

ROWAN COUNTY CENTER

Rowan County Agriculture Newsletter

During this time, there are tons of information being sent out everyday from multiple sources. It can be tricky to keep up with it all or find it again. Below, the Rowan County Center has compiled information that may interest you in the coming weeks. These range from grant information and production videos to webinar information. Most of these webinars are hosted by other Cooperative Extension offices. If you have any questions about the information listed below, please call our office at 704-216-8970 or email one of the agents listed below.

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Rowan County Agriculture Workers PPE

We have thirty PPE kits for Agriculture workers available for any farms who want to come and pick them up at the Rowan County Extension Office. These kits are first come, first serve. Please call Melva (704-216-8970) to request kits and set up a time to pickup.

NC Farm School

North Carolina Farm School is coming back to the Southern Piedmont in 2021 . That may seem like a long time away, but now is the time to apply and get things together

logistically to attend. The 2021 Southern Piedmont Farm School will be based here in Rowan County; bi-weekly classroom sessions will be held at N.C. Cooperative Extension, Rowan County Center (2727 Old Concord Rd., Salisbury, NC 28146) from 6pm-9pm on the following dates: February 2, 16; March 2, 16; April 6, 20; May 4, 18. The monthly field days will be from 9am-3pm and held either in Rowan or the surrounding counties; those dates are February 25, March 25, April 15, May 13 and June 10th. Lunch will be provided for the field days. You can register online and find out more information by visiting <https://ncfarmschool.ces.ncsu.edu/>. Cost is \$399 per person or \$599 per pair.

Field Crops Videos and Webinar Recordings

- **Wheat Production Series:**

<https://smallgrains.ces.ncsu.edu/2020/08/pre-plant-strategies-for-wheat-webinar/>

Pre-Plant Strategies for Wheat

NC State Extension Specialists will be providing the latest pre-plant updates online via Zoom.

September 25, 2020
8 a.m. until 9 a.m.

Call or go online to register

Cumberland County Extension Office
(910) 321-6860

<https://tinyurl.com/Wheat2020Part1>



Dr. Wesley Everman

Title: "Pre-plant considerations for weed management in wheat."

Planning your weed management prior to planting to start clean and stay clean.



Dr. Angela Post

Title: "Pre-plant Fertility Recommendations"

Getting your wheat crop off to a great start.

Hosted virtually by the
Cumberland County
Extension Office



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Livestock & Poultry Webinars

- **Beef Webinar Series:** go.ncsu.edu/beef

Northeast District
BEEF WEBINAR SERIES
via Zoom platform

6:30-7:30 PM

SEPTEMBER 3 - MARKETING CULL COWS
SEPTEMBER 10 - SMALL-SCALE PROCESSING
SEPTEMBER 17 - UTILIZING BY-PRODUCTS IN FEED

Register Online:
go.ncsu.edu/beef

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- Forages for Poultry Webinar: <https://go.ncsu.edu/foragesforpoultry2020>

Forages for Poultry



Join NC Cooperative Extension
for the Forages in Poultry
Pastures in the Piedmont of NC
virtual webinar.

September 10 at 1 p.m.

Dr. Ken Anderson, NCSU Extension Poultry
Specialist, will discuss forages for poultry - what to
plant and when. He will also cover pasture
management - including pasture rotation and
stocking rates.

Register online:

<https://go.ncsu.edu/foragesforpoultry2020>



- **Pasture Weed Management Webinar:** go.ncsu.edu/pastureweeds20

Learn about pasture weed
identification, methods of control, and
toxic weeds to livestock.

PASTURE WEED MANAGEMENT WEBINAR

September 24, 2020
12:00 pm EST
7:00 pm EST

<https://go.ncsu.edu/pastureweeds20>

1 Hour of Pesticide Credits Available:
D, K, N, O, X



- **Sheep and Goat Webinar Series:** go.ncsu.edu/sheepandgoat2020

Sheep & Goat Webinar Series

for new & beginning farmers

Are you considering raising sheep or goats?

Join NC Cooperative Extension, for this free series offered through Zoom. All sessions will be from 6:30-7:30 p.m. EST.

Oct. 8 - Introduction to Sheep & Goats
Oct. 22 - Fencing & Facilities for Sheep & Goats
Nov. 12 - Beginner Nutrition for Sheep & Goats

Register online:
<https://go.ncsu.edu/sheepandgoat2020>



Local Food Resources

Selling Local Meats Webinar:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/selling-local-meat-tickets-118040507335>

Presented by Robeson and Wayne County Centers

Selling Local Meats

**Tuesday, September 22, 2020, 3:30 p.m.
Online via Zoom**



Join North Carolina Cooperative Extension and NC Choices for a live virtual presentation on all matters dealing with selling locally produced meats. This ONLINE event can be accessed from any computer, laptop, tablet, or smart phone with internet access via Zoom.

Mobile devices such as tablets and smart phones must download the free Zoom app from the Google Play Store or Apple App Store prior to use. A link to the meeting and the required password will be provided in the registration confirmation email.

Lee Menius, Technical Program Coordinator for NC Choices, will provide information on covering rules for selling pork and beef as well as information on meat handlers licensing (rules, regulations, inspections, etc.). Margaret Ross, Extension Area Specialized Poultry Agent - Jones County Center, will discuss rules for selling poultry and egg laws. Taylor Chavis, Extension Livestock Agent - Robeson County Center, and Stefani Sykes, Extension Livestock Agent - Wayne County Center, will give tips on marketing your local meat and pricing strategies.

REGISTER at <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/selling-local-meat-tickets-118040507335>

For more information or any questions, please contact Taylor Chavis (Robeson County Center) at 910-671-3276 or taylor_chavis@ncsu.edu, or Stefani Sykes (Wayne County Center) at 919-731-1521 or stefani_sykes@ncsu.edu.

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SAVE THE DATE


Making the Most Out of Bulk Sales Opportunities: Two New NC Choices' Tools
September 15, 2:00pm-3:30pm

Pre-Registration is REQUIRED for the webinar:

<https://cefs.ncsu.edu/food-system-initiatives/nc-choices/upcoming-events/>

MeatSuite is an online marketing tool to help customers easily find locally produced meat in bulk. Whether you normally sell in whole/halves/quarters or by the retail cut, we hope that you will join MeatSuite by creating a farm profile and listing bulk meat products for sale. Please keep in mind, a large purchase may not be in the budget for some customers, so consider putting together a few options for bulk boxes at various price points. By offering some bulk boxes at various price points (i.e. \$50, \$100, \$200), you can include a variety of cuts that help you move more than just the prime cuts.

SAVE THE DATE





**NC PRODUCE PROFESSIONALS CONFERENCE:
SANITATION IN THE NEW NORMAL**

September 16, 2020 | Wednesday
9:30 AM - 3:30 PM Eastern Time
Attend Virtually

Topics Will Include:

- Cleaning vs. Sanitation vs. Disinfection**
- Water Sanitation**
- Farm Sanitation Changes Due to COVID-19**
- The Impact of COVID-19 on the Farming Industry and How Sanitation Changes are Impacting Business**
- Update on COVID-19 Research and Recommendations Regarding the State of the Industry**
- Sanitation of Harvest Equipment**
- Assessing Hazards Related to Different Methods of Growing and How That Impacts Sanitation**

Provided By:
The North Carolina Fresh Produce Safety Task Force



Wildlife Webinar Series: go.ncsu.edu/managewildlife

Wildlife on Your Land: Opportunity or Obstacle?



Join us for a free six-part online webinar series that outlines various topics and strategies for managing wildlife on your land. Sessions will be held each Friday between September 4, 2020 and October 9, 2020 at 1:00 PM.

Zoom link will be sent to registrants prior to each session.

- **September 4--***Fallow Vegetation and Native Plantings: Managing Habitat for Wildlife and Pollinators*
- **September 11--***Invasive Plant Control and Forest Management to Benefit Wildlife*
- **September 18--***Hunting Leases and Trespass Laws*
- **September 25--***Coyote and Vulture Depredation Issues*
- **October 2--***Beaver Management and Control*
- **October 9--***Reducing Crop Damage from Deer*

Presenters include experts from NC State Extension, the NC Wildlife Resources Commission, and the US Department of Agriculture

For Up-to-Date Information and to Register:

<http://go.ncsu.edu/managewildlife>



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Warren Center 252-257-3640

Granville Center 919-603-1350

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Farm Business Management Series: nccefarmbusiness.eventbrite.com

Sessions will be from 10:00am-11:00am



Farm Business Webinar Series



9/24- Farm Estates

Andrew Branan

10/1- Present Use Values

Mark Megalos

10/8-Record-keeping/Quickbooks

Nate Converse

10/15- Risk Management

Rodrick Rejesus

**Hosted by Warren and Franklin
County Cooperative Extension**

To register, go to

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