



Agronomy Notes

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EXTRA EDITION

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Farm Bill & PA Agricultural Funding Listening/Discussion Sessions

Pennsylvania producers will have numerous chances to offer their views of what changes should occur within the 2007 Farm Bill and what conservation-related practices should be funded within PA. Michael Brubaker (Agronomist) will facilitate 12 listening sessions across Pennsylvania.

All meetings are open to the public and we encourage your attendance.

The purpose of these listening sessions is to understand and discuss conservation-related issues and their importance to Pennsylvania producers. As a result of this effort, US leaders involved with the 2007 Farm Bill will better understand what "conservation tools" to include in the new Farm Bill and Pennsylvania leaders will gain a more clear awareness of what BMP's producers prefer in PA.

In addition to the website and the listening sessions we have set-up a dedicated phone line which Pennsylvanians can now call 24 hours a day, 7 days a week — 717-627-7119. This line is open for comments regarding the 2007 Farm Bill and/or PA agricultural funding. When leaving a message you do NOT have to leave your name. Please take full advantage of this phone line — it is operational now! Mike Brubaker will listen to every call and log the theme of each call on a call report which will become a part of this meeting series report.

Call Today! 717-627-7119

Upcoming Meetings

Meeting dates and locations are listed below. Meetings start at 6:30 pm, except as noted.

Lebanon Valley Expo Center & Fairgrounds, September 12, 2005, 80 Rocherty Rd., Lebanon, PA 17042, Commerce Bank Hall

York Co. Extension, Pleasant Acres Complex, Annex Bldg., September 15, 2005, 112 Pleasant Acres Road, York, PA 17402-9041, Room 1

Chambersburg, Kauffman Community Center, September 21, 2005, 7289 Ruritan Drive, Chambersburg, PA 17201

Bedford Co. - Arena Restaurant, September 26, 2005, Rt. 220, Bedford, PA

Quarryville, Hoffman Building, September 28, 2005, Park Ave. Quarryville, PA 17566

Lancaster Farm & Home Center, November 1, 2005, 1383 Arcadia Drive, Lancaster, PA 17601
Large Auditorium, *This meeting is held in conjunction with PDA, Comments regarding all titles of the Farm Bill are welcome*