

## DATCP REPORT

October 2014

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### Soil and Water Resource Management Grants

- The SWRM Grant Program website is now more user-friendly, and has updated forms, reimbursement examples, and easier access to guidance on the SWRM grant program. Access the updated website [here](#)<sup>1</sup>.

### Land and Water Resource Management Plans and Ordinances

- DATCP is beginning to contact the 24 counties whose LWRM plans expire in 2015. With this large number of counties needing time before the LWCB, scheduling will be an issue. Counties with expiring plans may be eligible for a five year extension of their plans or may be required to develop a 10 year plan. DATCP and DNR will also be asking these counties to consider preparing plan revisions that include planning elements required for Sec. 319 funding.
- Thirty-one counties have manure storage ordinances adopted prior to 2005, and many of these pre-date the NR 151 standards of 2002. Nearly half of the counties with out-of-date ordinances will be working on LWRM plan revisions. Counties can speak with Lisa Trumble, [Lisa.Trumble@wi.gov](mailto:Lisa.Trumble@wi.gov), about combining efforts to revise plans and ordinances during the same year. The DATCP webpage has a list of all counties that have current manure storage ordinances available on their websites.

### Nutrient Management

- The UW Nutrient and Pest Management program has been busy working with DATCP staff to develop new and update existing nutrient management publications and SnapPlus training documents for both trainers and trainees. The new publications can be found on the DATCP website, and include a grouping of documents for [trainers](#)<sup>2</sup> and a grouping of documents for [farmers](#)<sup>3</sup>.
- The Quality Assurance Team (QAT) met on Thursday, September 11<sup>th</sup> to review nutrient management plans developed by farmers and agronomists. The QAT reviews one plan from each county in WI for compliance with all aspects of the 590 NM standard. The goal of the QAT is to educate nutrient management plan writers and local, state, and federal NM staff on areas of planning that may need additional focus and attention to ensure plans are complying with the 590. Results are being compiled and will be distributed in November.

### Farmland Preservation

- DATCP recently certified farmland preservation ordinances for the Town of Rosendale (Fond du Lac County), the Town of Holland (Brown County), and the Town of Janesville (Rock County)
- The request for petitions for designation of Agricultural Enterprise Areas (AEAs) was recently announced. The deadline for completed petitions is April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2015. Contact Coreen Fallat at [Coreen.Fallat@wisconsin.gov](mailto:Coreen.Fallat@wisconsin.gov) with questions about the AEA petition process and requirements.
- Local governments that have existing AEAs should send farmland preservation agreements applications to DATCP by October 31<sup>st</sup> to ensure there is enough time for staff to process the contract by the end of the year. Contact Kris Modaff at [Kris.Modaff@wisconsin.gov](mailto:Kris.Modaff@wisconsin.gov) with questions about farmland preservation agreements.

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<sup>1</sup> [http://datcp.wi.gov/Environment/Land\\_and\\_Water\\_Conservation/SWRM\\_Grant\\_Program\\_Working\\_Manual/index.aspx](http://datcp.wi.gov/Environment/Land_and_Water_Conservation/SWRM_Grant_Program_Working_Manual/index.aspx)

<sup>2</sup> <http://www.privacy.wi.gov/uploads/Farms/pdf/TrainerManuala.pdf>

<sup>3</sup> <http://datcp.wi.gov/uploads/Farms/pdf/FarmerTrainingManual.pdf>

### **Livestock Facility Siting**

- The Livestock Facility Siting technical review committee met on Thursday, September 18<sup>th</sup> to provide technical advice on livestock facility siting standards. The next committee meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, October 15<sup>th</sup> which will focus on engineering. A November meeting is planned to review nutrient management planning issues.

### **Outreach and Training Events**

- DATCP Land and Water Resources Management (LWRM) planning staff and Farmland Preservation staff are meeting with counties that have both farmland preservation plans and LWRM plans or extensions due in the same year. If you would like to schedule a meeting, contact Lisa Trumble at [Lisa.Trumble@wisconsin.gov](mailto:Lisa.Trumble@wisconsin.gov).
- The Conservation Professional Training (CPT) program recently launched a new [website](#)<sup>4</sup> to streamline course registration and provide information and resources to conservation professionals. Visit the new website to take advantage of an online course catalog, registration and course tracking, interactive communities and discussion groups, courses and events from conservation agencies and partners, a conservation blog, and more. New users can create an account to access information. All existing account holders received an email with instructions to reset passwords, which must occur before accessing the new site.
- New County Conservation Employee training is scheduled for Wednesday, November 12<sup>th</sup> at DATCP in Madison. The one-day training will provide information for new county conservation employees on DATCP, DNR, and NRCS programs and provide an opportunity for county staff to meet with agency staff. If you are interested in attending, contact Lisa Schultz at [LisaJ.Schultz@wisconsin.gov](mailto:LisaJ.Schultz@wisconsin.gov).

### **Staff Updates**

- Katy Vosburg recently accepted the position of Program and Policy Analyst in the Land Management Section. Starting October 6<sup>th</sup>, Katy will review farmland preservation plans and ordinances and help process farmland preservation agreements. In 2013, Katy graduated from the University of Wisconsin with a BA in Political Science and Geography. She started at DATCP as an Operations Program Associate in the Bureau of Land and Water Resources one year ago. Congratulations, Katy!

### **Other Updates**

- DATCP, in partnership with Illinois, Missouri, Minnesota, and Iowa, developed a full proposal to the NRCS RCPP program focusing on nutrient reduction in the Mississippi River Basin. The proposal will target nutrient reduction in the Black/Buffalo/Trempealeau and Grant/Platte/Sugar/Pecatonica basins and a portion of the Lower Rock river basin. Thank you to all of the counties and partners that agreed to participate in the project and provided information and letters of support for the proposal.

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<sup>4</sup> <http://conservation-training.uwex.edu/>

**2014 CROP PRICE PROPOSAL**

Jefferson COUNTY

<u>CROP</u>	<u>PRICE PROPOSED</u>	<u>If different than price proposed PRICE APPROVED</u>
<b><u>HAY:</u></b>		
Alfalfa	\$194.12 / Ton	\$ _____
Alfalfa- mix	\$130.68 / Ton	\$ _____
Straw	\$ 99.99 / Ton	\$ _____
<b><u>GRAINS:</u></b>		
*Barley	\$ 4.05 / Bushel	\$ _____
*Corn, Field	\$ 4.15 / Bushel	\$ _____
*Oats	\$ 3.94 / Bushel	\$ _____
*Rye	\$ na	\$ _____
*Soybeans	\$11.93 / Bushel	\$ _____
*Wheat	\$ 5.65 / Bushel	\$ _____
<b><u>APIARIES:</u></b>		
Hive bodies 9 5/8"	\$14.82 / each	\$ _____
Hive bodies 6 5/8"	\$11.38 / each	\$ _____
Frames 9 1/8"	\$ 1.18 / each	\$ _____
Frames 6 1/4"	\$ 1.15 / each	\$ _____
Foundation 9 1/8"	\$ 1.54 / each	\$ _____
Foundation 5 5/8"	\$ 1.13 / each	\$ _____
Bottom Board	\$12.88 / each	\$ _____
Inner Cover	\$11.90 / each	\$ _____
Top Cover	\$20.82 / each	\$ _____
Queen Excluder	\$12.78 / each	\$ _____
3# nuc w/ queen	\$98.50 / each	\$ _____
2# nuc w/ queen	\$86.75 / each	\$ _____
Honey	\$ 2.25/ pound	\$ _____
<b><u>APPLES:</u></b>		
Specialty Varieties		
Wholesale	\$63.75 / bushel	\$ _____
Retail	\$82.77 / bushel	\$ _____
Common Varieties		
Wholesale	\$26.00 / bushel	\$ _____
Retail	\$51.30 / bushel	\$ _____
Apple Trees		
(7 year old -Honey Crisp)	\$50.00 / each	\$ _____
<b><u>CHRISTMAS TREES:</u></b>		
Balsam Fir:	\$25.90	\$ _____
Douglas Fir:	\$36.00	\$ _____
Frasier Fir:	\$35.64	\$ _____
Spruce:	\$22.13	\$ _____
Scotch Pine:	\$19.72	\$ _____
White Pine:	\$20.66	\$ _____

**ORGANIC GRAINS & HAY**

Alfalfa	\$240.00 /Ton	\$ _____
Barley	\$ 9.06 / Bushel	\$ _____
Corn, field	\$ 11.44 / Bushel	\$ _____
Oats	\$ 5.44 / Bushel	\$ _____
Rye	\$ 9.00 / Bushel	\$ _____
Soybeans	\$ 25.76 / Bushel	\$ _____
Wheat	\$ 12.20 / Bushel	\$ _____

**VEGETABLE/CANNING CROPS:**

Sweet Corn	\$ 87.89 / Ton	\$ _____
Snap Beans	\$159.60 / Ton	\$ _____
Peas	\$ 16.33 / cwt or \$326.60 / T	\$ _____
Carrots	\$ 56.21 / Ton	\$ _____
Beets	\$ 46.33 / Ton	\$ _____
Lima Beans	\$ 27.03 / cwt	_____
Potatoes	\$ 10.62 / cwt	\$ _____
Cabbage	\$ 82.50 / Ton	_____

**FRESH MARKET PRODUCE**

Swiss Chard	\$ 1.13 / bunch(plant)	\$ _____
Pumpkins	\$ 3.67 / each	\$ _____

Approved By \_\_\_\_\_ County: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Section \*IV - COUNTY BUDGET/FINANCIAL PLAN - required by all Parties  
 JEFFERSON County (Cooperator)

Cost Element	Price Charged to Cooperator, paid to APHIS WS	Additional W/DNR Funding Requested By Cooperator (County is reimbursed directly from W/DNR)	Cost Shared by WS	Full Cost
Salaries (includes venison donation)	\$ 5,735.94	\$ -	\$ 2,761.76	\$ 8,497.70
Abatement Materials (includes temp fence, repellent, bear abatement, other abatement)	\$ 607.58	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 607.58
Mileage	\$ 270.76	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 270.76
<b>Subtotal Direct Costs</b>	<b>\$ 6,614.28</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 2,761.76</b>	<b>\$ 9,376.04</b>
Pooled job costs (ex, vehicle usage, etc)	\$ 727.57	\$ -	\$ na	\$ 727.57
Deer Donation Processing	\$ na	\$ 4,840.00	\$ na	\$ 4,840.00
County Administration	\$ na	\$ 250.00	\$ na	\$ 250.00
Indirect Costs (Administrative Overhead)	\$ 1,068.21	\$ -	\$ na	\$ 1,068.21
Permanent Fence	\$ na	\$ -	\$ na	\$ -
<b>Agreement Total</b>	<b>\$ 8,410.06</b>	<b>\$ 5,090.00</b>	<b>\$ 2,761.76</b>	<b>\$ 16,261.82</b>
The distribution of the budget (with the exception of the mandatory percentage line items) from this Financial Plan may vary as necessary to accomplish the purpose of this agreement, but may not exceed:				<b>\$ 13,500.06</b>

We expect to assist 10-15 growers with damage that may result in wildlife damage requests equaling or exceeding \$5,000 worth of claims.

Signatures of Intention:

COUNTY: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

WDNR: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

USDA-APHIS-WS: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

JEFFERSON County (Cooperator)  
2015

Approved amount to be provided by:

	County Request	*County Admin	USDA-WS Funding	Approved	WDNR Funding	Approved	Total Funding	Approved
Salaries-(*includes County Admin)	\$ 5,825.94	\$ 250.00	\$	2,761.76	\$ 5,825.94	\$	\$ 8,587.70	\$
Mileage & Travel	\$ 998.33		\$	-	\$ 998.33	\$	\$ 998.33	\$
Office Overhead	\$ 1,068.21		\$	-	\$ 1,068.21	\$	\$ 1,068.21	\$
Permanent Fencing	\$ -		\$	-	\$ -	\$	\$ -	\$
Temporary Fencing	\$ 541.52		\$	-	\$ 541.52	\$	\$ 541.52	\$
Bear Abatement	\$ 43.32		\$	-	\$ 43.32	\$	\$ 43.32	\$
Repellant	\$ 1.08		\$	-	\$ 1.08	\$	\$ 1.08	\$
Other Abatement	\$ 21.66		\$	-	\$ 21.66	\$	\$ 21.66	\$
Venison Admin	\$ 160.00		\$	-	\$ 160.00	\$	\$ 160.00	\$
Venison Processing	\$ 4,840.00		\$	-	\$ 4,840.00	\$	\$ 4,840.00	\$
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 13,500.06</b>		<b>\$</b>	<b>2,761.76</b>	<b>\$ 13,500.06</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$ 16,261.82</b>	<b>\$</b>

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## WHAT HAPPENS TO THE COLLECTED PLASTIC?

The collected plastic is sent to a processing facility where it is manufactured into interlocking plastic sidewalk tiles.



## WHY SHOULDN'T I BURN MY WASTE PLASTIC?

- What's so bad about burning plastic?

**It is unhealthy.** Burning plastics releases toxic and potentially cancer causing chemicals into the air.

**It pollutes.** Toxins released into the air during burning can fall on our soils and in our water.

**It is unsafe.** Burning garbage or brush can lead to wildfires, property damage and sometimes loss of life.

**The smoke and ash can irritate eyes and lungs,** which is especially bad for people with asthma or heart disease.

- It is illegal to burn any plastics in Wisconsin.

Under no circumstances should plastics, including film and ag plastics, be burned, even on your property.

*"It is illegal to burn asphalt, garbage, metal, petroleum products, plastics, rubber and painted or treated wood. These materials release toxic pollutants into the air and are recognized as a significant health risk and public nuisance. Burning recyclable paper or cardboard is also prohibited."*

— WDNr website

## FILM AND AG

## PLASTIC RECYCLING

**Film plastics can now be recycled.**

*Place items, listed inside, in the Super Sack Tote at your town recycling site.*

### FARMERS:

There is a separate program for ag plastics, such as silage bags, bunker covers, bale wrap, plastic twine. You can get a Super Sack Tote to keep at your farm. Please do not put ag plastics in the Tote at your town site. See inside for more information.

Taylor County  
Recycling Authority

Phone: 715-748-1485

The Taylor County Recycling Authority is also investigating the possibility of sending the plastic waste to a biofuels facility that would convert the plastic into fuel.

### A FEW PLASTIC FACTS

- Every year enough plastic film is produced in the U.S. to shrink wrap Texas.
- A car can drive about 1 mile on the amount of petroleum used to make 14 plastic bags.
- At least 12 million barrels of oil are used per year to make the 100 billion plastic shopping bags used by Americans.

## At your town recycling site:

### FILM PLASTIC RECYCLING

- Plastic salt bags
- Plastic bird seed bags
- Plastic fertilizer bags
- Ground cover garden plastic
- Clear or black plastic sheet plastic
- Plastic mesh animal feed sacks
- Plastic grocery or retail sale bags
- Shrink wrap plastics



Plastic must be clean, empty, and debris free.

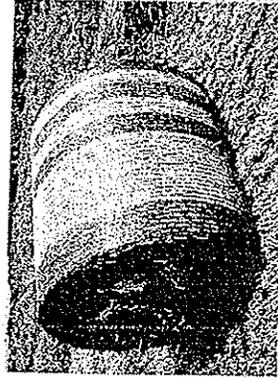
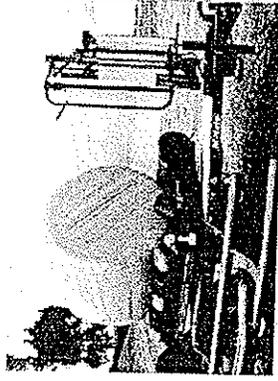
Container plastic, such as bottles, should be placed in appropriate dumpster, not in the tote.

Totes are for film plastics only – no containers, paper, or trash.

## At your farm:

### AG PLASTIC RECYCLING

- White and black:
  - Bunker covers
  - Silage bags
- White/green/brown
  - Bale wrap
- Other
  - Plastic sacks
  - Plastic twine
  - Bale mesh



Totes can be picked up at:

- Gilman Feed Co
- Medford Coop Feed Mill
- Rib Lake Recycling Center
- UW-Extension Office

Be sure to pick up instructions for separating and handling your ag plastics for recycling.

Call the UW-Extension office, 715-748-3327, or the Taylor County Recycling Authority, 715-748-1485, for more information about this program.