developing research-based virtual programming and resources to support our farm businesses. We are still able to travel throughout the region to conduct on-farm visits and research while following proper social distancing guidelines. We continue to communicate via weekly email updates

and have increased our paper mailings. We are proud to be in positions where we can help farmers manage their businesses during this time and hope that you and your family stay safe and healthy!

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[Cornell Cooperative Extension: Helping New Yorkers Thrive \(VIDEO\)](#)

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[NY Eden Provides Drought Management Resources](#)

COVID-19 response:

Need information? View the following Cornell CALS and CCE Resource Pages Updated Regularly

General Questions & Links:

<https://eden.cce.cornell.edu/>

Food Production, Processing & Safety Questions:

<https://instituteforfoodsafety.cornell.edu/coronavirus-covid-19/>

Employment & Agricultural Workforce Questions:

<http://agworkforce.cals.cornell.edu/>

Cornell Small Farms Resiliency Resources:

<https://smallfarms.cornell.edu/resources/farm-resilience/>

Financial & Mental Health Resources for Farmers:

<https://www.nyfarmnet.org/>

Cornell Farmworker Program

www.farmworkers.cornell.edu

www.trabajadores.cornell.edu (en espanol)