



Regional Team Operations during COVID-19

Dear farmers, ag businesses, partners and friends,

Our South Central NY Dairy and Field Crops Team is open for business! We are responding to COVID-19 social distancing and NYS workplace mandates by working from our home offices. We will be avoiding person-to-person contact to reduce risk of spreading the novel coronavirus. However, our staff are available during normal business hours for communications and information requests. We are as committed as ever to supporting the essential work of farmers and the agricultural industry, and we would love to hear from you! We will do our best to be your agricultural information resource during this extremely challenging time.

- We are here to support you, and we are only a phone call, text, or email away. Please contact us with any questions or concerns. Contact information is provided below.
- For some inquiries, we may ask you to share photos or other electronic records so that we can provide recommendations and guidance remotely. Staff may be able to conduct farm and field visits to assess crop and livestock issues. For our safety and yours, we will not be able to have direct contact with any people on the farm during those visits.
- All in-person meetings and group programs are suspended. We are expanding efforts to offer educational resources and programming that you can access from home. For the latest program information and updates, please visit our website (<https://scnydfc.cce.cornell.edu>), subscribe to our blog (<https://blogs.cornell.edu/scnydairyandfieldcrops>), and follow us on Facebook (<https://www.facebook.com/SCNYDairyandFieldCropsTeam>).
- Cornell Cooperative Extension county offices are operational, but they are closed to the public following NYS workplace mandates. You can reach county CCE staff by phone or email.

The COVID-19 situation is new and rapidly changing, and its trajectory and impacts are uncertain. This is a stressful time for everyone. We will continue to share updated information and resources that can help you to manage the impact of COVID-19 on your farm. If you have ideas for specific programming or information needs, please let us know. We value your leadership and appreciate all that you do provide food and other essential services in our community. Please be safe and take care of the important people and animals in your life!

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