

AG Newsletter

February 2024

Agent's Corner

I am notorious for putting things on the back burner, which I am sure many of you all can relate. It is my normal practice to wait for the National Farm Machinery Show to end before scheduling too many meetings. I also know that January and February can bring sickness among family members, as well as, many cold and blustery days. So the end of February and all of March and April are great months to get some meetings out of the way.

Please KEEP this edition close by.

**Annie's Project-6 week farm financial trainings for women in Ag.—Call NOW— only a couple of spots available.

**CAIP is opening this month, see information in this newsletter.

**Several more training opportunities coming up. Don't miss out on increasing your knowledge base.

Sincerely,



Carol M. Hinton
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2024 CAIP PROGRAM

The Breckinridge County Conservation District will be conducting the County Agriculture Investment Program (CAIP) #A2024-0012. **This program is sponsored in part by the Kentucky Agriculture Development Fund (KADF).** The Breckinridge County Ag Development Council set the cost share amounts as follows, Primary programs cost share of \$2,000; Secondary Programs cost share of \$1,000, for a MAXIMUM of \$2,000 for the combined programs.

- Any producers interested in improving their farm business must apply at the Breckinridge County Conservation Office between the dates of February 21, 2024 thru March 27, 2024.
- Applications can be picked up from 7:30 a.m. (ct) through 3:30 p.m. (ct); except office is closed for lunch from 11 am (ct) to 12 Noon p.m. (ct).
- All interested parties must pick up and return the applications for approval to the office, 1101 S. Hwy 261, Suite 102, Hardinsburg, during the above times.
- All returned applications will be scored and those approved for cost share funds will be notified no later than April 22, 2024, date subject to change.
- Receipts for cost share practices must be dated from January 1, 2024 thru October 4, 2024.

The cost share programs that may be approved with proper documentation are as follows:

1. Agricultural Diversification – Secondary Program - \$1000
2. Large Animal (beef, dairy, equine) – Primary Program - \$2000
3. Small Animal (goat, sheep, swine, bee, rabbits) - Primary Program - \$2000
4. Farm Infrastructure – Primary Program - \$2000
5. Fencing & On-Farm Water – Primary Program - \$2000
6. Forage & Grain Improvement – Primary Program - \$2000
7. Innovative Agricultural Systems – Primary Program - \$2000
8. On-Farm Energy– Primary Program - \$2000
9. Poultry & Other Fowl - Secondary Program - \$1000
10. Ag Tech & Leadership Development – Primary Program - \$2000
11. Value-Added & Marketing– Primary Program - \$2000

Important Dates; all review dates subject to change

1. Application time, February 21, 2024 thru March 27, 2024. You must fill out an application between these dates, no exceptions.
2. If you are approved, you will receive notice of approval no later than April 22, 2024.
3. After notification of approval, you can begin bringing in receipts for practices that have been completed along with proper pictures of projects and fill out a final report.
4. Receipts for cost share practices must be dated from January 1, 2024 thru October 4, 2024. *All paperwork must be turned in to the Soil Conservation Office by October 4, 2024 before 3 p.m. (ct).*
5. Pending review and approval of your receipts and final report, you will receive notification that your reimbursement is ready to be picked up.
6. If you receive notice that you are on the waiting list then you will be notified as money becomes available for you to complete your project for the CAIP Cost Share Program #A2024-0012.

Applicants must attend an educational class approved by the Breckinridge County Extension Office before receiving payment.

Please stop by the Breckinridge County Soil Conservation Office to pick-up the rules and applications for the programs.

For more information, please call the Breckinridge County Soil Conservation Office at 270-756-1696, ext 3.



2024 CAIP PROGRAM

INFORMATIONAL MEETING DATES:

Monday, February 26

Monday, March 4

Monday, March 11

Monday, March 18

Monday, March 25

10 AM, CT
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**Thursday, March 7**

**6 PM, CT**  
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**Breckinridge County Extension
Farmers' Market & Educational Facility**

***NOTE:**

**This counts only as an informational meeting
NOT as an educational meeting!**

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PRIVATE APPLICATOR TRAINING

Breck. Co. Extension Farmers' Market & Education Facility

Thursday, March 7, 2024

9 a.m., 11 a.m. or 1 p.m. (ct)



These trainings are for restricted and non-restricted pesticides.

A video will be shown. Producer will be required to take a written test.

The entire session will last approximately 1 1/2 hours.

Pre-register at 270-756-2182 for one of these times.

Mark your Calendar — 4-H Livestock Meetings

Breckinridge County Extension Farmers' Market & Educational Facility

March 28—Anatomy & Dissection

April TBA—Field Trip

Upcoming Cattleman's (BCCA) Meetings

February 22, 2024– Breckinridge County Extension Community Building, 6 p.m. (ct)

Topic: Equipment update

March 21, 2024- Breckinridge County Extension Community Building 6 p.m. (ct)

Speaker: Chris Teutsch, UK Extension Associate Professor & Forage Specialist

Topics: Hay and Pasture updates

These meetings will be CAIP approved meetings.

Master Small Ruminant Nutrition Course

Nutrition is the #1 most important part of your small ruminant operation. Understanding basic physiology, feed stuffs, nutrient requirements, and ration balancing are key components to managing your feed bill. Dr. Don Ely, University of Kentucky, and Dr. Andrew Weaver, North Carolina State University, team up to provide a comprehensive small ruminant nutrition course. This is an online, self paced course with a certificate of completion option. Learn more at <https://www.kysheepandgoat.org/ky-master-small-ruminant-nutrition>.



These calendars are now available at the Extension Office

2024 Beef IRM Calendar

2024 KY Sheep & Goat Calendar

2024 Master Grazer Program KY Grazing Calendar

If you raise goats, sheep or beef cattle and need one of these calendars, stop by the Extension Office to pick up one.

CLOVER FROST SEEDING

Frost seeding is surface seed placement in late winter or early spring.

It works best on species that germinate rapidly like white or red clover.

With Kentucky's unpredictable weather conditions, consider these six steps to maximize your pasture success with clover frost seeding.

Six easy steps for Clover Frost Seeding

- Conduct soil analysis and apply necessary nutrients.
- Choose a high-quality variety.
- Apply an adequate quantity of seed.
- Ensure seed contact with bare soil.
- Utilizing a corrugated roller post-seeding can help achieve optimal seed-soil contact.
- Manage competition the following spring to improve establishment.

Source: Jimmy Henning, plant and soil science professor
An Equal Opportunity Organization.

Xtendimax, Engenia, and Tavium Availability in Kentucky for 2024

By: Dr. Travis Legleiter, UK Extension Weed Science Specialist

Source: KY Corn & Soybean News, February 2024, Volume 6, Issue 02

The United States District Court of Arizona vacated the 2020 Xtendimax, Engenia, and Tavium labels for use in dicamba-resistant soybean on Feb. 6, 2024. This order left the availability of the three products for the 2024 season in limbo for approximately a week. On Feb. 14, 2024 the EPA responded to the court ruling with an Existing Stocks Order allowing the sale and distribution of existing stocks of Xtendimax, Engenia, and Tavium. What does this all mean for the 2024 growing season and the use of these products? The following information is my interpretation of the EPA Existing Stocks Order and how it may affect Kentucky soybean growers in 2024. If you are in doubt about how to use a product in 2024 or how this order affects you, please refer to the EPA order or the products label, website, or representative. You can find the official EPA Existing Stocks Order at this link:

https://www.epa.gov/system/files/documents/2024-02/dicamba-notice-existing-stocksorder_02142024.pdf

The order indicates that the sale and distribution of Xtendimax, Engenia, and Tavium will be allowed by persons other than the registrants until May 31, 2024 in Kentucky. "Persons other than registrants" would include co-ops, local dealers, and commercial distributors. Only product that was in possession of the "other persons" on or before the February 6 court ruling can be sold or distributed. While a majority of products were already in possession of these "other persons" or "in the channel", not all product was at this stage on February 6 and thus a full supply availability is highly unlikely to occur.

Furthermore, the order allows for the use or application of these three products by both private and commercial applicators in dicamba-resistant soybean fields until June 30, 2024 in Kentucky. This date aligns with the already established cutoff date for Kentucky.

Lastly, and most importantly, **ALL APPLICATIONS OF XTENDIMAX, ENGENIA, AND TAVIUM MUST STILL FOLLOW THE RESTRICTIONS IMPLEMENTED ON THE MOST RECENT LABELS INCLUDING THE MANDATORY ANNUAL TRAINING.**

AGRICULTURE SALES TAX EXEMPTION NUMBER PROGRAM

Does the AE Number have an expiration date?

- Yes, the current AE Numbers expire on December 31, 2026, and renewals from that date forward will expire after 4 years.
- The Department of Revenue will provide further details on the renewal process at a later date.
- A farmer with an AE Number must contact the Department of Revenue within 60 days after the farmer ceases activities that qualify the operation for an AE Number for cancellation purposes.

If you are going to be selling any of these animals you need to apply for a Premise ID. You need to fill out one of these forms and fax or e-mail it to address at the bottom of form.

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109 Corporate Drive
Frankfort, KY 40601



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502-573-0282
www.kyagr.com

NATIONAL PREMISES ID REQUEST FORM

Fill out completely

Name and/or Farm Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

Address: _____

City, State/ Zip Code: _____

County: _____

Species Raised/ Sold: Please Select All That Apply

Cattle Sheep Goats Pigs Horses Deer

Personal Contact Information for Premises / Animal Owners:

Name: _____

Address (if different than Premises Address): _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

Name: _____

Address (if different than Premises Address): _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

Please submit via, fax (502) 573-1020 or email to statevet@ky.gov



ADULT

HEALTH BULLETIN



FEBRUARY 2024

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Download this and past issues of the Adult, Youth, Parent, and Family Caregiver Health Bulletins:
<http://fcs-hes.ca.uky.edu/content/health-bulletins>

THIS MONTH'S TOPIC

WHEN AND WHERE TO GET MEDICAL CARE



The types of medical providers has changed rapidly over the past several years. From company name changes and insurance coverage shifts to pop-up clinics and telemedicine, it can be confusing to know which type of provider best suits your needs.

For serious emergencies, always call 911. For example, if you or a person in your care has any of the following:

- isn't breathing or is turning blue,
- is unconscious,
- is having a seizure,
- has a serious allergic reaction,
- has a broken bone that sticks out through the skin,
- took an unknown amount of medicine, or
- has a large cut that won't stop bleeding.

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Disabilities accommodated with prior notification.

If you cannot get to your provider's office or it is after hours and the office is not open, you can go to an urgent care center.



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Other serious situations need medical attention but may allow for you to transport yourself or someone in your care to an emergency room (ER) or hospital emergency department (ED). Go to an ER if you or someone in your care:

- has trouble breathing,
- has a stiff neck and a fever,
- is experiencing a continuous fast heartbeat,
- ingested a poison, drug, or unknown substance,
- has a head injury and is vomiting,
- has an eye injury, or
- has a serious burn.

Call your primary-care provider's office with any health-related questions or nonurgent health concerns. They can help you decide what steps to take and how. Call for problems such as a fever, ear pain, a sore throat, belly pain, vomiting or diarrhea, a headache that doesn't go away, possible dehydration, rash, wheezing, or a lasting cough. Calling your regular provider for these kinds of concerns supports "continuity of care" (always seeing a provider who knows you).

If you cannot get to your provider's office or it is after hours and the office is not open, you can go to an urgent care center. Urgent care centers can manage the same problems as your regular health-care provider. These centers also can provide services like X-rays, stitches, and splints.

Telehealth, or telemedicine, are virtual "visits" to a health provider using your phone or

computer through an app or website. You can talk to a provider face-to-face — and the provider can see you on the screen. Your regular health-care provider or health system may provide telemedicine services, and some health insurances offer telemedicine providers. You may want to consider a telemedicine appoint for problems such as:

- rashes
- minor cuts or burns
- pink eye (conjunctivitis)
- colds
- fever
- mild allergic reactions
- vomiting
- diarrhea

If you receive care in an ER, at an urgent care center, or through a telemedicine visit, follow up with your primary-care provider afterward. That way, your provider has the most up-to-date information about your condition and can continue any needed follow-up care.

REFERENCE:

<https://kidshealth.org/en/parents/emergencies.html>

**ADULT
HEALTH BULLETIN**

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Weed Control Considerations for the 2024 Season

Presenter: Dr. Travis Legleiter
Extension Specialist, Weed Science,
University of Kentucky



Dicamba Training Offered

10 AM, CT March 12, 2024

Breckinridge County Extension Community Building

Lunch Provided

Private Applicator Training will be offered

Please call 270-756-2182 to register

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MULTI-COUNTY TOBACCO PRODUCTION & GAP CERTIFICATION MEETING

Breckinridge County Extension Community Building

Tuesday, March 19, 2024

10 a.m. (ct)

Speaker: Dr. Robert Pearce, UK Tobacco Specialist

This meeting will qualify for GAP certification for all tobacco companies.

BE SURE TO BRING YOUR GAP CONNECTION CARD and A PICTURE ID

WITH YOU TO GET CERTIFIED.

A meal will be provided.

*If you want to attend this training at the Breckinridge County Extension Office,
you must call 270-756-2182 to register.*

You must stay for the entire two-hour meeting to be eligible for 2024 GAP Training credit.

***Attendance at one (1) GAP meeting is MANDATORY,
if you are going to keep selling tobacco with a GAP CARD***

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Information taken from Simplified Backyard Apple & Pear Spray Guides

PPFS-FR-T-18

TABLE 1. SIMPLIFIED LOW-SPRAY SCHEDULE FOR BACKYARD APPLE PLANTINGS.

Growth Stage ¹	Target Organism(s)	Pesticide(s) ²	Comments
Dormant (before buds swell)	Fire blight	fixed copper	Label recommendations may vary; refer to individual label for specific application timing.
	Scale	dormant oil	Spray only if you have scale insect problems. If fixed copper is used, these two sprays may be combined.
Green tip to half-inch green	Fire blight	fixed copper	Use now if you did not use it as a dormant spray.
	Scale	dormant oil	Apply now if not used as a dormant spray.
	Scab	captan	Captan and oil cannot be combined. Captan should be applied at least 7 days after the copper and oil mixture.
		no insecticides	No insecticides needed at this point.
Pink (just before blooms open)	Cedar apple rust, Scab	captan	Apply every 10 to 14 days.
	Aphids, Tarnished plant bug, Stink bug	malathion	Spray only if insects are present.
Bloom	Cedar apple rust, Scab	captan + Immunox	Immunox is systemic and will not wash off.
	Fire blight	streptomycin	Optional for fire blight control (every 4 days for a total of no more than four sprays for maximum control). Recommended for large backyard orchards.
		no insecticides	Do not use insecticides during bloom.
After petals fall	Cedar apple rust, Scab, Fruit rots	captan + Immunox	
	Codling moth, Plum curculio	malathion	
Every 2 weeks after petal fall (cover sprays) ³	Fruit rots	captan	
	Codling moth, Plum curculio cover sprays	malathion or Spinosad	For improved codling moth control; alternate malathion and spinosad every other spray.
	Mites	insecticidal soap	Spray only if mites are present.
	Sooty blotch, Fly speck	Topsin M	Thiophanate-methyl (Topsin M) may be added to tank mix for improved sooty blotch and fly speck control.
	Japanese beetles	Sevin	Spray only if insects are present.
	San Jose scale crawlers	horticultural oil	Avoid using Sevin or Captan within 14 days of an oil application.

¹ Refer to *Disease and Insect Control Programs for Homegrown Fruit in Kentucky*, ID-21, for pictures of apple growth stages.

² Insecticides and fungicides can be mixed in the same tank and sprayed together.

³ Check pesticide labels for the Pre-Harvest Interval (PHI).

TABLE 2. DISEASE-RESISTANT APPLE CULTIVARS.¹

Variety	Resistance to:				Harvest
	Apple scab	Cedar-apple rust	Fire blight	Powdery mildew	
Pristine	HR	S	S	R	mid-July
Williams Pride	HR	S	MR	R	mid-July
Redfree ²	HR	HR	S	S	early Aug
Dayton ²	HR	R	MR	R	mid-Aug
Liberty ²	HR	R ³	R	R	late Aug
Jonafree ²	HR	S	S	R	early Sept
Nova Easygro	HR	HR	R	S	early Sept
Pixie Crunch ²	HR	—	—	—	early Sept
Spartan ²	MR	R	MR	R	early Sept
CrimsonCrisp ²	HR	MR	S	S	mid-Sept
Macfree	HR	HR ³	MR	S	mid-Sept
Priscilla ²	HR	HR ³	HR	R	mid-Sept
Enterprise ²	HR	HR ³	MR	R	mid-Oct
GoldRush ²	HR	S	MR	S	mid-Oct
Sundance ²	HR	HR	HR	HR	mid-Oct
WineCrisp ²	HR	MR	HR	MR	mid-Oct

Ratings

HR = highly resistant, **R** = resistant, **MR** = moderately resistant, **S** = susceptible, **—** = insufficient information

¹ This information has been reprinted from the table of disease-resistant apples in the publication *Disease and Insect Control Programs for Homegrown Fruit in Kentucky*, ID-21. Additional resistant cultivars are listed in *Disease Susceptibility & Resistance of Common Apple Cultivars*, PPFS-FR-T-28.

² Produces high-quality apples in Kentucky.

³ Although these cultivars are resistant to cedar-apple rust, they are susceptible to cedar-quince rust.

May 2022

Photo: John Strang, University of Kentucky

Editor: Cheryl Kaiser, Plant Pathology Extension Support

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Spring Forward- Be Prepared

Brandon Peloquin– National Weather Service Wilmington, OH



As March begins and winter starts to wind down, now is the time to start thinking about being prepared for what the unpredictable spring weather can throw at us. March is a transitional month where we need to be prepared for anything and everything. In recent years, we've seen snow and cold snaps, but we've also experienced flooding and tornadoes as well. March tends to represent the battle between winter ending and spring beginning. Eventually, as we move into April and May, signs of winter disappear and spring develops in full force.

Spring can bring beautiful weather, with warm temperatures and sunny skies - great to get the flowers blooming. But it can also bring violent, dangerous weather. Do you or your family know what to do if severe weather strikes where you are? Preparation can be key for everyone's safety!

Always be weather aware! Make sure you know the weather risks of the day ahead of time. When severe thunderstorm, tornado, and flash flood warnings are issued, having multiple methods to receive these warnings and weather information is very important for you to be able to take the appropriate action. This could include a NOAA weather radio, a reverse call system, television/radio, or nearby sirens if you are outdoors. In addition, you should know what to do when these warnings are issued. Have a plan - and put that plan into action. Make sure you have a safety kit ready to go, as well as a point of contact who can make sure everyone is accounted for and safe.

A Severe Thunderstorm Warning means severe weather (damaging winds at least 60 mph and/or large hail of 1 inch or greater) has been reported by spotters or indicated by the National Weather Service's radar. Take shelter in a substantial building, away from windows. If the severe thunderstorm warning states winds in excess of 80 mph, treat it like a tornado warning.

A Tornado Warning means a tornado has been spotted or indicated by radar. There is imminent danger to life and property. Take action now! Move to the basement or an underground cellar if possible. If an underground shelter is not available, move to an interior room (multiple walls between you and the outside of the house) on the lowest floor of a sturdy building. You should be sheltered well away from windows or any outside doors. The smaller the interior room the better (closet, bathroom, hallway).

A Flash Flood Warning means a flash flood (rapid rise of water) is imminent or occurring and could infringe on property or threaten life. If you are in a flood prone area, move immediately to higher ground. Do NOT try to travel across flooded roadways. Know ahead of time which roads are likely to flood, and what other routes out are available (if any). If water is starting to rise, go ahead and evacuate before it's too late.

Make it a point to practice your severe weather plan. The month of March is a great time to pick a day to simulate that severe weather is happening and to practice your plan with family members and friends so that everyone knows what to do and where to go in an actual severe weather situation.

After a long winter, we all look forward to the warmer and sunnier days of spring. However, the risk for hazardous weather also increases, so being prepared now can help limit the impact.

EQUIPMENT FOR RENT

The Extension Office has a No-Till Seed Drill, an in-line silage Hay Wrapper and Boomless Pasture Sprayers available for rent.

For more information on renting or to schedule a date to use call:

No-Till Seed Drill —
Hobdy Dye & Reed at 270-756-2555

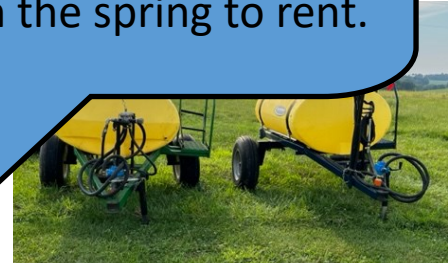
Inline Silage Hay Wrapper —
Wright Implement at 270-756-5152

2 –Boomless Pasture Sprayers —
Carol Hinton at 270-617-3417



These have been put to sleep for the winter.

Call in the spring to rent.



FREE Soybean Cyst Nematode Testing:

If you are interested in taking and receiving information on Soybean Cyst Nematode levels in your fields, please contact the Breckinridge County Extension Service.

Almanac Tidbits for: February

Plant above ground crops — 10, 11, 14, 15, 18-20

Plant Below ground crops — 1-3, 6, 7, 26-29

Seed Beds — 1-3, 18-20, 28, 29

Kill plant pests: — 4, 5, 8, 9, 12, 13, 16, 17, 21-25

Aries		♈
Taurus		♉
Gemini		♊
Cancer		♋
Leo		♌
Virgo		♍
Libra		♎
Scorpio		♏
Sagittarius		♐
Capricorn		♑
Aquarius		♒
Pisces		♓

Breckinridge County Recycling Program



All recycling sites are
accessible 24 hours a day,
seven days a week.

Stop by one of the following recycling centers near you:

Breckinridge County High School
Cloverport Fire Department
Auggie Doggie's, Garfield
St. Romuald Gym, Hardinsburg
McQuady Firehouse
Breckinridge County Extension Office
Rough River Corp of Engineers Office
McDaniels Fire Department
Frederick Fraize High School, Cloverport
Hardinsburg Elementary School
Union Star

Mark Your Calendar!

February 22, 2024—BCCA meeting, Breckinridge County Extension Community Building

February 27, 2024—Logger WebTV, Extension Farmers' Market & Educational Facility,
Registration required.

March 7, 2024—Private Applicator Training—Extension Farmers' Market & Educational Facility

March 12, 2024—Weed Control Consideration for 2024—Breckinridge County Extension Community
Building

March 19, 2024—GAP Annual Training, Breckinridge County Extension Community Building

March 21, 2024—BCCA meeting, Breckinridge County Extension Community Building

May 14, 2024—UK Wheat Field Day, Princeton, KY

June 19-22, 2024—Breckinridge County Fair

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