



North Country Updates - Agriculture, Conservation, Forestry

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Events

Weeks State Park Summer Programs

Lancaster NH

Sundays, 1:00-4:00pm

Sept 9 - Autumn Wildflower Walk

Sept 16 - Mushroom Walk

Find the complete [2018 schedule](#) on Weeks State Park Association's facebook page.

Thank you NH Division of Parks & Recreation and



UNH Cooperative Extension, long with our local business supporters who make our programs possible!

Weeks State Park



NH Veterans in Agriculture Workshop



September 15, 2018
9:30 – 2:00
D & R Farm
24 Manselville Road,
Deering, NH 03244

Free.

For more information, contact
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Pre-registration:
<https://www.ils-ebook.com/events/15291598545636/>

- 9:30 AM Socializing / Coffee**
- 10:00 AM My Farming Story – How I Got Here**
Donn Mann, D&R Farm, Deering, NH
Don will tell his story of how and why he went from the military to farming, what resources he used, and the challenges he overcame.
- 11:30 AM Brief Overview of Risk Management - WFRP and PRF/Rainfall Index Policies**
Michal Lunak, UNH Cooperative Extension
- 12:00 PM Light Lunch Provided**
- 1:00 PM Open Discussion on Future Educational Programming and the NH Veterans in Agriculture Group**
Richard Briggs, Abdall Farm, Langdon, NH
Glen Putnam, Winsome Farm, Piermont, NH
Michal Lunak, UNH Cooperative Extension
Steve Turaj, UNH Cooperative Extension
- 2:00 PM Adjourn**

Bring your family member or your battle buddy!

For persons with disabilities requiring special accommodations, please contact Michal Lunak, 603-787-6944, Michal.Lunak@unh.edu prior to the event. Given ample time, we will make any reasonable effort to make accommodations.
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Farmer - Veterans In Agriculture Event

Saturday, September 15
9:30-2:00pm

Location: D & R Farm
24 Manselville Road, Deering NH

Donn will tell his story of how and why he went from the military to farming, what resources he used and the challenges he overcame.

Mike Lunak will give a brief overview of RMI.

After lunch an Open Discussion on Future Educational Programming and the NH Veterans in Agriculture Group.

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Registration -
<https://www.facebook.com/events/452994598545636/>



North Country Fruit & Vegetable Seminar and Trade Show

Wednesday, October 31
9:00am-3:00pm

The date for this year's North Country Fruit & Vegetable Seminar and Trade Show has been set for Wednesday October 31!

We are holding the event in a NEW location this year, Town & Country Inn and Resort, Shelburne, NH.

Educational topics will include crop production research updates from UNH, soil management in high tunnels, IPM for the home farm, and a featured farmer.

Hope to see you there!

Contact: Heather.Bryant@unh.edu

Save the Date!
More information & How to Register
coming soon



North Country Dairy Seminars & Trade Shows

2 Locations
9:00am-3:00pm (both days)

Wednesday, November 14
Fireside Inn & Suites, West Lebanon, NH

Thursday, November 15
Inn At Whitefield, Whitefield, NH

Contact for each event:
Steven.Turaj@unh.edu - Whitefield
Michal.Lunak@unh.edu - W Lebanon

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More Information & How to Register,
coming soon

For the past 41 years, the NH Dairy Practices Committee (NH DPC) has invited speakers to New Hampshire to speak to farm owners, workers, business cooperators, students, and the general public at the New Hampshire Dairy Management Conference.

This year the NH DPC committee's featured morning speaker will be covering new research findings in precision farming pertaining to dairy cattle that are easy and

inexpensive to implement. During the afternoon session, representatives from New England states will discuss support programs that help farmers overcome low milk price periods.

We would like to take this opportunity to invite you to participate in the Trade Show event at each of the NH Dairy Management Conferences. Please register by September 21. Michal.Lunak@unh.edu

In The News



Mosquito Management in New Hampshire

Alan Eaton, Emeritus Extension Professor, Pest Management

I retired in December, but agreed to work part time beginning this spring, until a couple of tasks were finished. One major one just got finished, August 20, 2018: revising and posting my 2009 mosquito management publication. The new title is *Eastern Equine Encephalitis and Mosquito Management in New Hampshire*.

I cover WNV too (and mention Zika, briefly) plus all of the various options to protect from mosquito-borne illnesses. I included photos this time.

I hope you'll find it helpful. Feel free to share. This is the time of year when the risk of mosquito-borne illness rises.

[Read more](#)



Our Onion Variety Results

Shown here are the two onion varieties offered by the Coös County Conservation District's Plant Sale this Spring.

The yellow variety: Candy, was first out of the ground as tops dried down in late August. They are now spread out on a clean, dry surface -curing- in a warm, well ventilated location (a garage). The tops are cut off about one inch above the bulb and we'll weed out any decaying ones before moving to long term storage. Temperatures there are best at mid 30 to 40s degrees, about 60 percent relative humidity. You want them in a container that allows for air to circulate through the onions.

The ruby red colored onion is the variety: Redwing, and known for excellent keeping

qualities. Up to 10 months possible. It tastes great too!

Also pictured is a trangular hoe, which is just right for weeding your onions. It's one of the many tools available for loan through your Coös County Conservation District's tool loan program.



Fall Webworms

The signs of fall are all around us: shorter days, cooler temperatures, pumpkin-spiced foods and an abundance of silky nests in hardwood trees and shrubs.

Healthy trees won't succumb to the fall webworms' feeding frenzy. The silky nests are unsightly, but otherwise, fall webworms are more of an aesthetic nuisance than a threat to the infested tree.

[Read More](#)



Aerial Seeding of Cover Crops in Coös County USDA/NRCS is teaming up with JBI Helicopters

A big advantage of aerial seeding of cover crops is that more acres can be seeded in less time than with ground equipment. Aerial application also allows seeding to be done when it is physically impossible to use ground equipment, such as when crops are present, or the soil is too wet for regular equipment. Seeding, germination, and growth of cover crops can begin even before the existing crop has been harvested. This is especially important in areas where there is a very small window of opportunity between crop harvest and the end of the growing season. Waiting to seed a cover crop until after crop harvest may result in poor stand establishment due to cold temperatures or moisture stress.

[Learn More - at USDA/NRCS](#)

Streambank Stabilization Projects in Coös County

Streambank projects -

- stabilize erosion of agricultural land.
- maintain the flow capacity of streams or channels.
- reduce the offsite or downstream effects of sediment resulting from bank



Materials in preparation for this project.

erosion.
- improve or enhance the stream corridor for fish and wildlife habitat, aesthetics, recreation.

[Learn More - at USDA/NRCS](#)

This project was just completed on the Connecticut River. Designed by John Field Geology. "We ensure that the best techniques are selected for each project after a careful assessment of the problem. Our goal is to restore natural stream function using techniques that protect human infrastructure while improving salmon and trout habitat."

We also have projects in the works in the Androscoggin Valley Watershed.

These projects are made possible with a collaboration of funding from agencies such as the Connecticut River Conservancy, The Conservation Fund, Coös County Conservation District, and USDA/Natural Resources Conservation Service.



Before



After
(with Riparian buffers being planted this fall)

Leave firewood at home ...



**BUY IT WHERE YOU
BURN IT**

Protect New Hampshire's Forests -

Firewood for Campers -
Transporting firewood threatens our forests by potentially giving a free ride to insects and diseases. Help protect New Hampshire's wild and scenic beauty and leave your firewood at home when you travel. Don't transport pests - when it comes to firewood, buy it where you burn it.

[Click here to Read More](#)

NH Bugs.org



**When in doubt..
UNH Cooperative
Extension
ID services may help.**

[Soil Tests](#)

[Insect ID](#)

[Plant Diagnostic Lab](#)



Upcoming Commercial Pesticide Applicator Classes

September, 2018

Core - 9/26 or 9/28 - Concord, NH

Turf (G2) - 9/27 - Goffstown, NH

Ornamental (G1) - 10/2 - Concord, NH

Right of Way (B) - 10/3 - Concord, NH

Fee: \$155 per class.

Study materials must also be purchased.

[More Information and How to Register](#)

Coös County Conservation District (CCCD)



Coös County Conservation District

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Visit our website - cooscountyconservation.org

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Our office is located in the USDA Service Center,
Route 3, Lancaster, NH

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Spreader
& Rental Terms
Coös County



Loan Program -
List of Tools &
Loan Process
Coös County



The KED-72 is 6' wide and capable of planting 9 rows, with 8" spacing. KASCO recommends a 35hp+ tractor, with sufficient lift capacity to handle approximately 1600 lbs. on back.

More Information
no-Til Seeder
& Rental Terms
Grafton County



AWMP-075-AG-4 Salford AerWay, 45-75HP Tractor with hydraulics recommended. Cultivation width 7.5'. Weight 2150 lbs.

More
Information
Aerway
& Rental Terms
Grafton County



New Hampshire Association of Conservation Districts (NHACD)

Annual Meeting -
The Future of Forestry & Agriculture
November 1 & 2

Location: Radisson Downtown, Manchester NH

Contact: Jackie - admin@nhacd.net

Save the Date!
More information & How to Register
coming soon

Long Island Sound Watershed - Regional Conservation Partnership Program (LISW-RCPP)

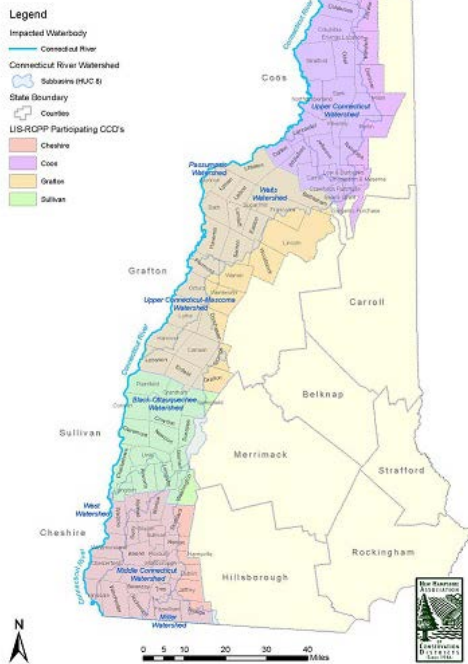
Reducing Nitrogen and sediment delivery to the CT River and its tributaries is the focus of our participation in this project.

Farmers in the NH Connecticut River Watershed can work with Bill Fosher, Project Agronomist for NH Association of Conservation Districts, on resource assessments, farm conservation plans and/or comprehensive nutrient management plans.

To learn more, contact Bill Fosher, NHACD Project Agronomist.
email - BillFosher@gmail.com
call or text - 413-335-5275

Long Island Sound - RCPP New Hampshire Project Area

New Hampshire Association of Conservation Districts



Home or Garden Question?



Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. highly trained master gardeners are available to answer your questions about gardening, lawns, pests, fruits and vegetables, food safety and more. For research-based information you can trust, pick up the phone, send an email or stop by today!

Education Center & Info Line

Soil Testing Services

Insect Identification Services

The [Education Center](#) at UNH Cooperative Extension offers a number of services including:

- Answers to gardening questions from Cooperative Extension Master Gardener residents via email and the Hotline 877-398-4769 or walk-in assistance.
- Master Gardener Volunteer Training Educational Programs for the general public.
- Public presentations by Master Gardener Volunteers on topics such as seed starting, composting, container gardening, and seed saving.

For more information on a variety of horticulture topics visit the UNH Cooperative Extension [website](#).

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UNH Extension Agriculture

UNH Extension Natural Resources

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Lancaster, NH 03584

Monday - Friday, 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

For more information
[visit our website](#), [email us](#), or call 603-788-4961



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