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8.06.2026 Updates from Cornell Cooperative Extension's SWNY Dairy, Livestock & Field Crops Program

A partnership between [Cornell University](#) and the Cornell Cooperative Extension Associations in these five counties: [Allegany](#), [Cattaraugus](#), [Chautauqua](#), [Erie](#), and [Steuben](#).

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Livestock Production Field Day

Join us on visits to Horizon Ridge Farm in East Aurora and Troll Bridge Farm in Chaffee for an introduction to small beef and small diversified livestock enterprises. Through walking farm tours, attendees will learn about management, meat processing, setting prices, and finding local markets. Dinner will be provided. Register by clicking the link above or by contacting Amy Barkley at amb544@cornell.edu or 716-640-0844.

Pest Management Practices Survey for Field Crops

Cornell University and Cornell Integrated Pest Management are seeking input from New York field crop producers to better understand current pest management practices, the use of Integrated Pest Management (IPM), and how growers make pest management decisions. The survey also asks about growers' expectations regarding future pest management challenges and management options. Your responses will help identify research priorities, guide Extension programming, and improve the information and decision-support resources available to New York producers. The [survey](#) takes approximately 20 minutes to complete and is confidential.

Registration Now Open for 2026 Farm Employer Overtime Tax Credit

New York's Department of Agriculture and Markets announced this week that registration is open for the 2026 Farm Employer Overtime Tax Credit. There is a new requirement for year-end certificates and links to helpful resources.

USDA Designates Multiple New York Counties as Natural Disaster Areas Due to Weather

Due to flooding and freezes earlier this year, USDA-FSIS has emergency loans available for farms that experienced losses as a result of these natural disasters. Steuben (primary), Allegany, and Erie County farmers are eligible from the frost and freeze from 4/19/2026-4/21/2026 and Erie (primary), Cattaraugus, and Chautauqua Counties are eligible from the excessive rain, flooding, and flash flooding from 3/31/2026 – 4/1/2026.

Upcoming Events			
For more information and to register, click on the title hyperlinks.			
Title	Date(s)	Location	Time
<u>Large Animal Awareness Training for First Responders</u>	September 19	Dunkirk (Chautauqua)	8am-1pm
<u>New York State Agritourism Conference</u>	November 4 & 5	Geneva (Ontario)	All Day
*Denotes that the event is hosted by, or includes speakers from, SWNYDLFC.			

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