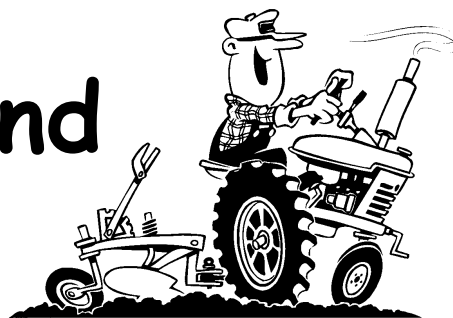


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Attachments:

Core Basic Pesticide Training

2017 Pre-Season Farm Labor Meetings

Sponsored by NJ Farm Bureau & Rutgers NJAES Cooperative Extension

- **Atlantic County Extension Office** **March 23**
- **Cumberland County Extension Office** **March 30**
- **Burlington County Extension Office** **April 4**

These meetings will consist of presentations on regulations pertaining to farm labor. The presenters will be from the Department of Labor, NJ DEP Pesticide Control Program and NJFB. The topics discussed will be as follows. This will be an opportunity to ask any questions you may have going into the growing season.

- ⇒ Worker Protection Standards **Overview of new EPA WPS rules**-NJ DEP Bureau of Pesticide Control
- ⇒ Federal Labor Regulations Update & Overview of MSPA, FLSA and transportation—US Dept. of Labor
- ⇒ NJ Labor Regulations Update & Overview Wage and Hour and Child Labor—NJ Dept. of Labor
- ⇒ Farm Bureau Update

Core Points for pesticide license will be given for the meetings.

All meetings are from 7 pm to 9 pm.

**For more information contact: Ben Casella
NJ Farm Bureau
609-393-7163**

SADC Deer Fencing Funding

The NJ State Agriculture Development Committee (SADC) recently dedicated funding (\$500,000) for 50% cost-share grants to farmers for installing high tensile woven-wire fencing on permanently preserved farms. The cost share applies to fencing materials and installation. An applicant can apply for a cost-share of up to \$200/acre, with a total award amount capped at \$20,000. (As a ballpark estimate: accounting for the farmer's 50% contribution, the maximum level of funding would support fence installation around roughly 20+ acres.) The application deadline is March 23, 2017.

To be eligible for the program:

- an applicant must be an established farmer (see definition in the policy overview, per the link below);
- the land on which the deer fencing is to be constructed must be permanently preserved farmland enrolled in the Farmland Preservation Program or Transfer of Development Rights Program;
- an applicant must participate in a SADC-approved deer fence installation training session;
- an applicant must install deer fencing in accordance with the specifications outlined in the SADC policy (see policy at link, below).

Applications will be reviewed and prioritized, per the criteria outlined in the program policy (e.g., estimated deer density per square mile, crop type to be fenced, hunting status on the farm and adjacent properties, farmers' military status, etc.).

Those selected for funding will need to complete a training session on proper fence installation that will be offered in partnership with NJAES/RCE (likely in early to mid-summer).

An application form, the program policy, and other program details are available at:

<http://www.nj.gov/agriculture/sadc/news/hottopics/index.html>

For additional information contact:

Brian Schilling
Associate Ext. Specialist, Rutgers Cooperative Extension
848-932-9127
schilling@aesop.rutgers.edu

I-9 Forms Update

Which form I-9 should be used?

- Beginning January 22, 2017, employers must only use the revised version Form I-9, Employment Eligibility Verification, dated 11/14/2016, to verify the identity and work eligibility of every new employee hired after Nov. 6, 1986. Available at <https://www.uscis.gov/i-9>

Which form I-9 should I use for reverification?

- Reverification of expiring employment authorization for existing employees must be completed using the revised version, dated 11/14/2016.

On or after January 22, 2017, will prior versions of Form I-9 be valid for use?

- Prior versions of the form will no longer be valid for use.

What should I do with the previously completed Form I-9?

- Employers should continue to follow existing storage and retention rules for all of their previously completed Form I-9. <https://www.uscis.gov/i-9-central/retain-and-store-form-i-9>

Are there penalties?

- Employers who fail to use Form I-9 (dated 11/14/2016 N) on or after January 22, 2017 may be subject to all applicable penalties under section 274A of the Immigration and Nationality Act, 8 U.S.C. 1324a, as enforced by U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE).

Where can I find the latest Form I-9 and more information?

- Visit I-9 Central—<https://www.uscis.gov/i-9-central>
- Join a free webinar: <https://www.uscis.gov/e-verify/e-verify-webinars/take-free-webinar>

New Rutgers Fact Sheets

The following fact sheets are now available from NJAES Publications:

- FS1270 Ecological and Economic Importance of Bats in Integrated Pest Management
Authors: Maslo, B. and Kerwin, K.
Website: <https://njaes.rutgers.edu/pubs/fs1270>
- FS1267 Ultra-Niche Crop Series: High Tunnel Winter Lettuce
Author: Melendez, M.
Website: <https://njaes.rutgers.edu/pubs/fs1267>
- FS1269 Guidance for Siting and Installing Bat Roost Boxes
Authors: Kerwin, K. and Maslo, B.
Website: <https://njaes.rutgers.edu/pubs/fs1269>

Get these and many more fact sheets on the Rutgers website!

Working Through the DEP Website

Getting Pesticide Test Results:

- Go to: <http://www.nj.gov/dep/>
- On the left side of the screen, click the light blue link “pesticides”
- “Bureau of Licensing & Regulations” will come up. Click on “pesticide” under “About Us”
- This takes you to “Licensing & Pesticide Operations Links”. In the middle of the page, under “Exams”, click on the link that corresponds with your last name. This will take you to the DEP Dataminer page.
- You must enter the following information: Last Name, birth date and last 4 digits of your social security number.
- A screen will appear with your information and test results

To obtain the current status of your credits:

- Go to: <http://www.nj.gov/dep/>
- On the left side of the screen, click the light blue link “pesticides”
- “Bureau of Licensing & Regulations” will come up. Click on “pesticide” under “About Us”
- This takes you to “Licensing and Pesticide Operations Links”. At the top of the page under “Online Payments and Reports”, click the “online reports” link.
- This will take you to a list of reports that are available. Toward the bottom of the list there is a link “Private certified pesticide applicators – specific information”. At this link you must enter your birth date (a calendar will appear, ignore the calendar and put in the date: ie: 01-01-1901, last 4 digits of your social security number and your license number (which appears as a drop down menu and must be chosen from the list). This report will give you the up-to-date information on credits obtained and license status.



Organic Farm Advisory

March 15, 2017
10:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m.

Join us for a discussion of organic grower needs, current Extension research and future organic research potential in New Jersey.

Who should attend?

NJ commercial growers using organic methods

Topics of focus:

Variety research results and recommendations

Disease and insect updates

Extension programming needs/wants

\$10.00 Includes

Lunch and Program Materials (Pesticide credits pending)

Event Location: Rutgers Cooperative Extension of Mercer County

930 Spruce Street, Lawrence Township NJ 08648

RSVP is required!!!

Questions? Contact Meredith Melendez

Melendez@njaes.rutgers.edu

609-989-6830

Calendar of Important Events

↻ Indicates the newly added event since last calendar

March 2017

↻ **March 18**

41st Annual Home Gardeners School, Rutgers Continuing Education. For more information call Dalynn Knigge 848-932-7315 or email: knigge@rutgers.edu.

March 21

Turf Pest Management, Rutgers Cooperative Extension, 291 Morton Ave., Millville; 9am-12pm; \$20. Pesticide credits: 6 each for categories 13, 3B and PP2. For more information or to register, call Tammy at 856-451-2800 x1.

March 22-23

Food Safety Modernization Act-Produce Rule Training & Plan Writing for Beginners, Rutgers Cooperative Extension Hunterdon County, 314 State Route 12, Bldg. 2, Flemington, NJ; 9am-4pm; \$50/person Day 1 and \$25/person Day 2 (optional). To register call Tammy 856-451-2800 x1.

March 17

Introduction to Pruning Techniques, Rutgers Continuing Education, 9am-3:30pm; \$195 by 3/3; \$210 after. For more information call 848-932-9271, email: ocpe@njaes.rutgers.edu or visit: www.cpe.rutgers.edu

↻ **March 20**

Irrigation Systems: Two-Wire Electrical Troubleshooting, Rutgers Continuing Education, 9am-1pm; \$195 by 3/6; \$210 after. For more information call 848-932-9271, email: ocpe@njaes.rutgers.edu or visit: www.cpe.rutgers.edu

↻ **March 21**

Turf Pest Management, Rutgers Cooperative Extension Cumberland County, 291 Morton Ave., Rosenhayn; 9am-noon; \$20. Pesticide credits: 6 each for categories 13, 3B and PP2. For more information or to register call Tammy 856-451-2800 x1.

↻ **March 24**

Roadside and Right-of-Way Vegetation Management, Rutgers Continuing Education, 8:30am-3pm; \$195 by 3/10; \$210 after. For more information call 848-932-9271, email: ocpe@njaes.rutgers.edu or visit: www.cpe.rutgers.edu

March 28

Advanced Pruning Techniques, Rutgers Continuing Education, 9am-3:30pm; \$245 by 3/14; \$270 after. For more information call 848-932-9271, email: ocpe@njaes.rutgers.edu or visit: www.cpe.rutgers.edu

March 28

Structural & Household Pests, Rutgers Cooperative Extension, 291 Morton Ave., Millville; 9am-12pm; \$20. Pesticide credits: 6 credits for 7A. For more information or to register, call Tammy 856-451-2800 x1.

April 2017

↻ **April 7**

Basic Chainsaw Safety, Rutgers Continuing Education, 8:30am—12:00 pm; \$195 by 3/24; \$210 after. For more information call 848-932-9271, email: ocpe@njaes.rutgers.edu or visit: www.cpe.rutgers.edu

REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETINGS

✓ Indicates meeting will be held at RCE of Cumberland County

<p>✓</p> <p>Pesticide Certification Exam Schedule—Cumberland County 291 Morton Avenue Millville, NJ 08332 (Between Rosenhayn & Carmel)</p> <p><u>2017</u></p> <p>Mar 16 Apr 20 May 18 Oct 19</p> <p>To Register call 609-984-6614 For directions call 856-451-2800</p> <p>*****</p>	<p>✓</p> <p>Cumberland County Agriculture Development Board County Administration Bldg. Freeholder Room 164 W. Broad Street Bridgeton, NJ 08332</p> <p><u>2017</u></p> <p>Mar 14 Apr 11 May 9 Jun 13 Jul 11 Aug 8 Sept 12 Oct 10 Nov 14 Dec 12</p> <p>Reg. Meetings start at 7 p.m. Information call 856-453-2211</p> <p>*****</p>	<p>✓</p> <p>Cumberland County Board Of Agriculture 291 Morton Avenue Millville, NJ 08332 (Between Rosenhayn & Carmel) 7 pm meetings</p> <p><u>2017</u></p> <p>Mar 16 Apr 20 May 18 Sept 21 Oct 19 Nov 16 Dec 21</p> <p>For info call Hillary Barile, President 856-453-1192</p> <p>*****</p>
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**Cumberland County Improvement Authority (CCIA)
Pesticide Container Recycling**
9:00 a.m. to 12 Noon
Cumberland County Solid Waste Complex
169 Jesse's Bridge Rd. (located off Route 55 Exit 29)
Deerfield Township, New Jersey

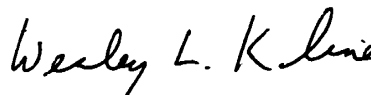
Questions? Call Division of Ag & Natural Resources, NJ Dept. of Ag 609-292-2242

May 19 Jun 16 July 21
Aug 18 Sept 15 Oct 20 Nov 17

Sincerely,



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Pesticide User Responsibility: Use pesticides safely and follow instructions on labels. The user is responsible for the proper use of pesticides, residues on crops, storage and disposal, as well as damages caused by drift.

Use of Trade Names: Trade names are used in this publication with the understanding that no discrimination is intended and no endorsement is implied. In some instances the compound may be sold under different trade names, which may vary as to label.

Have you visited the Cumberland County website for the Present and/or past issues of "Cultivating Cumberland"? It's a great resource for information and dates.....

<http://Cumberland.njaes.rutgers.edu/>

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Extension Education Center
291 Morton Avenue
Millville, NJ 08332-9791

RUTGERS
New Jersey Agricultural
Experiment Station

CORE/Basic Pesticide Training Course

Location: Rutgers NJAES Cooperative Extension Office

1200 N. Delsea Dr, Bldg A, Clayton, NJ 08312

Conference Room C

856-307-6450 ext. 1

Registration Required (see next page for information)

Space is Limited

\$100 Registration Fee

Thursday, April 6, 2017

8:30am-12:30pm

To be eligible to take the Core exam, the applicant shall submit proof of completion of a Department approved **Basic Pesticide Applicator Training Course**. The course shall provide a working knowledge of the following: proper use of application equipment, potential hazards involved in applying pesticides, instructions for the mixing of pesticides, protective clothing and equipment, applicable State and Federal pesticide laws and regulations, interpretation of pesticide labels and understanding integrated pest management. Proof of course completion must be submitted with the Core Certification Exam application form in order to take the test for a commercial pesticide applicators license. Pesticide applicators currently holding a license may attend to obtain recertification credits.

After receiving your license, a Commercial applicator must accumulate 8 units (one unit equals 30 minutes of instruction time) of Core subject matter credit and 16 units of Category subject matter credit (for **each** Category of certification) over the 5 years.

Our facility is handicap accessible and this course is offered to everyone.

*For more information on NJDEP Pesticide Applicators Licensing see
<http://www.state.nj.us/dep/enforcement/pcp/bpo-appcom.htm>*

For more information on this course contact Michelle Infante-Casella 856-307-6450 x-1.

Registration Form:

Fill out the bottom of this form, cut off the bottom and send in with your check for \$100.00.

Make Checks Payable to: Rutgers The State University of NJ

Mail to:

Michelle Infante-Casella, Agricultural Agent

RE: Basic Pesticide Training Course

Rutgers NJAES Cooperative Extension

1200 N. Delsea Dr., Bldg. A

Clayton, NJ 08312

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**CORE/Basic Pesticide Training Registration Form
(Return with check payment)**

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

_____ CORE- Thursday, April 6, 8:30AM-12:30PM (\$100)