Ag Extension Update – September 9, 2019
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Programs completed:
- Pesticide Applicator Training, Elkhorn, February 7
- Dairy Margin Protection, Burlington, February 8 and June 26
- Beef Quality Assurance, Whitewater, February 19
- Youth for the Quality Care of Animals, Elkhorn, March 21 and April 9
- Your Farm’s Future: A blueprint to move your farm forward, Burlington, March 20
- Preparing for Farm Rescues, Walworth, April 1
- Youth Tractor Safety, Burlington, June 17-21
- Grow “Farm Culture” for Business Success, Watertown, August 12

Upcoming programs:
- Ready, Set, Farm at Farm Aid Concert in East Troy, September 21
- Farm Rescues: Harvest Hazards at Schmaling Farm in Delavan, September 30

State Program Teams:
- Primary Emphasis: Farm Management Program
  - HR Management Workgroup, Co-chair
  - Member of the Farm Succession Workgroup
- Secondary Emphasis: Dairy Program
  - Member of the Animal Welfare Workgroup

County Events: Dairy Breakfast, Prairie Walk, County Fair

State Events: WI Farm Show, Toward One Wisconsin, Farm Tech Days, World Dairy Expo

Professional Development:
- Beef Quality Assurance, Train-the-Trainer, January 19, Appleton, WI
- New Hire Onboarding Cohort, February 20-21, Madison; May 8-9, Stevens Point, WI
- Farm Risk Management National Conference, April 2-4, Louisville, KY
- Farm HR Management: Becoming an Employer of Choice, May 2-3, Madison, WI
- Farm Transitions, June 24-25, Madison, WI

Articles Published:
  Writing Farm Job Descriptions, June 2019, Wisconsin Agriculturist
  Managing Employee Conflict, June 28, 2019, Wisconsin State Farmer

Upcoming articles:
  Dec. 2019, Wisconsin State Farmer, Farm Safety: Avoiding Slips, Trips & Falls
  March 2020, Wisconsin Agriculturist, Interviewing Dairy Farm Workers
Pesticide Applicator Training

Your Farm’s Future

Youth Tractor Safety

Beef Quality Assurance

Grow A Farm Culture