Past Issues

Translate ▼

View this email in your browser



Brought to you by the Connecticut Department of Agriculture Version en espanol disponible en linea en <u>CTGrown.gov</u>.

### In This Issue

July 15, 2022; Vol. E, No. 28

Milk Promotion Board Awards Funds

Stage 2 Drought Conditions

CT Ag In the News

Ag Worker Wellness Survey

CT Grown for CT Kids Summer Series

<u>Urban Agriculture and Innovative</u> Production Grants

Northeast Ag Photos Wanted

Farm 2 Neighbor Applications Open

Ag Market Pricing

Advertisements

**Upcoming Events** 



July is National Ice Cream Month and this Sunday, July 17 is National Ice Cream Day! Grab a scoop of your favorite flavor at your local ice cream shop or head to Fort Hill Farms in Thompson for their Bluegrass Bash and enjoy a cup or cone. Looking for an ice cream destination? Click here for some featured locations.

**Past Issues** 

Translate ▼



## **Solution** Solution S

The Connecticut Milk Promotion Board (CT MPB), administered by the Connecticut Department of Agriculture (CT DoAg), has awarded three grants totaling \$500,000 to projects that align with their strategic vision to increase purchases and expand the access of milk and dairy products to consumers, retailers, institutions, and other applicable outlets. The board's mission is to develop, coordinate and implement promotional, research, and other programs designed to promote Connecticut dairy farms and milk consumption. The awards, determined through a competitive bidding process, effectively use promotion dollars to drive forward to achieve those goals.

"The Connecticut Milk Promotion Board is pleased to announce these awards which will build upon the work over the past year in alignment with our strategic vision plan," said Chairman Paul Miller. "These awards are funded by dairy farmer checkoff dollars to increase awareness, access, and consumption of milk and dairy products"

Created in 2009, the CT MPB is a nine-member board of dairy farmers, state officials, and nutrition specialists formed to promote Connecticut dairy farms and the consumption of milk. The board is funded by Connecticut's dairy farmers through checkoff dollars that can only be used for this purpose.

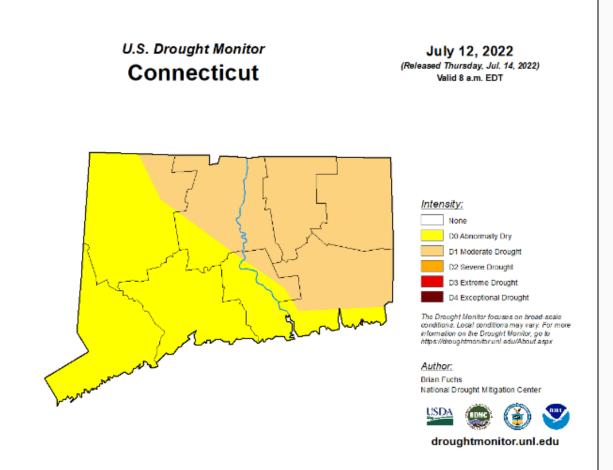
"I commend the Connecticut Milk Promotion Board for their dedication and vision to highlight the important role of Connecticut's dairy farms as an essential food supplier and innovative industry working to mitigate the effects of climate change to create a more sustainable future for all," said Agriculture Commissioner Bryan P. Hurlburt. "These efforts to educate consumers on where and how their food is produced are more important than ever as the marketplace shows an increased demand for ethical and sustainable products."

consumption of milk and dairy products in Connecticut through highlighting the benefits of dairy products and dairy farming to key consumer demographics.

New England Dairy Promotion Board received a \$200,000 award to increase the purchase of fluid milk and dairy products by consumers, retailers, institutions, and other applicable outlets by developing, coordinating, and implementing promotional, research and other programs designed to promote Connecticut dairy farms and Connecticut milk consumption.

New England Dairy Promotion Board received a \$100,000 award to increase engagement and communication channels with state dairy farmers on the use of Connecticut's dairy checkoff funds and deliver strategies for dairy farms to interact with each other, and the public, to promote increased milk and dairy product consumption.

Connecticut is home to more than 85 dairy farms with 18,500 dairy cows which produced 434 million pounds of milk in 2021. It is the second largest agricultural sales sector in the state. To learn more about Connecticut dairy farms, visit <u>CTDairy.org</u>.



STATE OF CONNECTICUT DROUGHT WORKING GROUP DECLARES STAGE 2 DROUGHT CONDITIONS EXIST IN ALL EIGHT COUNTIES

Connecticut's Interagency Drought Working Group to declare that all eight Connecticut counties are experiencing Stage 2 Drought conditions due to precipitation across the state being below normal. Under the state's drought plan adopted in 2018, Stage 2 identifies an emerging drought event, that potentially impacts water supplies, agriculture, or natural ecosystems.

"Residents should be mindful of their water consumption and take sensible steps to reduce impacts on other water uses and on the environment," said Governor Lamont. "We must begin early steps now to mitigate the potential for harm should the drought become prolonged."

"We have experienced drier than normal conditions in the spring and early summer," said Office of Policy & Management Undersecretary Martin Heft, who chairs the Interagency Drought Workgroup. "The combination of precipitation shortfalls and an extended period above normal temperatures have impacted the state's water resources and increased demands upon them. Residents should not be alarmed, but begin taking steps now to reduce their water usage."

Residents and businesses across the state are being asked to voluntarily take the following measures to aid in minimizing future drought impact:

- Reduce automatic outdoor irrigation
- Postpone the planting of any new lawns or vegetation
- Minimize overall water use by fixing leaky plumbing and fixtures
- Follow any additional conservation requests issued by water suppliers or municipalities

Tips on water-saving measures can be found on the Department of Public Health's website <u>here</u>.

Stage 2 is the second of five stages of drought defined in the Connecticut Drought Response and Preparedness Plan. The Interagency Drought Workgroup classified New London and Windham counties as being at Stage 1 on June 2, when there were early signals of abnormally dry conditions. That stage is intended as a "heads up" regarding the possibility of a developing drought.

The decision to move to Stage 2 is based on an assessment of indicator data monitored by state and federal agencies, including precipitation, surface waters, groundwater, reservoirs, soil moisture, vegetation, and fire danger conditions. The state has experienced this level of drought five times in the past two decades, in 2002, 2007, 2010, 2016 and 2020. If conditions deteriorate further, the state could reach Stage 3, having reached that threshold in four counties in 2020.

The Interagency Drought Workgroup has moved the entire state to Stage 2

droughts do not follow political boundaries, and impacts can be more severe at certain locations. Those who depend on private wells, fire or irrigation ponds, and other highly localized water resources should be especially mindful of local conditions, especially in places where previous droughts have affected supplies.

The State Interagency Drought Workgroup consists of representatives from the Department of Agriculture, Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection, Department of Energy and Environmental Protection, Department of Public Health, Office of Policy and Management, and Public Utilities Regulatory Authority, with assistance from the National Weather Service and United States Geological Survey. More information on the Interagency Drought Workgroup and the State Drought Plan are available <a href="https://example.com/here/beathquare-reserved-new-more-reserved-

To view the most recent drought monitoring map visit the link below.

**CT Drought Monitor** 

### **CONNECTICUT AGRICULTURE IN THE NEWS**

<u>Farm-to-Table Dinner scheduled for August 10</u>, Record Journal, 7/14 <u>Rides, competition and festival fun returns with North Stonington Agricultural</u> <u>Fair</u>, Westerly Sun, 7/14

A farmers market a day in Connecticut: Pigs, library buses, Israeli cuisine, face-painting, beautiful produce and more, Hartford Courant, 7/12

Study: CT among top states for local farm support, Stamford Advocate, 7/11

Eastern Conn. Farmers Feeling Effects of Drought Conditions, NBC CT, 7/11

Farm Dog of the Year Nominations Closing Soon, AgNet West, 7/8

Milford Farm to Close for Summer Season Amid Labor, Supply Issues, NBC CT, 7/8



#### AG WORKER WELLNESS SURVEY

Through a \$500,000 grant from the USDA National Institute of Food and Agriculture, under the Farmer Rancher Stress Assistance Network, the Connecticut Department of Agriculture (CT DoAg) is seeking to make agriculture worker wellness resources more accessible to Connecticut's producers.

Research shows individuals who work in agriculture often face challenges with their mental health, but they go undiagnosed and untreated for many reasons. To better understand opinions and attitudes about mental health in every part of Connecticut agriculture, CT DoAg is launching a research study on mental health in CT's agricultural industry. The agency will be working with Drink Caffeine Marketing and Great Blue Research to develop materials and collect information in a confidential manner. The data collected will provide a baseline analysis of the need for ag worker wellness services and insights on how to reduce the stigmas associated with mental health issues.

Responses to this survey will be used to inform expanded education and training opportunities for health care providers to ensure they have the resources and knowledge to readily recognize and address stress-related behaviors in Connecticut producers, ag workers, and their families.

Industry input is crucial to effectively meet the needs of our community. To ensure the study represents the full spectrum of Connecticut's diverse agricultural community we request your help in distributing the online research survey. Share it with employees, friends, co-workers, business partners, members – in short anyone involved in Connecticut agriculture including fruit, vegetable and dairy farms, nurseries and greenhouses, aquaculture, horticulture, tobacco, ag-related businesses and more. The survey is available in both English and Spanish and all responses will remain confidential. Responses are requested by July 27, 2022.

### **SURVEY LINK**

Connecticut, please click here.



#### PRODUCER SURVEY FOR WORKSHOP TOPICS

The Carrot Project (a non-profit serving growers in CT, MA, and RI), in partnership with New CT Farmer Alliance and the CT Department of Agriculture, is planning to hold a workshop on USDA Farm Service Agency (FSA) Loan and Disaster Assistance programs and on USDA's Micro Farm Whole Farm Revenue Protection (crop insurance).

We intend this workshop to be an inclusive space for growers - particularly BIPOC growers, women growers, and beginning growers - to ask questions on eligibility, applicable programs for their farm (including backyard and urban agriculture), and what to expect working with USDA. Our goal is to demystify these USDA programs and to help break down barriers to access.

To ensure we create a workshop that addresses the specific questions and concerns of growers in CT, we would greatly appreciate your participation in this survey. This workshop is planned for mid- to late-August. Currently, we only have the capacity to offer this workshop in English, however if you or your organization would be interested in assisting with interpretation and translation, we would love to connect!

### Click here to complete the survey.

Thank you so much for your time and assistance with this process. We are looking forward to bringing this resource to you! This survey will be open through Wed, July 20, 2022.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to Amanda Chang, Outreach Coordinator at The Carrot Project, at <a href="mailto:achang@thecarrotproject.org">achang@thecarrotproject.org</a> or 617-674-2371 x 10.

This workshop is based upon work supported by the U.S. Department of

Subscribe Past Is

Past Issues Translate ▼



**WORKSHOP: YALE-MYERS FOREST** 

Topic: Maple Silviculture: Timber Harvesting Considerations for Growing and

Regenerating Sugar Maple

**Date:** Saturday, July 16 (rain or shine)

Time: 9am-Noon\*

Cost: Free

**Location:** Yale-Myers Forest – 150 Centre Pike, Eastford, CT 06242

CEU credits: 1.0

**RSVP:** Not required, but please contact Walker.Cammack@yale.edu if you

would like to RSVP in advance.

This workshop will introduce both new and experienced sugarmakers to silvicultural concepts that can be used to manage their sugarbushes. Specifically, the workshop will focus on how harvesting timber can be done in a sugarbush to ensure heath of residual trees and/or proper regeneration of sugar maple. Joseph Orefice of Yale Forests will lead the workshop. The workshop will have two components: First will be to mark a thinning in a mixed hardwood stand to favor sugar and red maples. Second will be to assess the impact of timber harvesting on stand conditions in a regenerating sugarbush.

### Agenda:

- 9:00am Welcome & introductions to the Yale Forest maple program
- 9:15am Mark a thinning prescription in a mixed hardwood sugarbush
- 10:30am Drive to a new location at Yale-Myers Forest
- 10:45am Assess the impacts of timber harvesting and regeneration

Past Issues

Translate ▼

COVID Protocol: All participants will be required to register for this event onsite, and be required to provide proof of a COVID vaccination if requested. Attendees who are unvaccinated will be required to wear a mask during the workshop. All attendees must be 18 years or older per Yale University requirements.

Note: This workshop will take place at Yale-Myers Forest, which is part of Yale University but is located in Eastford, Connecticut. More Information about Yale Forests can be found at: <a href="https://forests.yale.edu/">https://forests.yale.edu/</a>

Special thanks to the USDA Acer Access and Development Program for supporting this workshop.



### COMPLETE SURVEY FOR CHANCE TO WIN DULUTH TRADING CO. GIFT CARD!

We'd love your help - and 10 minutes of your time!

Rooted Farmers, an online marketplace that connects local flower farmers and flower buyers, has partnered with the College of Life Sciences and Agriculture at the University of New Hampshire to research improving the sustainability and profitability of farming as a career path for growers in the United States.

They want to understand more about your farm and operation, with the goal of improving outcomes for small farms across the US through a <u>short survey</u>. This survey is meant for diversified farms that grow produce (fruits and vegetables) and non-flower crops.

Complete the survey by Sunday, July 24 to be entered into a raffle for a \$20 Duluth Trading Co. gift card! 5 winners will be determined by a random drawing.

A big thank you in advance for taking the time to share your input with us.

### Take the 10-minute survey here



### Summer Series! Farm to School Lunch and Learn

Come join grantees from the CT Grown for CT Kids Grant program, CT DoAg, and the CT Farm to School Collaborative to a four week community of practice discussion series!

Every Wednesday in July from 12-1pm. Drop in when you can and join the conversation! We'd love to hear your successes and challenges and collaborate on solutions during the weekly topic discussions.

Topic 1: Local Procurement Challenges and Successes
July 6 at 12pm

Register here for Topic 1

Topic 2: Garden Curriculums & Taste Tests July 13 at 12pm

Register here for Topic 2

Topic 3: Family Engagement July 20 at 12pm

Register here for Topic 3

Topic 4: Program Assessment/Evaluation July 27 at 12pm

Register here for Topic 4



Meetings will be recorded and sent out to registrants.

Questions: Please contact Cyrena Thibodeau at Cyrena.Thibodeau@ct.gov or 860-895-3094.









**GREENHOUSE BIOLOGICAL CONTROL CONFERENCE** 

This one-day educational program will be held on Tuesday, August 16, 2022 at the Jones Auditorium, The Connecticut Agriculture Experiment Station, New Haven, CT.

The speakers featured at this educational program include:

- Ron Valentin, Anatis BioProtection, who will be speaking on Update on Banker Plants
- Suzanne Wainwright Evans, Buglady Consulting, who will be speaking on Releasing Natural Enemies, and Grower Case Studies: What's working?
- **Michael Brownbridge**, *Bioworks*, who will be speaking on Enhancing the Use of Biological Fungicides in a Biologically Based IPM Program
- Elwood Roberts, Plant Products/Biobest, who will be speaking on Tips on How to Effectively Integrate Biological Controls and Chemical Controls

Five pesticide recertification credits will be offered. The registration fee is \$30 and includes boxed lunch. Pre-registration is required. No walk-in registrations.

If you have questions about registration or refunds please contact Carla Caballero at <a href="mailto:caballero@uconn.edu">carla.caballero@uconn.edu</a>.

If you have any questions about the program or payment, please email Leanne Pundt at <a href="mailto:leanne.pundt@uconn.edu">leanne.pundt@uconn.edu</a>.

Disclaimer: Program format is subject to change based on the University of Connecticut and the State of Connecticut's COVID 19 guidelines and policies. If access to the venue or seating capacity changes, the program will be changed to a virtual format.

"This work is supported by the Crop Protection and Pest Management grant no. 2017-70006-27201 from the USDA National Institute of Food and Agriculture."

Click Here to Register

#### **URBAN AGRICULTURE AND INNOVATIVE PRODUCTION GRANTS**

The application period for the Urban Agriculture and Innovative Production (UAIP) competitive grants is open from **June 3, 2022 through August 2, 2022.** 

Grants are divided into two categories:

Subscribe

1. Planning projects initiate or expand efforts of farmers, gardeners.

Translate ▼

Citizens, government officials, schools, and other stakeholders in urban

areas and suburbs. Projects may target areas of food access; education; business and start-up costs for new farmers; and development of policies related to zoning and other needs of urban production.

2. Implementations projects accelerate existing and emerging models of urban, indoor, and other agricultural practices that serve multiple farmers. Projects will improve local food access and collaborate with partner organizations and may support infrastructure needs; emerging technologies; educational endeavors; and urban farming policy implementation.

In 2022, USDA is investing \$14.2 million in new UAIP grants. <u>Learn more or apply through this funding opportunity</u>. For additional information, <u>view the webinar</u> or email <u>UrbanAgriculture@usda.gov</u>.



### I GOT NEXT FARMERS COALITION PRESENTS: URBAN FARMER TRAININGS

Kicking it off on July 16 and 23, the I Got Next Farmers are teaming up with Keney Park Sustainability Project and UConn's Solid Ground program to provide two full days of training (with lunch included!) from 8:30am-4pm.

Can't make it to Hartford but still want to go? The trainings will also take place in Bridgeport on August 20 and 27, as well as in New Haven on November 12. These trainings will conclude with a Harvest Celebration at Keney Park

Topics include:

- Derrick Bedward: How to Choose and Use Cover Crops, Using the Weather to Farm
- Micro2life: How to Determine the Quality of Produce, Soil Testing
- Lauren Little Edutainment: Plant Health & Companion Planting, Vertical Gardening & Planting structures
- Samad Gardens Initiative: Foraging Edible & Medicinal Plants, Making Regenerative Garden Amendments in the City

If you have any questions or problems signing up, please reach out to Rebecca. Toms@UConn.edu for assistance!

Sign Up Here!

### FARM CREDIT EAST SEEKS MODERN AGRICULTURE PHOTOS FOR CHANCE TO WIN \$100

Farm Credit East is currently seeking creative images of modern Northeast agriculture, commercial fishing and forest products to fill the pages of its 2023 *Agricultural Views* calendar. Upload your picturesque images from the farm, woods or dock at <a href="mailto:FarmCreditEast.com/Calendar">FarmCreditEast.com/Calendar</a> by July 31 for a chance to win \$100.

Winning photographs will be featured in Farm Credit East's 2023 Calendar. From all entries, 14 photos will be selected for a \$100 prize each. Additional photos will be selected to fill the calendar pages, each earning a \$25 prize.

"For nearly two decades, we've received many photo submissions illustrating progressive agriculture operations," says Kristie Matuszewski, Farm Credit East director of marketing and communications. "We look for fresh imagery that represents Northeast farming, horticulture, forestry and commercial fishing during every season, as well as shots that celebrate rural life in New England, New York or New Jersey."

Winning photos are selected based on technical quality, clarity and composition, as well as photos that capture unique views of modern agriculture and life in the country. So take your camera out to the field, barn or dock, in the tractor cab, out on the open water, or into the woods, and send in the many views of agriculture enriching Northeast rural communities.

"Last year, we received more than 900 images from dozens of talented photographers. We look forward to reviewing this year's entries," said Matuszewski.

Past Issues

Translate >

at <u>FarmCreditEast.com/Calendar</u>. The submission deadline is July 31, 2022.



### USDA ANNOUNCES ASSISTANCE FOR ON-FARM FOOD SAFETY EXPENSES FOR SPECIALTY CROP GROWERS

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) announced plans to provide up to \$200 million in assistance for specialty crop producers who incur eligible onfarm food safety program expenses to obtain or renew a food safety certification in calendar years 2022 or 2023. USDA's new <a href="Food Safety Certification for Specialty Crops">Food Safety Certification for Specialty Crops</a> (FSCSC) program will help to offset costs for specialty crop producers to comply with regulatory requirements and market-driven food safety certification requirements, which is part of USDA's broader effort to transform the food system to create a more level playing field for small and medium producers and a more balanced, equitable economy for everyone working in food and agriculture.

Specialty crop operations can apply for assistance for eligible expenses related to a 2022 food safety certificate issued on or after June 21, 2022, beginning June 27, 2022. USDA is delivering FSCSC to provide critical assistance for specialty crop operations, with an emphasis on equity in program delivery while building on lessons learned from the COVID-19 pandemic and supply chain disruptions.

The FSCSC application period for 2022 is June 27, 2022, through January 31, 2023, and the application period for 2023 will be announced at a later date. FSA will issue payments at the time of application approval for 2022 and after the application period ends for 2023. If calculated payments exceed the amount of available funding, payments will be prorated.

For more information, <u>click here.</u>

Newman's Own Foundation, with equity and strategic support from FoodCorps, is requesting proposals that support statewide and district-reaching organizations working toward every student having access to food education and/or nourishing meals in school. This grants program will prioritize Black, Indigenous, Multiracial and People of Color (BIMPOC) led organizations working on behalf of their communities and states toward systemic solutions in schools in the areas of food education, local procurement, school nutrition leadership development, educator engagement, ensuring adequate time to eat, supporting school kitchen infrastructure and scratch cooking, and increasing access to school meals.

Grants will support 501(c)(3) organizations in various stages of their systems change work. Grant review criteria will prioritize projects and organizations that are BIMPOC-led and honor the grassroots wisdom and expertise of local communities.

Newman's Own Foundation has a pool of up to \$450,000 set aside for this request for proposals. Grants will be in the range of \$10,000–\$50,000. Funding can be used for general operations or program support—whichever is identified as the higher priority for your organization.

**Proposals will be accepted through August 15.** For more information on this grant opportunity, <u>click here.</u>

## USDA REOPENS COMMENT PERIOD FOR PROPOSED RULE TO REAPPORTION MEMBERSHIP FOR THE NATIONAL DAIRY PROMOTION AND RESEARCH BOARD

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) is <u>reopening the comment period</u> for the proposed revisions to the makeup of the National Dairy Promotion and Research Board. A proposed rule seeking comments on the proposed amendments was published in the Federal Register on September 21, 2021. The new deadline for interested parties to submit comments is July 25, 2022.

The proposal would modify the number of Dairy Board members in two of the board's 12 geographic regions. If adopted, the proposal will increase Region 8 (Idaho) representation from two members to three members and will decrease Region 10 (Alabama, District of Columbia, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, Puerto Rico, South Carolina, Tennessee and Virginia) representation from two members to one member. The total number of domestic Dairy Board members will remain the same at 36, and the number of regions will remain the same at 12.

Past Issues

Translate ▼

at <a href="www.regulations.gov">www.regulations.gov</a> or emailed to <a href="www.regulations.gov">Whitney.Rick@usda.gov</a>. Comments should reference the document number AMS-DA-20-0060, the date of publication and the page number of the issue of the Federal Register. All comments submitted in response to this proposed rule will be included in the record and will be made available to the public.

### Learn More Here

# Farm To Neighbors

Supporting our local economy to provide nutritious food.









### FARM TO NEIGHBORS SEEKS FARMER APPLICATIONS FOR FOOD PURCHASING

The Connecticut Department of Agriculture and Connecticut Foodshare's Farm To Neighbors program designed to support both established and emerging farms is now live and accepting applications. This program allows Connecticut Foodshare to purchase food from Connecticut farms to provide to their partner programs. The application is one page and takes about five minutes to complete. The program is first come, first served.

<u>Click here</u> to apply today or email <u>farmtoneighbors@ctfoodshare.org</u>.



### **GET READY FOR FARMERS' MARKET SEASON**

CT Grown tents are in stock and available for pick up at Connecticut Regional Market, 101 Reserve Road, Hartford, CT. Orders must be placed online in advance at <a href="https://www.ConnecticutGrownStore.com">www.ConnecticutGrownStore.com</a>. Following order confirmation arrangements will be made to coordinate a pick up day and time.

### **Ag Market Pricing**

Middlesex Livestock Auction - CT

Prices provided on July 11, 2022

New Holland Dairy Auction - New Holland, PA

CT Farmers' Market Prices

Prices provided on October 22, 2021

Lancaster Farming Hay Market
Report

Northeast Regional Eggs USDA Mexico Canada Weekly

<u>Update</u> <u>New England Shell Eggs</u>

<u>Wholesale Fruits & Vegetables -</u>
Pennsylvania Weekly Cattle Auction

Boston

Summary Summary

<u>Pennsylvania Livestock Auction -</u> <u>Eighty Four, PA</u> Wholesale Ornamental Flowers -

<u>Boston</u>

### Advertisements

#### For Sale

Bush Hog Subsoiler Model HDSS1L single shank, 3 pt. Hitch, goes 23" deep. Like new condition. No rust. \$425 or best offer. 203-283-1459.

OHV motor. \$2,200 or best offer. 203-283-1459.

Walk behind Gravely tractor with sickle mower. \$400. Very good, workable condition. (860) 875-8056.

- 1-R. Blumenthal & Donahue is now Connecticut's first independent NATIONWIDE Agri-Business Insurance Agency. Christmas tree growers, beekeepers, sheep breeders, organic farmers and all others, call us for all your insurance needs. 800-554-8049 or <a href="https://www.bludon.com">www.bludon.com</a>
- 2-R. Farm, homeowner and commercial insurance—we do it all. Call Blumenthal & Donahue 800-554-8049 or www.bludon.com
- 3-R. Gallagher electric fencing for farms, horses, deer control, gardens, & beehives. <u>Sonpal's Power Fence</u> 860-491-2290.
- 50-R. The SIG Insurance Agencies offer a wide range of carriers, can save you up to 23% on your farm insurance and provide better protection. References available from satisfied farmers. Call us for all your insurance needs with locations in CT, RI, NY and NH. Contact our AG department at 866-346-3744, option 4.
- 54-R. Transplanters, vacuum seeders, fertilizer applicators, garlic and potato planters and harvesters. High quality Italian-made precision equipment for the vegetable, tobacco, hemp, fruit, and floral markets. Call or email us today for details. Griffin Farm Equipment, LLC. 860-508-2426, <a href="mailto:Griffinfarm@aol.com">Griffinfarm@aol.com</a>; <a href="mailto:www.griffinfarmtools.com">www.griffinfarmtools.com</a>
- 55-R. 250 Bales clean golden yellow rye straw, cut 6/1, large bales. 203-506-6318.
- 22-1. Honeybees: 5-frame Deep nucs only, available first week May. Jones Apiaries, LLC, 860-677-9391.
- 22-3. SnowBlower -48" PTO. Like new only used twice \$3,095 new. Asking \$2,500 best offer. 860-604-3452.
- 22-5. Lynn Blackmer, your local Nationwide Farm Insurance agent. AFIS Certified. Nationwide Farm Master Certified. Serving CT, RI & MA. Any type/size farm. CT Farm Bureau members may quality for discount. Cell: 860-377-8947 <a href="mailto:lblackmer@caluoriinsureance.com">lblackmer@caluoriinsureance.com</a> Appointments available any time.
- 22-6. Trailer- 1965 Miller 12 Ton Tip up 22 ft. Air brakes, solid steel. Brakes work fine, but old. Need 2 tires and light update. Retiring, \$1200. (860) 875-8056.

Budney, Four Winds Farm, 860-573-2829.

- 22-10. Growing mix-3.8 cu. ft. Greenhouse soil Dzen Farms 860-648-1355.
- 22-11. New Holland 259 hydraulic hay rake, \$2,500; International 435 baler, housed, \$3,500; Both good condition, ready to make good hay. Tim, 203-627-2398, nbffarm@gmail.com.
- 22-12. Logging services, forest management plans. Servicing all of CT. Fully licensed and insured. NRCS TSP. 860-398-1776, Josh Miller.
- 22-13. First cutting hay for sale. \$5.00 per bale. 860-990-8060 text or call.
- 22-14. Farm sold, many pieces of equipment for sale. 860-488-0324.
- 22-15. 4500' plus 3.5' wide Fruit-Zone Roll Premium Grade Bird Netting made of black colored polypropylene with a ¾ inch mesh (approximately 2.3#MSF), also called "side netting". Can be cross-cut or parted into narrower widths for fruit zone netting/side netting. Was a 5000' roll and we used about 220'. Asking \$150 please. Located in Colchester, CT. Contact Rosemary or Tim: 860-531-9727
- 22-16. RJ Planter Model RJ600. 2 Row rotary planter, row distance 27" 46". Excellent condition. \$4,100. Call 860-729-2741 or 860-716-1093.

#### Wanted

42-R. EZTRAIL kicker bale wagons, any condition. Cash paid. Call or text George, 860-918-5442.

Interested in Advertising? Click here for details on rates and submission.

### **Employment Opportunities**

### **Environmental Analyst 2**

The <u>State of Connecticut</u>, <u>Department of Agriculture</u> invites qualified agency employees to apply for the position of Environmental Analyst 2. This position is within the Department of Agriculture Bureau of Aquaculture & Laboratory located in Milford CT which administers the requirements of the US FDA NSSP Model Ordinance for the interstate shipment of shellfish and all marine and inland aquaculture production farms.

This position will be based in Milford, 35 hours per week. A flex schedule may be permitted following the successful completion of a working test period. **Deadline to apply is July 20, 2022.** 

More Information can be found here.

Bivalve Shellfish Pathologist (<u>Fish Pathologist</u>) position, focusing on the state's main aquaculture products, oysters and hard clams. This position will be assigned to the <u>Bureau of Aquaculture</u>. The Bureau of Aquaculture, with laboratory facilities in Milford, CT, is tasked with overseeing marine and inland aquaculture-related production activities. **Deadline to apply is July 20, 2022.** 

More information can be found here.

### Land for Good seeks its next Executive Director



Land For Good is poised to move into a new phase of strategic impact and leadership, while continuing to fulfill its vital role in farmland access and farm transfer for farmers, farmland owners, and allied farm service providers.

Land For Good seeks a candidate who is an effective leader at both the organizational and strategic levels with substantial experience in fundraising, management and oversight, organizational administration, networking, growing and stewarding relationships, and effectively supporting organization-wide goals.

The right candidate will also share a commitment to centering social justice, equity, and inclusion in the organization's work. Land For Good strives for a society grounded in the principles of social and economic justice. The organization seeks to achieve excellence through a diverse and inclusive workplace that honors the unique talents and lived experiences of each individual. Land For Good actively seeks people who bring diverse backgrounds, life experiences, and perspectives.

For a list of responsibilities, qualifications, and how to apply, go to <u>landforgood.org/job</u>.

Review of applications began July 1, 2022.

<u>Upcoming Events</u> (click on image below for info)











Facebook







Copyright © 2022 Connecticut Department of Agriculture, All rights reserved.

You can update your preferences or unsubscribe from this list.