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The Friday Feed

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TAEP Applications Posted for 2019/2020

The TN Department of Agriculture posted their applications for the 2019 Tennessee Agricultural Enhancement Program to their website. There are pretty big changes to the program this year so pay attention to the application materials. Of note is the temporary replacement of the Hay Storage program with the new Hay Equipment program. FYI - A full list of changes can be found by clicking here. If you have any questions or need assistance filling out the application, feel free to give me a call and I'll work one on one with you. The applications and other supporting material can be accessed at the link below.

https://www.tn.gov/agriculture/farms/taep.html



Asian Longhorned Tick Situation Report - 8/5/2019

This pest was found in TN back in May and since then many organizations/entities have been keeping a close eye on it. The Asian Longhorned Tick can carry the causative agents of a multitude of pathogens & viruses dangerous to humans & animals such as Anaplasma, Borrelia, Alpha-gal allergy, etc. The females can reproduce asexually and lay up to 4,000 eggs apiece. You can see why these guys are no joke. For more information, click the three links listed to right of this textbox.

AgrAbility Webinar Series



FREE - Drone Webinar Offered by AgrAbility

"Digital agriculture is a field of advancing technology that includes electronic devices, other technologies, and programs in production farming to help operators become more efficient and profitable." "Drones (or UAVs – unmanned aerial vehicles) are a part of the equation as a means of improving crop scouting, analyzing data, & detecting problems faster to save time and promote plant health. For example, by looking at different light spectrums with sensors on a drone, producers can identify plant health issues, nutrient deficiencies, and other problems that can lower yields." This free webinar will be Sept. 4th from 1:00 - 2:00 p.m. To register, click the link below and fill out the form by Friday, August 30th. You'll receive an email after registering with more info.

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Extension Publications

Check out these new publications and timely information from our University of Tennessee Specialists across the state:

<u>D42 - Livestock Sales - Understanding Tax Impacts</u>

W835 - Impacts of the Trade War on the U.S. Cotton Sector

W826 - Asian Longhorned Tick

National Asian Longhorned Tick Situation Report - 8/5/19

Updates on the ALT & Why This Tick is Important

Programs in agriculture and natural resources, 4-H youth development, family and consumer sciences, and resource development.

University of Tennessee Institute of Agriculture, U.S. Department of Agriculture and county governments cooperating.

UT Extension provides equal opportunities in programs and employment.

