



Winter 2025

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BADGER DAIRY INSIGHT

DECEMBER 17

Nutritional strategies to reduce methane emissions in lactating cows

Speaker: Chuck Nicholson and Matheus Pupo
 Speakers will discuss nutritional strategies to reduce methane emissions in lactating cows. The second talk about the effects of feeding 3-NOP on income over feed costs in the United States, which we conducted recently.

JANUARY 21

Preparing calves for the road ahead

Speaker: Dr. Catie Cramer
 Dr. Cramer will discuss stressors associated with transport data (WI and US) from a fit-for-transport survey conducted by Colorado State University and offer some ways to mitigate transport stress.

FEBRUARY 18

New technologies in dairy farming and update on the newly launched Smart Farm

Speaker: Dr. Joao Dorea, Dr. Victor Cabrera, and Gustavo Mazon
 Learn about new technologies in dairy and more about Smart Farm and how it can work on your farm.

MARCH 18

Reproduction Round Table



The third Tuesday of every month at 11 AM Central
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Get registered for Pesticide Applicator Training.

- The course will be held locally in the following two locations:
- January 22nd, 2025 at the Door Co. Government Center, 421 Nebraska St, Sturgeon Bay, WI
 - February 25th, 2025 at the Kewaunee Co Fair Grounds, 625 3rd St, Luxemburg, WI.

To register, head to the UW PAT website or use the links below. Seating is limited and is on a first come, first serve basis. Anyone who plans on taking the certification exam **MUST** purchase a manual prior to the training and exam. The certification test, which is an open book test, will be given following the educational training. Please purchase your manuals at least 2 weeks prior to the training to ensure its deliver before the training and the test.

Link to PAT Store: UW PAT Store

Link to manual: 100 General Farming PAT Manual

Link to training registration: Kewaunee Co General Farming PAT training



Locations And Dates

Engineering technical sessions: 9:30-11:30am

Tuesday Jan. 28 | Green Bay | Tundra Lodge
 Tuesday Feb. 11 | Mauston | Outdoors Forever Clubhouse

Permit holder / consultant sessions

Tuesday, Jan. 28 | Noon-4pm | Green Bay
 Tundra Lodge
 865 Lombardi Ave, Green Bay

Wednesday, Jan. 29 | Noon - 4 p.m. | Fond du Lac
 Fond du Lac County Highway Dept.
 1820 S. Hickory, Fond du Lac

Thursday, Jan. 30 | 8 a.m. - Noon | Manitowoc
 Farm Wisconsin
 7001 Gass Lake Rd, Manitowoc

Tuesday, Feb. 4 | Noon - 4 p.m. | Darlington
 Multipurpose Building
 11974 Ames Rd, Darlington

Wednesday, Feb. 5 | 8 am- Noon | Jefferson
 Jefferson County Highway Dept.
 1425 S. Wisconsin Drive, Jefferson

Tuesday, Feb. 11 | Noon - 4 p.m. | Mauston
 Outdoors Forever Clubhouse
 W4890 Cty Rd N, Mauston

Wednesday, Feb. 12 | 8 a.m. - Noon | Eau Claire
 29 Pines Conference Center
 5872 33rd Ave, Eau Claire

Advance Registration Online

<https://go.wisc.edu/CAFO2025>

1. Fill out online registration form
2. Choose location and session
3. Select payment type
4. Click: "Submit"
5. Proceed to payment by card or check

You **MUST** promptly complete payment to confirm your registration.

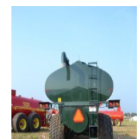
A confirmation email will be sent to you within 2-3 business days.

For more information on this program:
 Contact Kevin Erb at 920-391-4652 or Kevin.Erb@wisc.edu

For questions on registrations:
 Email: Extension@browncountywi.gov
 Phone: 920-391-4610

2025 ANNUAL CAFO UPDATE

Hosted by UW-Madison Division of Extension in collaboration with the Wisconsin DNR



- Jan. 28 Green Bay
- Jan. 29 Fond du Lac
- Jan. 30 Manitowoc
- Feb. 4 Darlington
- Feb. 5 Jefferson
- Feb. 11 Mauston
- Feb. 12 Eau Claire

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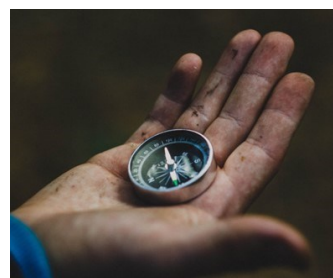
Navigating Your Ag Business: From Stress to Success - new online course

Are you considering a change for your farm or ag business? Or maybe you have an issue that needs to be addressed to improve your business and you are not sure how to get started on that planning. *Navigating Your Ag Business: From Stress to Success* is a new UW-Madison Division of Extension online course that will provide you strategies to answer these three questions:

1. Where are you now?
2. Where do you want to be?
3. How do you get there?

Navigating Your Ag Business: From Stress to Success combines online self-paced learning activities with live online group meetings, fostering a supportive peer community while collaborating with facilitators. The course starts on January 1, 2025, with the first live Zoom meeting scheduled for January 28, 2025, from 6:00-7:00 PM Central Time. The self-paced learning continues through April, with opportunities for group and personalized meetings with facilitators throughout the second half of the course.

The 2025 course is a grant-supported program. Participants will be asked to evaluate the materials and course after completion. Space is limited. Multiple farm members are encouraged to participate and attend the live sessions. To learn more about the course and to register go to <https://farms.extension.wisc.edu/programs/navigating-your-ag-business/> Direct any questions to Joy Kirkpatrick, Farm Management Outreach Specialist, joy.kirkpatrick@wisc.edu 608.263.3485.



Navigating Your Ag Business
 From Stress to Success



Navigating Your Ag Business: From Stress to Success

For more information or resources, visit go.wisc.edu/NYAB



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YOU ARE *VITAL* TO YOUR FARM.

EMPOWERING FARM WOMEN TO LEARN, NETWORK, AND GROW!

SAVE THE DATE!

FRIDAY, MARCH 7, 2025

FARM WISCONSIN DISCOVERY CENTER, MANITOWOC


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What can Wisconsin farmers do about projected low profit margins?

The USDA's 2025 projections for corn and soybean prices are **below the estimated break-even prices** for Wisconsin farmers. The USDA projects a season-average farm price of **\$3.90 per bushel for corn** and **\$10.00 per bushel for soybeans**. However, the estimated break-even prices for Wisconsin are **\$4.65 per bushel for corn** and **\$10.80 per bushel for soybeans**. If these projections hold true, Wisconsin grain farmers are likely to face **negative margins** in 2025.

What can Wisconsin farmers do?

- Review and renegotiate a farmland lease or rental contract details
- Strategically manage borrowing costs
- Consider alternatives to high-cost investments
- Prioritize your health and use the resources available to you

Read the whole article with more information on the strategies listed above here: <https://farms.extension.wisc.edu/articles/what-can-wisconsin-grain-farmers-do-about-projected-low-profit-margins/>



FIND ANSWERS TO YOUR AG QUESTIONS

go.wisc.edu/agquestions

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Need an answer to your question? From the farm, field, tractor or barn, use the new UW-Madison Division of Extension [Ask Your Ag Question form](#).

Connect with Extension experts from Wisconsin and receive research-based responses and resources to answer your most pressing questions. Fill out the form to get connected with an expert, program, article, or resource you need.

Find an answer fast and fill out the form at go.wisc.edu/agquestions to ask your question today. Stay connected to Extension resources by selecting the box located on the form.

Is your question related to your lawn, garden or landscape? We have a form for that too: hort.extension.wisc.edu/ask-a-gardening-question/

We want to hear from you about Precision Dairy Technologies

We are looking for people involved in farm decision-making (owners, part-owners, managers, or consultants) to participate in a short survey about precision dairy technologies.

Participants who complete the survey will be entered to win one of twenty \$50.00 Visa gift cards.

Access the survey using the QR code or the link below!



 **Smart Farm Hub**
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go.wisc.edu/5k7515

THE DAIRYLAND INITIATIVE
Podcast

Welcome to the Dairyland Initiative Podcast, where your hosts, Courtney Halbach and Dr. Nigel Cook, discuss practical dairy cattle housing solutions and showcase approaches dairy farmers are taking to enhance cow welfare and animal health in their herds through improved barn design and management. This podcast will cover all aspects of facility design, from ventilation to freestall design to calf housing and more, plus touch on hot topics related to lameness prevention, cow comfort, and productive life. Tune-in for an entertaining dive into how you can optimize cow well-being.

<https://linktr.ee/thedairylandinitiative>

happy holidays



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