



Agriculture & Extension Education Committee

Wednesday, September 12, 2018 – 7:00 p.m.

Rock County Courthouse

Courthouse Conference Center 2nd Floor

51 S. Main St., Janesville, WI 53545

1. Call to Order
2. Adoption of Agenda
3. Approval of minutes from August 8, 2018
4. Citizen Participation, Communication and Announcements
5. October Meeting Possible Date Change

UW-Extension:

6. Rock County UW-Extension staff and program updates
 - a. Discussion and possible action for fully county-funded, part-time, 4-H Coordinator
 - b. Farm Update – discussion and possible action of Best Management Practices to be included in the 2019 County Farm Lease
7. Review of Payments

Fairgrounds:

8. Fairgrounds Maintenance and Contracts
9. Fairgrounds
 - a. Discussion and possible action on long-term planning
10. Fair Board Report
11. Comments from the Committee
12. Adjourn

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BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES

Groundwater Nitrate Work Group

August 27, 2018

The following Best Management Practices are being recommended by the Groundwater Nitrate Workgroup to the Agricultural and Extension Committee to be included in the 2019 County Farm Lease.

Nutrient Management (NRCS 590, published 2015):

The source, rate, timing and method of application for all major nutrients — nitrogen (N), phosphorus (P₂O₅), and potassium (K₂O) shall be accounted for and shall be consistent with the most current edition of UWEX A2809 recommendations.

Nitrogen Application Timing – The goal of timing nitrogen (N) applications to corn is to supply adequate N when the crop needs it, without supplying excess that can potentially be lost. Applying N at multiple times, including the time of maximum crop uptake, can spread the risk of N loss and crop deficiency, improve profitability by reducing N rates, and benefit the environment.

Cover Crops:

Grasses, small grains, legumes, forbs, and/or other herbaceous plants established for seasonal cover and conservation purposes, specific to reducing nitrogen leaching to groundwater.

Conservation Tillage:

AKA Reduced Till: Managing the amount, orientation, and distribution of crop and other plant residue on the soil surface year round while limiting the soil-disturbing activities used to grow and harvest crops in systems where the entire field surface is tilled prior to planting. Minimum 30% residue post planting.

Nitrification Inhibitor:

A compound that temporarily blocks the activity of nitrifying bacteria and limits the conversion of ammonium to nitrate. Use of a nitrification inhibitor with ammonium based fertilizers or manure has the potential to reduce nitrate loss via leaching or denitrification. Follow product label.

Alan Sweeney
Groundwater Nitrate Work Group Chair

Date

COMMITTEE REVIEW REPORT
FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST 2018

Account Number	Account Name	PO#	Check Date	Vendor Name	Inv/Enc Amt
56-5600-0000-63100	OFC SUPP & EXP	P1801848	08/16/2018	US BANK	1,160.99
56-5600-0000-63101	POSTAGE	P1802169	08/16/2018	UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE	225.00
56-5600-0000-63300	TRAVEL		08/16/2018	FLICKINGER,ANGELA	94.27
			08/16/2018	MURWIN,EMILY	105.69
				U.W.EXTENSION PROG TOTAL	1,585.95
56-5605-0000-64604	PROGRAM EXPENSE	P1801848	08/16/2018	US BANK	513.49
				UW-EXTENSION EDUCATION PROG TOTAL	513.49
56-5625-0000-63400	OPERATING SUPPLI	P1800027	08/16/2018	DELONG CO INC,THE	89.78
		P1800028	08/16/2018	JOHNSON TRACTOR INC	72.66
		P1800033	08/16/2018	MENARDS	28.97
		P1801848	08/16/2018	US BANK	135.86
				FARM-GENERAL FUND PROG TOTAL	327.27

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I have reviewed the preceding payments in the total amount of \$2,426.71

Date: _____ Dept Head _____

Committee Chair _____

FG_2018_43	TOM HATHAWAY	HOMELESS FUNDRAISER	9/8/18
FG_2018_44	MIKE TRUESDILL	BARN HUNT	9/21 - 9/23
FG_2018_45	JANESVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICT	ZOOZORT	10/16/18

FG_2019_03

ROCK AND GEM SHOW

3/22 - 3/24

\$150.00	6/7/18	6/7/18	\$100.00	7-Jun	
\$750.00	7/26/18	7/26/18	\$0.00	N/A	
\$300.00	7/27/18		\$0.00	N/A	

\$30,550

\$1,350.00 0 0 N/A