

FEED THY NEIGHBOR

Harvest time is a busy time, but it's also infused with a sense of bounty and gratitude. As we approach the season of Thanksgiving, many find it meaningful to focus on that gratitude for the many blessings in their lives.

If you'd like to turn that reflection into meaningful action, there are so many opportunities to lend a hand and help others who may be in need.



One of those ways is to join the effort toward creating food security in your neighborhood. Consider contributing to local food banks this holiday. They do more than just address hunger... food banks enable a better tomorrow.

What is food security?

Food security is more than just having enough to eat. It's the opportunity to gather around a table, have conversations, and begin to dream of new possibilities. By giving our communities consistent access to food, Louisiana food banks help enable academic success among students, allow parents to focus on their work, and help seniors maintain their well-being.

Feeding Louisiana, the Louisiana Food Bank Association, supports the collaborative efforts of the state's five regional food banks to reduce hunger and increase the resources needed for our communities to live healthy lives. Their mission is to be a unified voice for Louisiana's hungry by providing short-term food relief while seeking long-term solutions to hunger through advocacy, education, and leadership.

Feeding Louisiana's member food banks serve all 64 parishes and partner with more than 900 community and faith-based organizations to distribute millions of pounds of food throughout the state each year.

> Visit their website at www. feedinglouisiana.org to find ways to get involved. Whether you donate food, money, or your time and energy, you can be part of the effort to end hunger in Louisiana communities.

Grow a row to share

If you're a home gardener or local farmers, you may be interested in the LSU AgCenter's Grow a Row to Share program. It will connect you with charitable food organizations like food pantries, and you'll help them get more fresh fruits and vegetables into the local food system and onto the plates of Louisiana residents, especially those who are experiencing hunger and food insecurity.

Louisiana has some of the highest rates of food insecurity and obesity in the

country. More than 1 in 10 American households face food insecurity in a nation where up to 40% of the food supply goes to waste.

Food pantries and other charitable food sites work to provide healthful foods to their clients, but fresh fruits and vegetables are often not available.

In a state like Louisiana with some of the most avid home gardeners, you can be part of this simple, common-sense solution that bridges the gap between those who grow food locally and those who need food locally.

The program provides training and information on home gardening, food safety, and food handling procedures. After donors register and complete the training, they are matched with a charitable food partner in their area.

There is no commitment on how much or how little participants must donate. Just share when you have extra and remember that every bit counts!

For more information, including gardening resources, visit the LSU AgCenter website at **www.** Isuagcenter.com. To register for the program, visit https://tinyurl.com/GrowARowToShare.



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Apprenticeship Project for Growing Beekeepers and Honey Producers

The Louisiana Department of Agriculture and Forestry (LDAF) announces the opportunity to participate in the Apprenticeship Project for Growing Beekeepers and Honey Producers in Louisiana. The LDAF will work in partnership with high school agriculture teachers to offer a beekeeping apprenticeship project with high school agriculture students.

The window to apply is now through November 22, 2024. The application and application guidelines for the Apprenticeship Project for Growing Beekeepers and Honey Producers in Louisiana are now available at https://www.ldaf.la.gov/animals/bees. Applicants are encouraged to review the guidelines and gather the documentation necessary for submission.

"Bee farming is vital to agriculture and substantially contributes to our economy," said LDAF Commissioner Mike Strain, DVM. "Honey bees are important pollinators that help sustain the environment, and furthering education around their vital role is imperative for continued preservation. This will be our third year of implementing this project in high schools throughout the state, and we are excited to see the interest continue to grow."

> Through the Apprenticeship Project for Growing Beekeepers and Honey Producers in Louisiana, LDAF will sponsor four high school agriculture programs and/or educators with up to \$10,000 in beehive and beekeeping resources to establish, with the help of students, an apiary (bee yard) of up to five beehives at their schools. Each school will also receive equipment and supplies needed to produce and package honey.

> > See BEES, page 21

LOUISIANA MARKET BULLETIN (USPS 672-600)

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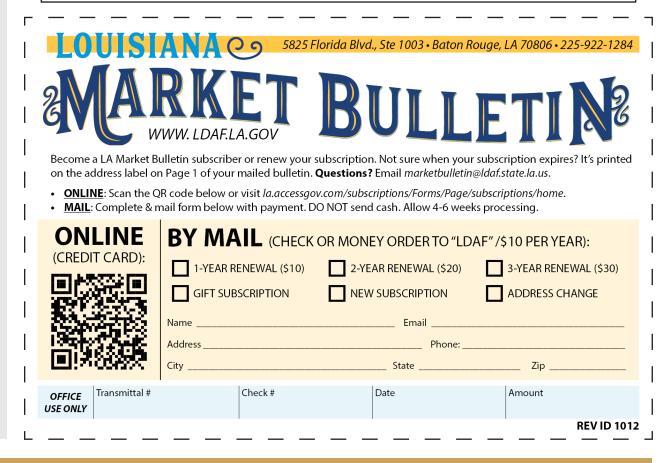
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ALABAMA SE HAY REPORT, NOVEMBER 7, 2024

Bermuda Large Round	Premium	\$160-\$200/ton
Bermuda Medium Round	Premium	\$150-\$200/ton
Bermuda Small Square	Premium	\$280-\$440/ton

SOUTH TEXAS WEEKLY HAY REPORT, NOVEMBER 1, 2024

Bermuda Large Round	Fair/Good	\$135-\$155/ton
Bermuda Small Square	Fair/Good	\$235-\$265/ton



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Eunice Farmers Market

Sat 9AM-12PM, May-Nov

Stephensville Market Rec Park

Under bridge @ 3rd & Lima St

Abita Springs Art & Farmers •

Covington Farmers Market •

Sat 8AM-noon, Wed 10AM-2PM

Mandeville Trailhead Market •

675 Lafitte St, Sat 9AM-1PM

Pearl River Farmers Market

& Craft Show, 64537 Hwy 41

Camellia City Farmers Market •

2055 2nd St, City Hall Parking

Market, 106 NW Railroad Ave,

St. Joseph Tailgate Market

Sat 8-11AM, Mem-Labor Day

Cajun Farmers Market of ●

Houma, Naguin St & Martin L

King Blvd, Mon-Sat 6AM-6PM

Abbeville Farmers Market •

Jun 20, Jul 11, Aug 15, Sept 19,

Magdalen Sq, Abbeville

Kaplan Farmers Market

Leesville Farmers Market

Wed 10AM-2PM, Sat 8AM-2PM

Franklinton Farmers Market •

Washington St & 15th Ave

Mon-Sat, 6:30AM-7PM

St. Francisville Market •

Winn Farmers Market •

301 West Main, Winnfield

Tues-Fri, 7AM-until sold out

Thurs 8AM-1PM, Spring-Fall

WEST FELICIANA

9961 Wilcox St

WINN

2nd Sat. 8AM-12PM

WASHINGTON

VERNON

S. 3rd St

Oct 17 & Nov 21. 8AM-1PM

Turnley Park, 119 N Irvin Ave

Garage, Sat 8AM-12PM

3rd Sat 9AM-1PM (Mar-Jun &

3257 Hwy 70, Morgan City

Second St & Park Ave

Berwick Town Market

Market, 22049 Main St

609 North Columbia St

ST. MARTIN

2nd Sat, 10AM

ST. MARY

Sept-Dec)

ST. TAMMANY

Sun 11AM - 3 PM

1st Sat 8AM-2 PM

TANGIPAHOA

Sat 8AM-12PM

TERREBONNE

VERMILION

TENSAS

Hammond Market ●

Gazebo on Plank Rd

VISIT YOUR LOCAL A FARMERS MARKET

ACADIA

Rayne Farmers Market Frog Fest Pavilion, 210 Frog Fest Dr 2nd Sat, 8AM-2PM

ALLEN

Oberlin Farmers Market • 228 West 6th Ave Wed 9AM-1PM

ASCENSION

Hwy. 621 Outdoor Market 39275 Hwy 621, Gonzales Seasonal on Sat 8AM-12PM April-Aug, Oct-Dec

Riverside Farmers Market of LA, 45020 Manny Guitreau Rd Sat, 9AM-2PM, 1st & 3rd Sun 10AM-2PM

ASSUMPTION

Barcelo Gardens Farmers • Market, 211 Franklin Ave, Napoleonville, Sat, 11AM-2PM

AVOYELLES

Marksville Farmers Market 122 E. Mark St, Sat 8-11AM, Jun

BEAUREGARD

DeRidder Farmers Market • 206 N. Washington Ave Daily 7AM-6PM

BOSSIER

Barksdale Market 3226 Barksdale Blvd Sun 10AM-2PM, Apr-Jun

Sat 9AM-1PM, April-Nov

Benton Farmers Market 495 Simpson, Sun 12-4PM Bossier City Farmers Market 2950 E Texas St

CADDO

Greenwood Farmers Market • William Peters Town Park, 9381 Greenwood Rd Sat 8AM-12PM, Jun-Aug

Shreveport Farmers Market River front at Festival Plaza Sat 7:30AM-12:30PM, Jun-Aug

CALCASIEU

Cash & Carry Farmers Market • 801 Enterprise Blvd, Lake Charles, Corner of Broad & Enterprise, Tues, 4-6PM

Charlestown Farmers Market Bilbo St. behind old City Hall Sat 8AM-12PM

Iowa Farmers Market 115 N. Thompson, Sat, 9AM-1PM

Moss Bluff Farmers & Crafters, Sam Houston Jones Pkwy Sat 8AM-12PM, April-Oct

CALDWELL

Columbia Farmers Market • Main Street Sat 8AM-12PM, June & July

CLAIBORNE

Harvest Time Homer • W Main & N 2nd St Sat 8AM-1PM, May-Oct

CONCORDIA

Delta Farmers Market ● 405 Carter St, Vidalia Wed 9AM-1PM, June-1st freeze

EAST BATON ROUGE

Red Stick Farmers Market #1 Fifth St & Main St, Baton Rouge Sat 8AM-12PM

Red Stick Farmers Market #2 • Pennington Biomedical (Perkins), Thurs 8AM-12PM

Red Stick Farmers Market #3 • 7711 Goodwood, Baton Rouge Tues 8AM-12PM, Apr-Jul, Oct-Dec

Red Stick Farmers Mobile ● Market, ExxonMobil YMCA, 7717 Howell Blvd, Baton Rouge Thurs 9AM-12PM, May-Jul, Oct-Nov

Zachary Famers & Artisans ● Market, Memorial Park Sat 10AM-2PM

EVANGELINE

Ville Platte Farmers Market East Main St, May-Aug, Fri 4-6PM

GRANT

Colfax Farmers Market • 8th St near Pecan Festival Bldg Sat 9AM-12PM, May-Nov

IBERIA

Delcambre Farmers Market • 605 S Railroad St (Hwy 330) 1st Sat 9AM-1PM, Mar-Dec

Da Berry Fresh Market • 520 S. Hopkins St, New Iberia Wed -Sun 10AM-6PM

Teche Area Farmers Market • 102 W Main St. Bouligny Plaza Tues 2-5PM, Sat 7-11AM

IBERVILLE

St. Gabriel Farmers Market 3495 Hwy 75 @ 5755 Hwy 74 3rd Sat, 9AM-2PM

JEFFERSON

Markets that accept FMNP Food Benefits Cards

Rotary Grand Isle Farmers Market, Oak Lane 2nd Sat, 8AM-1PM

Gretna Farmers Market • Huey P. Long Ave Sat 8:30AM-12:30PM

Harahan Farmers Market • 501 Oak Ave @ Wilson & Hickory, Sun 9AM-1PM

Crescent City #1 2614 Jefferson @ Maine St. (Ochsner) Wed 3-7PM Oct-Jul

Crescent City #2 325 Metairie-Hammond Hwy. @ the Lake (Bucktown)

> Fri 3-7PM Lafreniere Park Farmers Arts • Market, 3000 Downs Blvd.

Metairie Wed, Jan-Nov, 2-7PM Sat, Dec 3, 10, and 17, 9AM-1PM

JEFFERSON DAVIS

Coushatta Farmers Market Hwy 190 & Pine St, Elton 1st Sat 7:30AM-12PM, Oct-Jun

Main Street Farmers Market 1333 Elton Rd, Jennings Sat 9AM-12PM, March-Dec

Welsh Farmers Market 103 W. Grove St Tues 3:30-6PM, May-Sept

LAFAYETTE

Acadiana Farmers Market ● 801 Foreman Dr & Dulles St, Tues & Sat, 5-10AM, year round

Lafayette Jockey Lot Flea Market, 3011 NW Evangeline Thrwy, Sat 9AM-5PM, Sun 10AM-5PM

Farmers & Artisans Market ● Horse Farm, 2913 Johnston St, Lafayette, Sat 8AM-12PM

LAFOURCHE

Lafourche Central Market 4484 Hwy 1 at US 90, Raceland Sat 9AM-12PM

LASALLE

Olla Town Square Market • 2990 Front St, Tues 1-5PM, May-Aug 11

Town of Tullos Farmers' Market Corner of S Main & Park St Fri, 12-4PM, May 1-Aug 28

LINCOLN

Ruston Farmer's Market • 220 E Mississippi, Sat 9AM-1PM

LIVINGSTON

Four Seasons Farmers Market

Sat 8AM-12PM

Livingston Farmers Market 215 Florida St, Denham Springs Sat 7AM-12PM

MADISON

Tallulah Farmers Market #1 • 404 N Cedar St, Hwy. 65 Tues, Thurs & Sat, 6AM-5PM Sat 8AM-12PM, Jun-Dec

Tallulah Farmers Market #2 Court House Square Tues, Thurs, 6AM-5PM Sat 8AM-12PM, Jun-Dec

MOREHOUSE

Morehouse Parish Market 305 E Madison, Bastrop Mon-Sat 7AM-5PM



Learn more the Farmers Market Nutrition Program (FMNP) at www.ldaf.la.gov/food/farmers-market-nutrition-programs

NATCHITOCHES

Natchitoches River Front, Sat 8AM-12PM, Apr-Aug, Oct-Nov

Natchitoches Farmers Market Mobile Market #1 (City Park) Tues-Fri10AM-6PM, Apr-Aug, Oct-Nov

Natchitoches Mobile Farmers Market #2 (Riverbank) Mon-Wed 10AM-6PM, Apr-Aug, Oct-Nov

ORLEANS

Barcelo Gardens • 2301 Gallier St, Sat 10AM-1PM

Crescent City Farmers • Market — UPTOWN New Orleans, 200 Broadway Tues 8AM - 12PM

Crescent City Farmers • Market — MID-CITY New Orleans, Lafitte Greenway Plaza, 500 N. Norman Parkway Thurs 3PM - 7PM

Crescent City Farmers ● Market — CITY PARK New Orleans, Tad Gormely Stadium Marconi @ Navarre Sun 8 AM - 12PM

OUACHITA

Monroe Farmers Market • 1200 Washington St Mon-Sat 6 AM-1PM, May-Nov

W Monroe Farmers Market • 1700 North 7th St Mon-Sat 8AM-5PM, May-Oct

RAPIDES

Alexandria Farmers Market • 2727 Jackson St, Tues 3-6PM

Boyce Farmers' Market 627 Pacific Ave, Wed 3-6PM

Cabrini Farmers Market 2211 Texas Ave, Alexandria Sat 9AM-12PM

RICHLAND

Destrehan

Wed 1-5PM

ST. HELENA

ST. LANDRY

11AM, Apr-Nov

Sat 8AM-12PM

Delhi Farmers Market 1104 Broadway St Mon-Sat 8AM-6PM, Apr-Nov

St. Charles Parish Library,

160 West Campus Dr,

German Coast #2 •

Market, 6032 LA-10,

West Bank Bridge Park

St. Helena Parish Farmers •

Greensburg, Fri, 8AM-1PM

St. Landry Farmers Market

952 East Landry St, Hwy 190, Opelousas, Tu/Th/Sat 6:30-

13825 River Rd, Luling

ST. CHARLES German Coast #1 •

CLASSIFIED AD CATEGORIES

Claiborne

Bienville

Webster

Red

River

Bossier

Caddo

DeSoto

AGRITOURISM

ANIMALS

Bees Cattle Deer & exotics Dogs Domesticated birds Horses, mules, & jacks Pigeons Poultry & fowl Rabbits Sheep & goats Swine

AQUACULTURE

EQUIPMENT

Contractor equipment Equipment services for hire Hay equipment Lawn equipment **Pickers & harvesters** Planting & tillage Trailers & wagons Other ag equipment

FARM BUILDINGS FOR SALVAGE

FARM & LIVESTOCK SUPPLIES

Nest

Carrol

East Carroll

Madison

Tensas

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Tack
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Morehouse

Union

Ouachita

Caldwell

Lincoln

Jackson

Winn

Other ag implements

Richland

Franklin

Catahoula

FERTILIZER

FOOD

Eggs Fruits & vegetables Honey Jams & jellies From the farm

HAY & GRAIN

HOBBIES & LEISURE

Crafts & woodwork Sewing & fabrics

HUNTING, FISHING, & CAMPING

Fishing & tackle Guns & accessories Leases & memberships

Miscellaneous hunt/fish/camp

LUMBER & SAWING PLANTS & GARDEN

Seeds, flowers, & ornamentals Trees & fruiting vines

REAL ESTATE

SERVICES

Equine services Farm services Livestock boarding Nuisance animal removal Stallion service

Natchitoches LaSalle **TRACTORS** Grant Sabine **VEHICLES** ATVS Boats Farm trucks Rapides Avoyelles Vernon Kangipanoa West Feliciana St. Washington East Helena Feliciana Evangeline Allen Pointe Beauregard St. East Coupee St. Landry Baton Tammany WBR Rouge Livingston Jefferson Acadia St. John St. Stayerre Iberville Calcasieu scension Davis Martin the Baptis St. Orlea St. Assumptio Jame St. Iberia Bernard St. Charles Cameron Vermilion Plaquemines Martin Jefferso1 St. Mary Lafourche Terrebonne

DEADLINES & GUIDELINES

ISSUE	DEADLINE (12 PM)
DEC 12	Thursday, Nov. 28
DEC 26	Thursday, Dec. 12
JAN 9	Thursday, Dec. 26

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AGRITOURISM

HENRY FARM PETTING ZOO

Mobile Petting Zoo, birthday parties, special events, we bring the fun to you, book now, message us on Facebook. Henry Farm Petting Zoo, Ville Platte, Evangeline Parish: (337) 831-0904.

THE A MAZE ING TRACE NURSERY & NATURE TRAILS

1.5-mile scenic woods trail. catch and release fishing, kavaks, waterfall, cave, etc. picnic areas, group parties, churches, schools, playground, games, golf cart rides for elderly, flowering plants and signage throughout, professional photographers welcome, like us on Facebook. The A Maze Ing Trace Trails, Husser, Tangipahoa Parish; (985) 320-4478 or (985) 981-7819.



Enjoy a unique video and education on family roots and crops that we farm today, then a bus tour to see all things happening on the farm during sugarcane harvest, after there will be crafts to take home and tasty treats to try, come

of what we do. Limited spots for certain dates, private tours available upon request, minimum of 20 people, call for scheduling and pricing. Four Oaks Farm, Pointe Coupee Parish: (225) 718-3221.

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Honey Do Farms are offering Western lessons, ages 4 & up. we supply everything, summer camps & birthday parties. Kori Schexnavder. Church Point. St. Landry Parish; (337) 668-4777 or (337) 316-4619

ANIMALS

CATTLE

ATTENTION bull sellers and buyers: All non-virgin bulls and bulls older than 18 months for sale in Louisiana must have a current negative trichomoniasis test from an accredited veterinarian before they may be sold. Virgin bulls must have a breeder's certification of virgin status signed by the breeder, the breeder's agent, or an accredited veterinarian. For more information, contact LDAF Animal Health Services and Food Safety at (225) 925-3980 or visit the LDAF website at www.ldaf.la.gov

REMINDER: Have all your heifer calves between four and 12 months of age been vaccinated against brucellosis? For information, contact your local veterinarian, LDAF animal health personnel, parish Cattlemen's Association, or parish Farm Bureau.

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- **EMAIL:** marketbulletinads@ldaf.state.la.us
- MAIL FORM BELOW: 5825 Florida Blvd, Ste. 2001, Baton Rouge, LA 70806

FOR SALE/WANTED (CIRCLE ONE)

Category ____

Address ___

_____ Name _____ _____ City _____

Zip _____ Parish ____

____ Phone ___

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ANGUS

PB Black Angus Bulls (2) 7 months old , \$1,200 each. Clinton Breland, Angie, Washington Parish: (985) 515-8883.

Ten 18-month-old registered black angus virgin bulls, exceptional genetics, BSE checked and one, breeding season guaranteed, \$5,000, Earl Lemoine, Moreauville, Avoyelles Parish; (318) 452-5503.

2 Registered Black Angus heifers, 12-13 months, 800 lbs. excellent quality, performance. dispositions, and EPD's, all vaccinations, \$2,250- \$2,375. Zachary Comeaux, Scott, Lafayette Parish; (337) 288-6526 or cquin1@bellsouth.net

BRAHMAN

PB Brahman bulls, one 18 months, very gentle, \$1,200, one 7 months, gentle, \$800, both are very well bred. Sam Broussard, Maurice, Vermilion Parish; (979) 479-0929.

PB Brahman cow, gentle, very well bred, first calf weaned. exposed back to Brahman bull, great for F1 program, \$1,500. Sam Broussard, Maurice, Vermilion Parish; (979) 479-0929.

BRANGUS

Golden Certified F1 Brangus Bulls, 2 years old, \$3,000 and up. Philip Chiasson, Galliano, Lafourche Parish; (985) 637-7538.

Six Reg. Brangus heifers, gentle, good bloodline, 6 to 9 months old, can send pictures, \$1,500- \$2,000. Ronald Chiasson, Larose, Lafourche Parish: (985) 291-5204.

Three Brangus/Baldies heifers, out of reg. Brangus cows and Hereford bull, two are 9 months old, one is six months old. can send pictures, \$1,350 each. Ronald Chiasson, Larose, Lafourche Parish; (985) 291-5204.

CHAROLAIS

2 weaned Registered Yearling Charolais bull calves, low birth weight, gentle, pictures to show, \$1,800 each. Garry Lavergne, Ville Platte, Evangeline Parish; (337) 831-6345.

Registered Full Blood Charolais Bulls, Profit Maker Bulls, will add bone, tons of meat and growth to calves, very gentle, low birth weights and superior bloodlines, \$4,000. Marylyn M Fitzsimons, Franklinton, Washington Parish; (985) 515-8527.

HEREFORD

2 registered polled Hereford bulls, born March of 2023, thick, deep bodied bulls, outstanding pedigrees, excellent EPD's, fertility tested and sound breeders, sire is out of R Leader and on site for viewing, \$3,500 each. James, Marksville, Avoyelles Parish; (318) 305-6101

OTHER

Charolais X Angus bulls and heifers, some Angus, 8-11 months, Bulls, \$1,100, Heifers, \$900. RichardVairin, Kenner, Jefferson Parish; (504) 467-8986.

Scottish Highland Bull baby, should be black. 6-months-old. \$1,000. Skip Russell, Ruston. Lincoln Parish; (318) 548-5050.

DOGS

Bird dogs for sale, 1 AKC Brittany male and 3 field dog stud book registered English Pointers, call for pricing. David Brabham, Kentwood, Tangipahoa Parish; (985) 974-1950.

ASDR Mini Australian Shepard puppies, beautiful markings, most with blue eyes, females and males, born 9/17/2024, first vaccine done, call for pictures or questions, call for pricing. Bernadette Murphy, Jennings, Jefferson Davis

ASDR Mini Australian Shepard

Parish; (337) 821-8301.

puppies, red Bi's and Tri's, Bi's. 1 female 3 males. born 10/15/2024, call for pictures or questions, call for pricing. Bernadette Murphy, Jennings, Jefferson Davis Parish; (337) 821-8301.

Shih Tzu Christmas puppies,

cute and fluffy, 4 boys, black and white and fawn color, ready in four weeks, no shots or papers, \$600 each. Cherry Taylor and Kermit Richard, Lafavette, Lafavette Parish; (337) 349-7417.

Shih Tzu puppies, 2 males in the litter, no papers, no shots, another litter on October 16, 2024. \$600 each. Cherry Taylor and Kermit Richard, Lafayette, Lafayette Parish; (337) 349-7417.

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AKC Belgian Malinois Pups, both parents are working K9s, these pups will be great family protection dogs, \$2,000. Cindi Gascon, Gretna, Jefferson Parish; (601) 299-0264.

NRTA Reg. Rat Terrier puppies, farm dogs, DNA testing, vet health certificate cleared by parents, call for availability, \$600 each. George Snyder, Saint Amant, Ascension Parish; (225) 588-5757.

Three Registered labs, ready to go, call for pricing. J.C. Trahan, Maurice, Vermilion Parish; (337) 296-6645.

Decker Rat Terrier Puppies,

AKC, UKC, DHTR, 8 weeks old on Nov. 20, best squirrel, ratter, pet or farm dog, extremely athletic, 50% deposit will hold, \$800. John Price, Covington, St. Tammany Parish; (985) 966-0935.

5-month-old beautiful, full-

blood Brittany Spaniel male puppy, liver color, ready to start, \$300. Kimberly Graham, Greensburg, St. Helena Parish; (985) 514-3685.

CKC Pomeranians, ready October 30, first shots and vet visit, 1 Blue Merle male, 1 Party Creme male, weight 2.5 to 6lbs, \$2,800. Michelle, Metairie, Jefferson Parish: (504) 906-7599.

Great Pyrenees puppies, born November 2, 2024, ready December 14, protect livestock and anything they're raised with, \$100 deposit, \$250. Mitch Johnson, Pitkin, Vernon Parish; (337) 423-3507.

Australian Shepherd puppies, good dogs, easily trained, ready mid January, will be UTD on shots, \$100 deposit, \$250 total. Mitch Johnson, Pitkin, Vernon Parish; (337) 423-3507.

Jack Russel puppies, squirrel dogs, house dogs, kill rodents, bark at intruders, ready in early 2025, \$75 deposit, \$150 total. Mitch Johnson, Pitkin, Vernon Parish; (337) 423-3507.

Purebred Jack Russell puppies, squirrel dogs, easily trained, to be born end of November, great Christmas present, \$75 deposit, \$150 total. Mitch Johnson, Pitkin, Vernon Parish; (337) 423-3507.

GERMAN Shorthaired Pointer puppies AKC Registered, Liver, Roan, dew claws removed, tails docked, 2 sets of vaccinations, wormed, vet checked, call for pricing. Monique Hebert, Thibodaux, Lafourche Parish; (985) 438-5052.

German Shepherd puppies, AKC bloodline, due in

September, large, intelligent with good disposition, \$800-\$1200. Norman Baudoin, Cottonport, Avoyelles Parish; (318) 305-1733.

Blue heeler, 7 months old, male, up to date on all shots, \$125. Ronald Pourciau, Baton Rouge, East Baton Rouge Parish; (225) 361-3907.

Belgium Malinois male, neutered, 2 1/2 years old, needs a younger owner, text for pictures, \$200. Ted Smith, Opelousas, St. Landry Parish; (337) 308-6506.

DOMESTICATED BIRDS

9 Bourke parakeets, 2 rosy and 7 normals, all DNA tested, males, \$125 each. Donald Jacob, LaPlace, St. John The Baptist Parish; (985) 652-6614.

Quakers hand fed 5 months old, \$250. Josh, Duson, Lafayette Parish; (337) 704-8871.

WANTED: Parrot, type can be

as small as a Caique or as large as a Cockatoo or Macaw, pet is preferred but I do have experience if not completely tamed. Chris Barnette, Baton Rouge, East Baton Rouge Parish; (228) 493-5608.

HORSES, MULES, & JACKS

All horses, mules, and jacks must be from bona fide livestock farmers. We cannot accept notices from horse dealers, order buyers, or persons selling on a commission basis. For all horses, mules, or jacks (except nursing foals), seller must provide to the buyer at the time of sale a copy of the original official negative Coggins test for Equine Infectious Anemia (EIA) that was performed within the past 6 months prior to sale.

LM Shotgun Red 11-year-old gelding, standing 14.3, reject cutter will track the dummy on both sides, don't let his age bother you, he has the want and will excel in the roping pen or out on the trails, has papers, \$8,000. Kelsey Tucker, Labadieville, Assumption Parish; (662) 419-5871.

Playguns Applejack 6-year-old AQHA sorrel gelding, standing 14.2hh, ranched on in the Panhandle of New Mexico, roped the breakaway dummy, \$6,000. Kelsey Tucker, Labadieville, Assumption Parish; (662) 419-5871.

Beginner roping horse mainly used for heeling, will head

too may also be good for kids playday horse,16-yearsold, about 14.5 hands, very gentle, \$8,000. Lamar Holmes, Keatchie, DeSoto Parish; (318) 286-7406.

Mini Horse boys, \$300, mini

Horse girls, \$500 most are bred, mini Burros boys, \$300, mini Burros, \$450 most are bred, baby Mule dark brown 24" tall, \$400. Skip Russell, Ruston, Lincoln Parish; (318) 548-5050.

14.5 Buckskin Gelding 10-12-year-old, broke to ride and very gentle, \$1,700. Sonny Detraz, Abbeville, Vermilion Parish; (337) 652-5172.

WANTED: Horse mare in foal. Richard Macaluso, Hammond, Tangipahoa Parish; (985) 320-8213.

WANTED: Stout registered quarter horse, age 10 to16 for my grandkids to learn to ride. Skip, Ruston, Lincoln Parish; (318) 548-5050.

PIGEONS

Racing homing pigeons different breeds: Blue Bars and Blue Checks speed birds (Janssens), Black Eagles, Red and White and Black and White Blue Check Grizzle Trenton Birds and Muelemans, \$20 each. Vernon Champagne, Houma, Terrebonne Parish; (985) 873-8440.

POULTRY & FOWL

Peacock, over half grown, \$150 per blue. Donald Collins,





DeRidder, Beauregard Parish; (337) 396-2091.

Red Jungle Fowl, sell out, \$20 per pair firm. Penny Baker, DeRidder, Beauregard Parish; (337) 390-9108.

2 pairs of Swinhoe pheasants, \$200 per pair. Randy Montz, Amite, Tangipahoa Parish; (504) 810-0237.

Grown Pekin ducks, \$15 each, quantity discount, Flying Mallard ducks, \$30 a pair. Ray Dauzat, Marksville, Avoyelles Parish; (318) 305-4566.

Wood Ducks, 2024 hatch, \$60 per pair. Russell Bourgeois, Jeanerette, Iberia Parish; (985) 397-0070.

Lavender Guineas, beautiful and young, \$25 each. Stanley Stewart, Franklinton, Washington Parish; (985) 241-2269.

ISA Browns hatched in July,

Females \$10 apiece, other chickens for sale, too, Geese 7 months old \$40. Tracey L Wagley, Glenmora, Rapides Parish; (318) 664-5131.

Male Turkey hatched in March, \$40. Tracey L Wagley, Glenmora, Rapides Parish; (318) 664-5131.

One pair of IB peacocks, 7months old, \$150. Vince Jordan, Winnfield, Winn Parish; (318) 628-7636.

WANTED: Brown Leghorns, Americana or Aurconas, both roosters, hens, or chicks. Randy Baker, DeRidder, Beauregard Parish; (337) 390-9108.

RABBITS

Netherland Dwarfs: whites, grays, blacks, black spotted whites, browns, \$20. Chester Guidry, Morse, Acadia Parish; (337) 783-3154.

New Zealand bunnies and breeding stock, some ready to breed now, black and white, red and white, \$15 each, new 1 hole hatch, \$400. Daniel Gaspard, Rayne, Acadia Parish; (337) 789-5478.

SHEEP & GOATS

9-month-old white Boer/ Saanen buckling goat, ask for pictures, \$200. Dwain, Pineville, Rapides Parish; (318) 729-4230.

Brush goats and Nigerian Dwarf goats, males and females, 6 months - 5 years, text for photos and prices, \$50 - \$250 each. Edsel Poole, Covington, St. Tammany Parish; (985) 630-8144.

Katahdin, 2 rams, 2 females, born 2/15/2024, \$150 each, 2 sets of twins, 1 female, 1 1/2 years, \$150. Jeremy

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LeDoux, Kaplan, Vermilion Parish; (337) 230-1519.

Nigerian dwarf goats, 3-months-old and up, males and females, all colors, \$100 to \$140. Sandra Bradshaw, Washington, St. Landry Parish; (337) 692-0316.

100% NZ Kiko buckling, born 1/22/24, very friendly, Sire -AKGA #20P054RMT36, Dam - AKGA# 20P108RMT52, call for pictures and details, \$550 registered, \$500 unregistered. Tim Thousand, Opelousas, St. Landry Parish; (337) 280-1205.

ADGA-registered Nigerian Dwarf bucklings, ages up to 10 months, \$150 each. VHC Farm, V. Juneau, Abita Springs, St. Tammany Parish; (985) 334-1653.

Nigerian dwarf goats, one 2-year-old Buck and two bucklings, all intact, \$175 each. William, Abita Springs, St. Tammany Parish; (504) 430-8690.

AQUACULTURE

Plate 4'x8'x1/4, \$252.55, Plate 4'x8'x3/16, \$198.11, Plate 4'x8'x1/8, \$151, Angle Iron 3"x3"x3/16x20', \$97. Dan Roque, Jr., Cloutierville, Natchitoches Parish; (318) 201-1715.

Steel Pipe, 12-inch,14-inch,16inch, 20-inch, 24-inch, 30inch, 36-inch, 48-inch, call for pricing. Dan Roque, Jr., Cloutierville, Natchitoches Parish; (318) 201-1715.

Pond stocking, blue catfish, \$.45/1; channel catfish, \$.40/1, Copper nose bluegill, \$.35/1; Louisiana bluegill, \$.35/1; hybrid bluegill, \$.40/1; red-ear bream, \$.40/1; black crappie, \$.45/1; bass, \$1/1; fathead minnows, \$14/lb. David Lowe, Minden, Webster Parish; (318) 377-1525.

EQUIPMENT

CONTRACTOR EQUIPMENT

CASE 850C, track loader, 4-way bucket, 904 original hrs, ready to work, text for photos, \$15,000. Anthony Taulli, Marrero, Jefferson Parish; (504) 756-6830.

2019 305 CAT excavator, excellent condition, 3 buckets, 36-inch, 24-inch and 11-inch, \$62,000. Bert Lavergne, Scott, Lafayette Parish; (337) 230-4167.

2 3/8 and 2 7/8 tubing, \$40 per joint. Bobby Denton, Jena, LaSalle Parish; (318) 992-4504.

2003-2004 320L Caterpillar Log Loader/Excavator Track type rebuilt motor in 2020 new final drive photos available, \$15,000 OBO. Jeremy Carmouche, Pollock, Grant Parish; (318) 765-6549.

Kubota track hoe, KX121-3-SS, looking to downgrade to smaller machine, 3,000+ hours, comes with three quick-attach buckets, 1ft, 2ft, 6 1/2ft, fourway blade, leave message if no answer, \$26,500, open to trades. Patrick, Jennings, Evangeline Parish; (337) 246-3112.



EQUIPMENT SERVICES FOR HIRE

Land prepared, cleared, contoured, fields mowed, mulched, cultivated, and drained, trees removed, arenas/ gravel roads reconditioned 8" deep, install and repair ponds, streams, roads, walls, fences, call for a quote. John Cleary, Hammond, Tangipahoa Parish; (985) 634-0074.

Mobile welding, track hoe, handyman, call for quote. Patrick, Jennings, Evangeline Parish; (337) 246-3112.

HAY EQUIPMENT

Worksaver 3pt hitch hydraulic round bale forks, lifts round bales 6-7 ft above ground level, \$1,200. Carroll Trahan, Lafayette, Lafayette Parish; (337) 277-3932.

Fold out Vermeer R23 rake, call for pricing. Don Scaife, Many, Sabine Parish; (318) 315-4940.

Vermeer 5410 4X5 baler, in good shape, call for pricing. Don Scaife, Many, Sabine Parish; (318) 315-4940.

Case IH 8840 swather/ windrower, 16ft cutter, completely re-done and works perfectly, 110hp diesel, selfpropelled, \$13,500. James Bourgeois, Raceland, Lafourche Parish; (985) 537-3750.

Vermeer 605 H round hay baler, 5X6, kept in shed, \$5,000 OBO. Mike, Independence, Tangipahoa Parish; (985) 878-9765.

Vicon SP451Square Baler, kept in shelter when not in use, baled approximately 1,000 bales since it was new, \$3,600. Mike Fournet, Lake Charles, Calcasieu Parish; (337) 515-1424.

150 Bushel grain cart, \$2,500. Tony Carrere, Arnaudville, St. Landry Parish; (985) 637-5984.

670 John Deere side hay rake, \$1,000. Tony Carrere, Arnaudville, St. Landry Parish; (985) 637-5984.

Two hay spear bolt on frontend bucket, \$200. Tony Carrere, Arnaudville, St. Landry Parish; (985) 637-5984.

LAWN EQUIPMENT

2019 John Deere X390 tractor style riding lawn mower with 116 hours, 54-inch deck with hydraulic deck lift, power steering, \$3,500 OBO. Mark Perrodin, Ville Platte, Evangeline Parish; (337) 831-2876.

Stihl FS-56 Straight Shaft Gas Weed Eater, excellent condition, \$120. Robert Roy, Hessmer, Avoyelles Parish; (318) 563-9111.

PICKERS & HARVESTERS

W&A 8-row hippers with Ortham row markers, \$2,000, Taylorway 8-row cultivator, 5-plow gangs with shields, \$800, Ditch Witch with 4-way blade, land boring unit, drill pipe and bits, trailer, excellent condition, \$12,500. Bobby Denton, Jena, LaSalle Parish; (318) 992-4504.

7720 Spike tooth 4X4 combine with 20, Ridget head, 920 flex head, and header trailer, \$7,000. Burke Aucoin, Bunkie, St. Landry Parish; (337) 945-4817. **Brent grain cart M/N 572, 24.5-**32 tires, field ready, \$9,000. Burke Aucoin, Bunkie, St. Landry Parish; (337) 945-4817.

Peerless all crop dryer, pecans and peanuts, propane burner, 12HP electric motor, thermostat controlled, 220/440 single phase current, 8ft wide 5ft high, 14ft long, \$3,500. Lynwood Wilev. Ferriday, Concordia

Parish; (318) 719-2245.

PLANTING & TILLAGE

Metal seeder, 700lb capacity, PTO connecting, \$250. Buck Webb, Choudrant, Lincoln Parish; (318) 768-2881.

JD 1730 planter, 15 rows on 18inch row markers, planters in excellent shape, comes with trailer, milo, and bean plates for planter, \$16,500. Craig Soileau, Ville Platte, Evangeline Parish; (337) 831-4234.

Harrow plow, AMCO LTF 100B-2022, width 7' 3", excellent condition, 20-disc quarter inch at 22" size, 2,450lbs, 3pt hitch, recommended minimum 60hp, stump jump springs, \$8,000. Edwin Broussard, Forest Hill, Rapides Parish: (512) 673-3362.

Bigham 12 Row 30" Buster Roller, Hydraulic Fold, \$8,500. Kyle Lemoine, Avoyelles Parish; (318) 359-3101.

John Deere 1700 15 Unit Narrow Row Planter, can also plant 8 row wide, \$12,000. Kyle Lemoine, Moreauville, Avoyelles Parish; (318) 359-3101.

Wil Rich 8 Row Pull Type Do-All/Row Conditioner with front plows, \$8,500. Kyle Lemoine, Avoyelles Parish; (318) 359-3101.

12ft Finishing plow, leave message, \$2,200 OBO. Patrick, Jennings, Evangeline Parish; (337) 246-3112.

TRAILERS & WAGONS

Stock trailer, 24ft, butterfly tailgate, 2 divider gates, escape gate, treated floor, like new, call for price. Don Scaife, Many, Sabine Parish; (318) 315-4940.

7x18 straight deck tandem axle utility trailer, \$2,000. Glenn Thomas, Saint Francisville, West Feliciana Parish; (225) 252-2698.

32ft Gooseneck 8-wheel, good deck, good tires, good condition, \$7,000. Jerry Robinson, Oak Ridge, Richland Parish; (318) 334-1090.

2019 Platinum Alum. 28'x8' Livestock trailer in excellent condition, all gates have full swing and slides, front cut gate floats from 4'-9' and the other is fixed, walk through door on driver side, diamond

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plate floor with traction bars on the back 4', call or text for more information, \$31,000. Nick Hensgens, Church Point, Acadia Parish; (337) 581-8188.

1991 CM 16' Combo trailer, \$3,500. Rene Brown, Baton Rouge, East Baton Rouge Parish; (225) 383-5401.

6'X16' Gooseneck cattle trailer, 7,000lb axles, need lights, \$2,500. Ricky Juneau, Hessmer, Avoyelles Parish; (318) 201-0697.

WANTED: Feed/grain trailer,1 ton. J Venable, Lafayette, Lafayette Parish; (337) 277-7375.

OTHER AG EQUIPMENT

2 3/8" pipe, 30ft to 31ft long, \$45 per joint. Adrian Landry, Pierre Part, Assumption Parish; (985) 226-1480.

PTO Generator, IMD 22 KW w/ automatic voltage regulator 120/24 V, less than 20hrs, brand new, \$3,500. Brian Gayle, Vidalia, Concordia Parish; (985) 960-3328.

1,000-gallon fuel tanks used for diesel, \$1000. Chester Lee Guidry, Morse, Acadia Parish; (337) 378-3154.

250-gallon spray tank with boomless nozzel, \$300. Donald

Meaux, Gueydan, Vermilion Parish; (337) 458-1730.

Buffalo 14ft wide, 18-wheeler hub on roller, \$2,000. Donald Meaux, Gueydan, Vermilion Parish; (337) 458-1730.

Land leveler 30ft long, 17ft wide, \$2,500. Donald Meaux, Gueydan, Vermilion Parish; (337) 458-1730.

All size pipe, metal \$.50 per pound, Jam pot/bell, wagon wheel, small and big sausage stopper, sugar kettle, call for more information. Gary Hebert, Gonzales, Ascension Parish: (225) 713-4942.

20-ft container, leak none, \$2,400. H Leblanc, Larose, Acadia Parish; (337) 717-9151.

40-ft high cube container, leak none, \$3,950. H. Leblanc, Larose, Acadia Parish; (337) 717-9151.

Heavy duty pressure washer, \$1,800. James Degeyter, Arnaudville, St. Landry Parish; (337) 754-7682.

Cattle head gate, \$600. Janice Prejean, Scott, Lafayette Parish; (337) 962-1953.

New 4-hole rabbit cage, 10-ft long, 2-ft tall, 30 inches deep, also have used water bottle, used feeder, used nest box, \$180. Jeremy Fontenot, New Iberia, Iberia Parish; (337) 376-6156. **15" heavy PVC fittings, new,** never used, 15" PVC coupling, \$80, 15" PVC 45-degree angle fitting, \$174. Larry Duhon, Rayne, Vermilion Parish; (337) 652-6200.

6' Bush Hog, \$1,000. Mike Schexnaydre, Prairieville, Ascension Parish; (225) 715-8123.

4 Michelin tires, LT275/70R18, \$200 for all. Ronnie Fairchild, Gonzales, Ascension Parish; (225) 647-4299.

200 AMP double throw switch, \$200. Simpson Neal, Loranger, Tangipahoa Parish; (985) 500-5515.

200 Gallon sprayer with hoses, pump and broadcast nozzle, in fair condition, \$200. Simpson Neal, Loranger, Tangipahoa Parish; (985) 500-5515.

Category II top link for New Holland tractor, \$150. Simpson Neal, Loranger, Tangipahoa Parish; (985) 500-5515.

Four rear wheel weights for John Deere 4020 tractor, \$100 each. Simpson Neal, Loranger, Tangipahoa Parish; (985) 500-5515.

6" Howse Disc, 3 pt. hitch, shed kept, with removable weights, ideal for food plots and truck patch, \$1,100. Wade Rayon, Church Point, Acadia Parish; (337) 684-5373." WANTED: Used Bushhog 296 gearbox. Darrin Manuel, Longville, Beauregard Parish; (337) 532-8814.

WANTED: 3 P.H. dirt scoop, reversible, pull or push to load. Robert LeMaster, Summit, Mississippi, Acadia Parish; (601) 248-8843.

FARM & LIVESTOCK SUPPLIES

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Handmade Champion roping saddle, 16", excellent condition, \$3,500 firm. Brant Duplechin, Arnaudville, St. Landry Parish; (337) 308-1239.

Heiser Keston Mule Saddle, 16", \$700. Richard Vairin, Kenner, Jefferson Parish; (504) 467-8986.

FARM BUILDINGS FOR SALVAGE

27' wide x 35' long cold-frame greenhouse, \$500 + you take down , \$500. Rick Webb, Amite, Tangipahoa Parish; (985) 748-1122.

WANTED: Used Utility shed, sized 8X8 to 12X12, to keep my tools in. Raymond, Tangipahoa Parish; (985) 517-5549.

OTHER AG IMPLEMENTS

2-axle trailer mounted hydraulic seed mixer and loader, used to mix chemicals and auto load seed hoppers on planters, \$2,000. Bobby Denton, Jena, LaSalle Parish; (318) 992-4504.

Oat Tank, heavy duty steel, holds about 2,400 lbs, great condition, on skids, \$2,000. Brant Duplechin, Arnaudville, St. Landry Parish; (337) 308-1239.

400 used crawfish cages, \$3 each. Donald Meaux, Gueydan, Vermilion Parish; (337) 458-1730.

Big chicken cage, call for pricing. Gary Hebert, Gonzales, Ascension Parish; (225) 715-4942.

Birdcage, \$100. Gary Hebert, Gonzales, Ascension Parish; (225) 715-4942.

Hose machine assembly with hose fittings 1/4, 3/8, 1/2, 3/4, \$14,000 for all. James Degeyter, Arnaudville, St. Landry Parish; (337) 754-7682.

Cattleguard, 12'W X 8'L, constructed of 3" pipe, heavy duty, sturdy, \$1,250. Kevin

Simpson, Prairieville, Ascension Parish; (225) 363-3196.

10 ft joints of used well pipe, 8", \$80 per joint, 10", \$100 per joint, can load. Linster Guillot, Mansura, Avoyelles Parish; (318) 305-1705.

New, never used #1 gauge awg thhn copper wire, 2-24ft pieces,1-19 ft, 1-40 ft, \$1 per ft. Linster Guillot, Mansura, Avoyelles Parish; (318) 305-1705.

Bird cages, wire factory cages, from McCaw to Parakeet cages, free up to \$150. Louis Pennison, Morgan City, Assumption Parish; (985) 631-2368.

Four dove cages, two custom made and two wire, one with stand, one on wheels, comes with pair of white doves, prices from \$150- \$3,500. Mike Hanley, Baton Rouge, East Baton Rouge Parish; (337) 356-6693.

One brooder box with thermostat, holds about 75 Quail, \$125. Mike Hanley, Rayne, Acadia Parish; (337) 356-6693.

One hexagon bird cage, 4ftX6ft with bottom, looks good, \$600. Mike Hanley, Rayne, Acadia Parish; (337) 356-6693.

One Quail cage (grow-out),

3'X5' on wheels, everything proof, made of hardwood and is screwed together, call for pricing. Mike Hanley, Baton Rouge, East Baton Rouge Parish; (337) 356-6693.

Visqueen laying machine,

factory built, \$2,000. Mike Schexnaydre, Prairieville, Ascension Parish; (225) 715-8123.

Michelin 320/90/50 Radial RIW, 40% left, \$200, Goodyear 26.8 X 38 R2 tire and tube Bias Ply, 75% left, \$600. Raymond Hebert, New Iberia, Iberia Parish: (337) 523-7888

Two Ditch culverts, 18inX10ft,

corrugated black plastic, brand new, never used, fits in back of pickup, \$400 for both. Roland Fontenot, Pine Prairie, Evangeline Parish; (337) 599-2021.

Wood heater Papa Bear, \$2,500. Samuel Roland, Pineville, Rapides Parish; (318) 445-3244.

WANTED: Duck plucker. J. C. Trahan, Maurice, Vermilion Parish; (337) 296-6645

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Chicken litter or ag lime spreader, we spread it all over LA, call for pricing. Mitch Johnson, Pitkin, Vernon Parish; (337) 423-3507.

Ag Lime, \$32 per ton. Brent Duncan, Franklinton, Washington Parish; (985) 515-6655.

Garden Compost, \$20 per scoop. Delos Thompson, Folsom, Tangipahoa Parish; (985) 373-4067.

Free horse manure, excellent fertilizer for gardens, will load in your pickup or trailer with tractor. Lloyd Caballero, Maurice, Vermilion Parish; (337) 781-2580.

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GrangeGroceries is an app connecting local communities with local producers, if you grow any food and would like to sell directly to consumers, join our app today. Alyssa, Orleans Parish; (337) 523-5063.

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Longhorn okra, sliced and ready to cook, 3.5 lbs Ziploc gallon bag, \$10. Chester Lee Guidry, Morse, Acadia Parish; (337) 783-3154.

Louisiana Mirlitons for sale from heirloom plants, original vines from pre-Katrina Metairie, \$5 per pound. Marguerite Constantine, Moreauville, Avoyelles Parish; (318) 240-0954.

HAY & GRAIN

Hay, 4x5 round bales, net wrapped, very tight, Bermuda 007, \$40. Norman Young, Mamou, Evangeline Parish; (337) 303-3385.

Good quality 5X5 1/2 net wrapped cow and horse hay, under barn, call only, \$40 per bale. Bernard Leger, Opelousas, St. Landry Parish; (337) 948-9366.

2024 hay, good quality prairie carpet grass, 4X5 net wrapped rolls, \$35 per roll. Blaine Leger, lota, Acadia Parish; (337) 781-9929.

4X5 Bahia rolls, string-tied, \$20 per roll. Carlos Guillot, Marksville, Avoyelles Parish; (318) 359-6764.

4X5 good, fertilized, clean hay, no weeds, treated grass string, \$50 per roll. Charles Bell, Franklinton, Washington Parish; (985) 839-9222.

Bahia hay 5X4 round bales, cow hay, \$25 per roll. Clifton McZeal, Lafayette, Lafayette Parish; (337) 278-9770.

Russell Bermuda square bales, in bundles of 21, \$9/bale, \$189/bundle. Craig Soileau, Ville Platte, Evangeline Parish; (337) 831-4234.

Horse quality Bahia square bales, fertilized, no weeds, \$8 per bale. Daniel Thompson, Folsom, Tangipahoa Parish; (985) 272-3875.

Bahia hay, fertilized, no rain in barn, \$7 square bales, \$40-60 per roll. Danny Schleismann, Husser, Tangipahoa Parish; (985) 517-8341.

2024 Horse hay, Pensacola Bahia grass, fourth cutting, fertilized, sprayed, fine stem hay, tight square bales, \$7 in barn. David Joiner, Loranger, Tangipahoa Parish; (985) 320-3073.

5X5 Round bales, Bahia grass, fertilized, barn kept, \$60 per bale. Delos Thompson, Folsom, Tangipahoa Parish; (985) 373-4067.

Horse quality Bermuda square bales, large, fertilized bales, \$9. Dwight Brignac, Washington, St. Landry Parish; (337) 831-3758.

5X5 rolls ryegrass hay string wrapped, \$25/roll, 5X5 rolls well fertilized coastal Bermuda grass hay string wrapped, \$45 and \$55 per roll, minimum 3 roll purchase. Eddie, Choudrant, Lincoln Parish; (601) 529-8536.

4X5 Bahia, net wrapped, no rain, horse quality, kept in barn, delivery available, \$55 per bale in barn, \$45 outside, ten or more \$35. Homer Dutsch, Bush, St. Tammany Parish; (985) 807-4046.

+/- 20 acres grass for hay, you bale and haul. James, Richard, Acadia Parish; (337) 384-1683.

4X5 Round bales, net wrapped, \$25- \$40 per bale, taking orders for small square bales of Bahia, \$7-\$10 per bale in field, loaded. James Bourgeois, Raceland, Lafourche Parish; (985) 537-3750.

Bahia grass hay, 4X5 bales, no rain, barn kept, good clean cow hay, \$40 per bale. Jeff L., Welsh, Jefferson Davis Parish; (337) 368-8773.

4x5 Round bales, net wrapped, \$40 per bale. Jerry Robinson, Oak Ridge, Richland Parish; (318) 334-1090.

2024 Bahia Hay, fertilized, net wrapped, 4X5 round, \$20-\$50, and square bales, \$8 per roll. Joseph Patanella, Independence, Tangipahoa Parish; (985) 687-6621.

MIX 30 Liquid Cow Feed, \$1.95 per gallon delivered. Kevin Tyler, Pine Grove, Livingston Parish; (225) 337-3312.

Alicia Bermuda hay, square bales, top quality, long solid bales, highly fertilized, weed free, \$10 per bale, 350 round bales, 4x5 tight, barn kept, solid bales, weed free, over 12% protein, \$70 per bale. Larry Granier, Clinton, East Feliciana Parish; (225) 301-7133.

Common / NK 37 hybrid Bermuda sprayed and fertilized, also have some 4x5 round, \$9.00 and \$10. Lee Romero, Kaplan, Vermilion Parish; (337) 298-8658.

4x6 Bahia round bales in barn, \$60 a bale, small Bahia square bales, \$8 a bale. Mark Hymel, Geismar, Ascension Parish; (225) 715-1132.

Bahia square bales baled Saturday October 19, 2024, \$6 per bale. Marvin, Holden, Livingston Parish; (225) 567-1428.

Bahia 4X5 round bale, kept in barn, \$45 per bale. Michael Gueringer, Kinder, Jefferson Davis Parish; (337) 526-5835.

Round Bales 4X5, Bahia, \$45 each. Mike Beard, Sunshine, Iberville Parish; (225) 276-8374.

Jiggs Bermuda bales, and other kinds, 5X4, round rolls, net wrapped, well fertilized, barn kept, call for pricing. Mitch Johnson, Pitkin, Vernon Parish; (337) 423-3507.

125 4x5 net wrapped Bahai \$35 a roll, good tight rolls cured without rain, cheaper if all taken. Morris Hebert, Oakdale, Allen Parish; (337) 570-6361.

Bahia grass hay, 4X5 bales, clean, second-cutting, no rain, net wrapped, barn kept, bales tight and heavy, \$50 per roll. Roland Fontenot, Pine Prairie, Evangeline Parish; (337) 599-2021.

Round Hay bales, 4x4, baled September 2024, \$30 each. Ronald Comeaux, Lafayette, Lafayette Parish; (337) 277-1324.

Fertilized with chicken litter, 4x5 Bermuda hay net wrapped, \$45. Sean Coody, Jonesboro, Jackson Parish; (318) 355-6968.

2024 crop, Argentine Bahia, barn kept, fertilized, 4X4 1/2 rolls \$50 per roll, 10 or more \$40. Wayne Prats, Plainview, Washington Parish; (504) 908-3908.

2024 Bahia tightly baled 5X5 round bales, cut and baled in October 2024, \$30 each, mixed grass hay also available \$25 each. Wendell Middlebrooks, Eunice, Acadia Parish; (337) 658-3106.



CRAFTS & WOODWORK

Cypress wood duck nest boxes, \$55 each. Greg Vidrine, Eunice, St. Landry Parish; (337) 230-7925.

Predator guards, \$30 each. Greg Vidrine, Eunice, St. Landry Parish; (337) 230-7295.

Cypress wood duck nest boxes, all made of new cypress wood, \$40 each. James LaBorde, Mansura, Avoyelles Parish; (318) 240-4772.

SEWING & FABRICS

Baby Lock Spirit Embroidery Machine Model BLPY, like new, used very little. \$2,500 firm. Sharon Hargis, Vick, Avoyelles Parish: (318) 305-0023.



GUNS & ACCESSORIES

Beretta A-300 Outlander wood stock, black metal. 2 3/4"-3", choke tube, 28" barrel VG+ \$600, Ruger 10/22 Black stainless steel new in box, \$310. Carl V. Berthelot, Port Vincent, Livingston Parish; (225) 698-3163.

Mossberg Model 510 Youth Mini Pump 20 ga. black/black 2 3/4" choke tubes 18.5" barrel, adjustable stock, new in box, \$325, used Mossberg 510C Youth 20 g. pump 2 3/4"-3" choke tubes, 21" barrel VG, \$275. Carl V. Berthelot, Port Vincent, Livingston Parish; (225) 698-3163.

Ruger Americans NIB 7mm-08, 270 Win, \$415 each, Ruger American 22LR NIB 2 10round and 1 25 round mag, \$325. Carl V. Berthelot, Port Vincent, Livingston Parish; (225) 698-3163.

Savage Lakefield Mark II bolt action 22 LR, wood/blue, 5 shot magazine, VG \$155, \$150. Carl V. Berthelot, Port Vincent, Livingston Parish; (225) 698-3163.

Used Franchi Affinity Youth

20-gauge choke tube 2 3/4"-3" 26" bbl, full marsh camo, Vg-EX \$600. Remington 870 Super Mag 2 3/4"-3" 12-gauge Lam. stock VG \$325. Carl V. Berthelot, Port Vincent, Livingston Parish: (225) 698-3163.

Rem. Fieldmaster Pumps 12 ga 26"- or 28"-barrel, NIB, \$425. Carl V. Berthelot, Port Vincent, Livingston Parish: (225) 698-3163.

Barnett Crossbow with scope

and accessories, quiver, arrows, cocking rope, everything you need, \$200. Irven Theriot, Geismar, Ascension Parish; (225) 247-8422.

JC Higgins model 101-16, S.L.L.R, like new, \$260. J.H. Boss, Church Point, Lafayette Parish; (337) 896-5783.

357 Ruger revolver, never shot, new condition, \$600. Stanley Stewart, Franklinton, Washington Parish; (985) 241-2269.

MISC. HUNT/ FISH/CAMP

2011 Cedar Creek 34 RSLA, triple slides, two a/c, washer and dryer combo, excellent condition, call for pricing. Brenda and Buddy Wise, Lecompte, Rapides Parish; (318) 452-3699.

WANTED: Woodland camo

BDU or fatigue military shirts, 2XXL size, and western snap closure shirts. Bob LeMaster, Summit MS, Acadia Parish; (601) 248-8843.

LUMBER AND SAWING

WANTED: Lumber and portable sawmill operation, inventory and portable mill such as

and portable mill such as Woodmizer preferred, southern and eastern half of the boot please, tow vehicle not needed, will lease or purchase building. Chris Barnette, Baton Rouge, East Baton Rouge Parish; (228) 493-5608.

WANTED: Harvester, land located in Hammond, Fagan Tree Farm. Joan Landeche, LaPlace, St. John The Baptist Parish; (504) 458-9004.



MARKET BULLETIN

looks good, call for pricing. Dallas Richard, Morse, Acadia Parish; (337) 517-3750.

2008 John Deere 5103 tractor, one owner, 1,300 hours, good tires, mechanically sound, everything works, rust on top of fenders, other implements available, \$10,500. David Stroughter, Clinton, East Feliciana Parish; (225) 719-2527.

9130 230 HP Case, 6,400 hours, \$12,000. Donald Meaux, Gueydan, Vermilion Parish; (337) 458-1730.

1998-2000 Massey Ferguson Model 271 tractor 4.2L Perkins diesel, can send photos, call for price or make an offer. Jeremy Carmouche, Pollock, Grant Parish; (318) 765-6549.

99 Massey Ferguson 4253 4WD with cab and loader, with bucket and bale spear, AC blows cold, tractor has been well cared for, \$25,000. Lamar Holmes, DeSoto Parish; (318) 286-7406.

Kubota M9000, 4wd, front loader, low hours, open cab, leave message if no answer, open to trade for small track hoe or skidsteer, \$26,500. Patrick, Jennings, Evangeline Parish; (337) 246-3112.

John Deere 70, fully restored and painted, \$8,000. Rene Brown, Baton Rouge, East Baton Rouge Parish; (225) 383-5401.

John Deere A, fully restored and painted with 2 row cultivator, \$7,000. Rene Brown, Baton Rouge, East Baton Rouge Parish; (225) 383-5401.

John Deere 5200, 50hp, with loader and forks, 6' Land pride cutter and 6' box blade, has about 5,500 hours and runs great, regularly maintained with open cab and metal canopy, \$14,500 OBO also open in trade plus cash on larger 70-80hp cab tractor. William Courville, Scott, Lafayette Parish; (337) 212-9869.

VEHICLES

ATVS

2022 Polaris sportsman four wheeler 450 4WD good condition, used on farm, has winch, can send pictures, \$4,000. Lamar Holmes, Keatchie, DeSoto Parish; (318) 286-7406.

BOATS

One outboard boat motor, 7.5hp. Evinrude, one outboard boat motor, 10hp, Johnson, both run good, \$250 each. Allen Daigle, Eunice, Acadia Parish; (337) 457-5053.

Crawfish boat, 6ft wide, 16ft long, Kohler 25hp motor, \$3,500. Donald Meaux,

REPORT OR Solve A Crime

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Contact the Crimestopper Hotline at 1-800-558-9741

Forestry-related crimes

Contact the Forestry Enforcement Program at 225-925-4500

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FOR LEASE

For Lease for Oil and Gas Exploration, 1,243+ acres, call for pricing. Joan Landeche(pirate Lake Oil), LaFitte, La, Jefferson Parish; (504) 458-9004.

FOR SALE

Brand new 2021 Cappaert Edge 2001 3BR/2BA mobile home (16x80) refrigerator, electric stove and dishwasher incl. must move, located in Palmetto, \$47,000. LJ Grezaffi, Palmetto, St. Landry Parish; (225) 638-9015.

1 Acre on Bayou Vermillion at the end of a Private Sub-Division with Older Log cabin 2- story home for sale, great investment, \$445,000. Richard Todd LaBorde, Lafayette, Lafayette Parish; (337) 308-2282.

SERVICES

EQUINE SERVICES

Horse trainer, breaking and training, pro cutter on site, ranch training, speed event training, riding lessons, call for quote. Rachel Bertrand, Crowley, Acadia Parish; (337) 384-6997.

AGMHorsemanship horse

training (lessons included), colt starting, tuneups, basic manners, call for quote. Abigail Grace, Dry creek, Allen Parish; (318) 229-1918.

5B Breaking & Training, AQHA Professional Horseman's Team member, specializing in 2-yr-old and problem horses, developing good broke ranch cow horses, 39 yrs. exp. with references, covered and outside arena, call for quote. John Brown, Franklinton, Washington Parish; (225) 931-9210.

FARM SERVICES

Fence building barb, net, boards, pipe & hotwire, references provided, \$1/ft. and up, fence cleaning, repairs, catch pens, arenas, custom entry ways, free estimates, call for a quote. Ben Baggett, Mittie, Allen Parish; (337) 370-8254.

Baling services, complete round or square bales, pasture mowing, call for quote. James Bourgeois, Raceland, Lafourche Parish; (985) 537-3750.

Fields/pastures mowed,

mulched, cultivated, contoured, aerated, and drained, trees removed, recondition arenas, gravel roads 8' deep, install



and repair ponds, culverts, roads, walls, and fences, call for quote. John Cleary, Hammond, Tangipahoa Parish; (985) 634-0074.

Bush Hogging and pasture shredding, call for quote. Nick Hensgens, Church Point, Acadia Parish; (337) 581-8188.

Cattle penning, working and hauling, portable equipment, large or small herd, problem cattle, 50 years experience, will travel, call for quote. Terry or Jason, Eunice, Acadia Parish; (337) 789-1927.

WANTED: Someone to clear partial existing fence and reconstruct new barbed-wire fence. Una Palmer, Stonewall, DeSoto Parish; (318) 560-1963.

NUISANCE ANIMAL REMOVAL

WANTED: Walk-in Racoon traps. Raymond Bates, Amite, Tangipahoa Parish; (985) 517-5549.

STALLION SERVICE

4 Foundation Bred stallions, Negative Coggins required and vet checked ultrasound, \$800/\$10 mare care. Frederick Rodosta, Opelousas, St. Landry Parish; (337) 331-3151.

AGHA WYO-Blue Buddy, born July 03, 2012, team roping head horse or to pin your cattle with, kids can ride, blue roan stallion, Reg.#5505700, health cert. and neg. Coggins required, \$500/\$10 mare care. Mitch Johnson, Pitkin, Vernon Parish; (337) 423-3507.

AGHA horse,"Peppinita" Figure Four, #5403078 BD, foundation bred stud, 4/20/11, bay roan, health cert. & neg. Coggins required, \$500/\$10 mare care. Mitch Johnson, Pitkin, Vernon Parish; (337) 423-3507.

TRACTORS

White tractor 2155 with cab and air, 160HP with new allied loader, hay spear, 1,800 hours, \$12,500. Bobby Denton, Jena, LaSalle Parish; (318) 992-4504.

2 tires and tupes on wheels with new tubes, ready for Super A Farmall tractor, \$150 OBO. Allen Daigle, Eunice, Acadia Parish; (337) 457-5053.

Belly motor for cub Farmall tractor, \$100, Belly mower for Super A Farmall tractor, \$125. Allen Daigle, Eunice, Acadia Parish; (337) 457-5053.

Front steel bumper for Farmall Int. Super A tractor, never used, \$150. Allen Daigle, Eunice, Acadia Parish; (337) 457-5053.

Super A Farmall Int. and red cub Farmall Int. tractors, belly mower loose, \$900 each. Allen Daigle, Eunice, Acadia Parish; (337) 457-5053.

1962 601 Workmaster Ford tractor, \$800. C. P. Ourso, St. Amant, Ascension Parish; (225) 252-9597.

1958 John Deere 420 with side blade, runs and drives great,

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CEVICHE WITH CHOW CHOW

Submitted by Cajun Legacy

Ingredients:

- 1 lb. of tilapia fillets or red fish
- (red fish is recommended, tilapia is more economic).
- 1 c. of fresh lime juice
- 1 red onion, juilenne cut
- 1 1/2 Tbsp. kosher salt
- 2 Tbsp. chow chow
- 1/2 c. clam juice
- 4 Tbsp. of fresh cilantro, roughly chopped

Instructions:

Cut the fish in small cubes. Transfer to a bowl and add the lime juice. Make sure the juice covers the fish completely add more than one cup if needed. Add salt. Mix until salt is dissolved. Let rest in the refrigerator for 30 minutes. Add the red onions and mix. Let rest for 5 minutes. Taste the juice and check salt level. Add more if necessary. Add the chow chow, cilantro and clam juice. Mix. Serve in small bowls with crackers and a cold beer.

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HEN & SAUSAGE GUMBO

Submitted by Kary's Roux and Bar-B-Q Sauce

Ingredients:

1-6 lb. hen
1 lb. smoked sausage, chopped
1/2 c. chopped onion tops
1 med. onion, chopped
1/4 c. chopped parsley
4-1/2 qts. water
1 1/4 Tbsp. Kary's Roux Seasoning Blend
8 oz. Kary's Roux

Instructions:

Add water to large pot and bring to a boil. Once boiling add roux, stirring continuously until roux is completely dissolved (approximately 10 minutes). Add the rest of the ingredients. Boil uncovered over medium heat for approximately 2 hours. When your gumbo has finished cooking, debone and cube chicken and return meat to the gumbo. Serve over a scoop of rice. Serves 6.







CHICKEN & SAUSAGE JAMBALAYA

Submitted by SoLa

Ingredients:

2 Tbsp. extra-virgin olive oil

- 1 lb. boneless, skinless chicken thighs or breasts, cut into pieces
- 2 14 oz. package smoked link sausage, cut into 1/4 inch slices
- 1 large onion, chopped
- 2 celery ribs, diced
- 1 bell pepper, diced
- 2 Tbsp. SoLa Cajun Seasoning
- 1¹/₂c. long grain rice
- 114 oz. can diced tomatoes with juice
- 2 c. chicken broth or stock
- 1/2c. green onions, chopped

Instructions:

Using a large, heavy pot on the stove, brown chicken in olive oil at medium-high heat until lightly browned. Remove chicken from pot and pat dry. Cook sausage in same pot until lightly browned and remove. Add onion, celery, and bell pepper and cook, stirring for about 5 minutes until onions are tender. Add chicken, sausage, rice, tomatoes with juice, broth and SoLa Cajun Seasoning. Bring to a boil and lower heat to mediumlow. Cook covered for 25-30 or until rice is tender. Serve with chopped green onions, if desired.

CERTIFIED Spotlight





4F Cattle Farms, located in Mangham, Louisiana, has offered quality grass-fed , hormone and antibiotic free beef since 2014. Their mission is to provide the best beef you have ever tasted. You can shop online for pickup or delivery if you live within 30 miles of the farm.

www.4fcattlefarms.com



Southern Greenz is located in Washington, Louisiana and now sells Manglier readymade tea that comes in three different sizes. For the tea lovers who enjoy brewing your own tea, they also offer packaged Manglier loose leaves in 20z pouches.

To place your order,

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Howell Family Farms sells what they sow! Their fresh vegetables are grown in West Carroll soil and nourished the natural way. November's crop could include tomatoes, bell peppers, cucumbers, egg plants, cabbage, root crops, and possible greens. Call (318) 926-0839 to learn more. They are located 5 miles south of Goodwill at 2880 Hwy 585 Pioneer, Louisiana.

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Gueydan, Vermilion Parish; (337) 458-1730.

2018 Seadoo GTI Limited with only 19 hours, one owner and bought in 2018 from Lafayette Powersports, clean title on jet ski and trailer, \$10,000. Ike Richard, Duson, Lafayette Parish; (337) 945-7719.

Storage Available for boats, campers, Rv's, trucks, trailers, and equipment, covered and uncovered options, \$175. Shayne Knapp, Vidalia, Concordia Parish; (601) 807-6705

FARM TRUCKS

2005 F-350 flat bed with fuel tank and toolboxes, excellent condition, 121,000 miles , \$21,000. Bert Lavergne, Scott, Lafayette Parish; (337) 230-4167.

2010 F750 9yd dump truck, excellent condition, 6.7 Cummins Diesel, 123,000 miles, \$41,500. Bert Lavergne, Scott, Lafayette Parish; (337) 230-4167.

1984 1 ton Chevy diesel truck with lift bed, used to dump hay bales, \$700. Buck

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New Structural Pest Control Monthly Reporting Website Streamlines Reporting Process

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1999 2500 Chevrolet Suburban 259.000 miles runs good.

2000 F-250 4-door truck, misc.

Parish; (318) 768-2881.

new battery, good tires,

Parish; (225) 252-2698.

\$1,500. Glenn Thomas, Saint

Francisville, West Feliciana

tractor tools, 5ft grader box

for pricing. Lawrence Drude,

2007 F350, 4-door work truck,

scoop, 6ft grader box, call

Ponchatoula, Tangipahoa

Parish; (985) 969-2523.

runs and pulls, \$3,500. Patrick, Jennings, Evangeline

Parish; (337) 246-3112.

The Louisiana Department of Agriculture and Forestry is excited to announce the launch of its new Structural Pest Control Monthly Reporting Website, designed to simplify and enhance the way pest control businesses submit their monthly reports. This innovative online platform enables users to easily submit reports, make payments via credit card or ACH, and receive invoices directly from the site, all while ensuring that critical data is centralized for improved management and oversight.

The streamlined process significantly benefits both businesses and regulatory staff. Once users set up their logins, they can efficiently manage submissions, facilitating better communication and record-keeping. All information will be housed in one location, making it easier for inspectors and staff to access and analyze reports, ultimately allowing for more effective inspections and audits.

Kelly Moore, Director of the Structural Pest Control Program emphasized the positive impact of the new website. "This new system will allow our Structural Pest Control program to better manage reports and perform inspections and audits where we are seeing problems. The initial response has been overwhelming, with over a hundred reports entered in just the first few days of going live. Our team is already seeing how this improved process is enhancing our operations."

Businesses are encouraged to take advantage of the new reporting website, which is user-friendly and designed to facilitate compliance with regulatory requirements. By transitioning to an online format, the LDAF aims to reduce administrative burdens and enhance operational efficiency for everyone involved. For more information about the new Structural Pest Control Monthly Reporting Website, please visit www.ldaf.la.gov or contact spc@ldaf.state.la.us.

A look at Louisiana's farm-themed license plate

Agriculture plays a vital role in Louisiana, contributing over \$4.8 billion in agricultural products from 25,006 farms across nearly 8 million acres, according to the latest U.S. Department of Agriculture's Census of Agriculture

In addition to production, Louisiana is the nation's largest handler of grain for export to world markets. More than 40 percent of the country's grain exports move through the ports of Louisiana — thanks to the Mississippi River which flows directly from the Heartland.

Recognizing the industry's importance, Louisiana offers specialty agriculture license plates as a unique way for residents to show support for the state's farming community while directly funding agricultural education initiatives.

Emblazoned with the words, "Agriculture ... Growing Our Future," the plates are available for private passenger vehicles, vans, light trucks up to 16,000 pounds, and private buses, offering a way for residents to contribute to agricultural education with each purchase.

Introduced under Louisiana Revised Statutes 47:462 and 47:463.74, the agriculture plate initiative allows Louisiana residents to support youth agricultural education in exchange for a small additional fee. Initial issuance costs \$19, with an \$8 handling fee, and renewals incur a \$19 fee as well. This revenue helps fund materials and resources that bring agricultural learning into K-12 classrooms, connecting students with Louisiana's farming traditions and helping them understand the industry's impact on food, economy, and culture.

Any Louisiana resident can apply for this specialty plate. Plates are available at any motor vehicle office or public tag agent, or they can be ordered online at Louisiana's ExpressLane.org. The plates can even be transferred between vehicles under the same owner, adding flexibility for those upgrading or changing vehicles.



Image by: Toula Title and Louisiana Department of Public Safety

FREE

Recent wildfires highlight need for increased caution

LDAF fights Highway 67 fires, urges vigilance in continued dry conditions

On October 22, numerous wildfires were reported along Highway 67 in Clinton, Louisiana. Louisiana Department of Agriculture and Forestry (LDAF) fire crew personnel, along with local firefighters and several Mississippi fire departments, worked tirelessly to extinguish the fires.

An investigation conducted by LDAF's southeast region forestry enforcement agents and East Feliciana Parish Sheriff's Office detectives identified a motor vehicle as the likely cause of the fires. On October 24, 2024, the vehicle in guestion was located along with the registered owner. At this time, investigators believe a mechanical failure created an ignition source for the fires, unbeknownst to the driver.

LDAF would like to thank the East Feliciana Parish Sheriff's Office and all fire department personnel for their assistance in containing the fires.

"The state is at a heightened risk of wildfires due to recent prolonged dry conditions, which cause vegetation to be highly flammable," remarked LDAF Commissioner Mike Strain, DVM. "Please avoid activities that cause open flames or sparks. Properly discard cigarettes, avoid parking on dry grass, and check trailers for dragging chains. Even a small spark can ignite a large blaze that endangers homes, wildlife, and lives."

LDAF's Office of Forestry is tasked with responding to wildfires at any hour, and crews are hard at work throughout the state. In the event of an emergency that requires their assistance, you can call the LDAF 24-Hour Emergency Hotline at 1-855-452-5323 or dial 911.



LDAF maintains a Burn Ban Map based on the most current information from all parishes.

View the Burn Ban Map: www.ldaf.la.gov



LDAF fire crews respond to Vernon Parish wildfires

On October 18, Louisiana Department of Agriculture and Forestry (LDAF) fire crews, several local fire departments, and the U.S. Forest Service from Kisatchie worked tirelessly to extinguish ten wildfires on Highway 10. Before being brought under control, the fires burned close to 15 acres of woodland, damaging timber and threatening several homes.

LDAF investigators say that the fires, which started near Marlow Baptist Church and ended near Honor Field at Fort Johnson, were caused by a truck pulling a dual-axle trailer that blew out a tire near the church in Cravens. The vehicle's operator continued to drive for an estimated nine miles while showering sparks from the trailer's bare rim. Acting on tips, LDAF forestry investigators and the Vernon Parish Sheriff's office located the vehicle and driver, who was issued a summons for careless operation.

"Fire safety is everyone's responsibility," said LDAF Commissioner Mike Strain, DVM. "As the extremely dry weather continues, we encourage everyone to use care and avoid activities that cause open flames or sparks. Together, we can protect our communities with simple actions like properly discarding cigarettes, avoiding parking on dry grass, and checking trailers for dragging chains."

LDAF would like to thank the Vernon Parish Sheriff's Office for its assistance in this investigation, as well as the local fire departments and the U.S. Forest Service in Kisatchie for their help extinguishing these fires.

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ABOUT LITTLE FREE PANTRIES

Little free pantries, also known as "blessing boxes" or "little food pantries," are easily accessible, miniature food pantries. Stocked by neighbors for neighbors, little free pantries are crowd-sourced solution to addressing limited food access needs in communities.

WHAT MAKES LITTLE FOOD PANTRIES UNIQUE?

- Unlike traditional bick and mortar food pantries, little fooc Do not have eligibility requirements for use or hours of operation. Anyone can access the box anytime. Are small and offer limited variety and quantity of food and hygiene items. They are only intended to meet basic immediate needs. Do not distinguish between those that give items and those that receive items, helping reduce the stigma of being in need.

WHAT YOU'LL NEED

- Permission to install the pantry at a safe, accessible, and well-utilized location. Materials and tools to build the pantry. Skilled community members, volunteers, or others who can help build and install the
- Committed group of volunteers to regularly stock and monitor the box.





NASS releases 2022 Census of Agriculture Zip Code Tabulations

The U.S. Department of Agriculture's National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) released 2022 Census of Agriculture data tabulated by zip code. This allows users to explore farm characteristics at a local level. The zip code tabulations are available through Quick Stats, NASS's online data query tool.

"We are excited to provide data users yet another access point to ag census data with our zip code tabulations," said NASS Administrator Joseph Parsons. "Information from the Census of Agriculture is highly sought after by producers, agribusinesses, community planners, researchers, and policymakers alike. The ability to examine the data from local vantage points - congressional district, watershed, county, and now five-digit postal zip code - gives those stakeholders and decisionmakers the ability to advocate for their industry and their communities."

Last week, NASS released data for the 2023 Irrigation and Water Management Survey, the first of four ag census follow-ons to be released. On Dec. 16. the agency will release data from the 2023 Census of Aquaculture.

Since releasing the 2022 Census of Agriculture in February 2024, NASS has made available on its ag census web page a range of products related to the 2022 ag census, including: Market Value of Ag Products Rankings; State and County Profiles; Congressional District Profiles and Rankings; the Race, Ethnicity, and Gender Profiles; the Watersheds report; the American Indian Reservations Report; and the Specialty Crops publication. In addition, the 2022 Puerto Rico Census of Agriculture data were released in July 2024.

Other products to be released this fall and winter include additional ag census Highlights publications found on the NASS website at nass.usda.gov/ Publications/Highlights. Census of Agriculture Highlights cover topics such as producer demographics, commodity specifics, and more.

In preparation for the 2027 Census of Agriculture, NASS is already asking for content change suggestions and for new producers who did not receive a 2022 Census of Agriculture questionnaire last year to sign up to be counted in future censuses and surveys. Both forms can be found at nass.usda. gov.

FEED THY NEIGHBOR... continued from front

Hunters for the Hungry

In 1994, a group of local hunters gathered to discuss sharing the game and fish they harvested each year with the needy in the Greater Baton Rouge area. The hunters contacted the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, and the donations that first year were given to their dining hall. Thereafter, the response from hunters was so great that the dining room's storage was soon pushed to the limits, and help was enlisted from the Greater Baton Rouge Food Bank.



Since then, Hunters For The Hungry has increased awareness of their program throughout the state by partnering with all 5 major food banks in Louisiana. By conducting multiple programs such as the Clean Out Your Freezer Day and Freshly Harvested Game and Fish Programs, our organization is providing thousands of meals for Louisiana families.

For more information on how to get involved, make a donation, or find a processor near you, visit **h4hla.org**.

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If you'd like to start one in your community, the LSU AgCenter can offer support and suggestions for how to start one and what types of items to donate. You can learn more at www.lsuagcenter.com/healthcommunities.

To find or register an existing little free pantry, request a sponsor, or provide sponsorship for a little free pantry in Louisiana, visit https://littlefreepantryla.com/.



Farmers Market Nutrition Programs

Did you know that food benefits cards are available for low-income seniors and those with WIC benefits?

That's right... eligible participants can use the card to buy locally grown fresh fruit, vegetables, cut herbs, and honey (for seniors only) with certified farmers at approved farmers markets and roadside stands.

Become a vendor!

We're always looking for farmers to become new vendors. It's not complicated, and the certification is free... all you have to do is apply.

Once approved, we will contact you to schedule a training on the program and its payment process.

Not only will you be helping seniors and WIC recipients access fresh produce, but these programs offer farms access to a new revenue pool.

Whether you're a consumer or a producer, you can find more information about these programs at www.ldaf.la.gov/food/ farmers-market-nutrition-programs.



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LDAF Weights and Measures joins NIST raining

LDAF's Weights and Measures Division has been participating in the pilot program of the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) Office of Weights and Measures (OWM) "blended" training courses. The Retail Motor Fuel Dispenser Inspection course was taught (pre-Covid pandemic) in person by NIST training personnel over a period of 5 days. The blended approach is a 7-part mix of pre-work assignments, trainer-led presentations, selfdirected work (homework!), and culminated in a 3 day in-person hands on training and assessment.

The in-person training was held at the LDAF Headquarters in Baton Rouge and at a RaceTrac gas station on Florida Boulevard. The blended course was a success and will hopefully allow NIST to offer the training to many other jurisdictions soon. The Louisiana Weights and Measures staff that participated will take information back to their districts and share the lessons learned with other inspectors.

NIST plays an important role in developing training for weights and measures jurisdictions across the country. It's vital that standards and inspection procedures are taught uniformly so that businesses that operate in different states know what is expected for weights and measures regulations. Not all states or jurisdictions



In Picture: NIST OWM – Tina Butcher (Maryland), Scott Simmons (Colorado), John McGuire (New Jersey), and David Sefcik (Maryland); **RaceTrac** – Frank Campbell (Georgia); **LDAF Crew** – Paul Floyd (BR), Lee Mabile (BR), Shawn Waguespack (BR), Josh Moody (Hammond), Allicia Waller (Haughton), Anna Greathouse (Lake Charles), and Erynn Heffley (Lafayette)

have the same laws and regulations, but most adopt the standards published in Handbook 44: Specifications, Tolerances, and Other Technical Requirements for Weighing and Measuring Devices.

In this course, students learned proper safety measures, marking requirements, suitability, performance tolerances, sealing, and documentation of results for retail motor fuel dispensers (commonly called gas pumps).

2023 Irrigation and Water Management data now available

There were 212,714 farms with 53.1 million irrigated acres, which included 81 million acrefeet of water applied in the United States, according to the 2023 Irrigation and Water Management Survey results, published today by the U.S. Department of Agriculture's National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS). In 2018, the irrigation survey results showed that there were 231,474 farms with 55.9 million irrigated acres, which included 83.4 million acre-feet of water. The results show that the number of farms irrigating, the amount of land irrigated, and the total water used for irrigation decreased between 2018 and 2023.

"The 2023 Irrigation and Water Management Survey, conducted every five years, expands on the data collected in the 2022 Census of Agriculture," said NASS Administrator Joseph L. Parsons. "This report offers detailed, comprehensive, up-to-date information specific to the agriculture industry's use, management, and investment of water supplies and irrigation systems."

Data highlights from the 2023 Irrigation and Water Management Survey include:

- The total amount of water used in 2023 was 81 million acre-feet, down 2.8% from 2018.
- The average acre-feet applied per acre was 1.5, which was the same as the 2018 irrigation survey. (An acre-foot is the amount of water required to cover one acre to a depth of one foot.)
- The largest portion of irrigated farmland acres in the United States was dedicated

to cropland – including grain and oilseed crops, vegetables, nursery and greenhouse, and hay crops.

- Farmers irrigated 49.6 million acres of harvested cropland acres in the open in 2023.
- Ground water from on-farm wells accounted for 54% of irrigation water applied to acres in the open; the average well depth in 2023 was 241 feet.
- The irrigation results show 12.6 million more irrigated acres with sprinkler systems than gravity irrigation.
- Five states accounted for around one-half of the irrigated acres, and more than half of all water applied – Arkansas, California, Idaho, Nebraska, and Texas.
- Equipment, in general, is one of the leading irrigation expenditures with farmers and ranchers spending \$3 billion on irrigation equipment, facilities, land improvements and computer technology in 2023; energy costs for pumping well and surface water amounted to \$3.3 billion.
- Irrigated area of horticulture under protection was 1.7 billion square feet in

2023. This compares with 1.5 billion square feet in 2018.

• Irrigated horticulture grown in the open was 598,980 acres in 2023. This compares with 581,936 acres in 2018.

The 2023 Irrigation and Water Management Survey followed up with approximately 35,000 producers who indicated in the 2022 Census of Agriculture that they irrigated or had irrigation equipment. Producers provided information on water sources and amount of water used; acres irrigated by type of system; irrigation use by crop; and system investments and energy costs.

"The 2023 Irrigation and Water Management Survey data provide valuable information that producers, farm organizations, businesses, state departments of agriculture, elected representatives and legislative bodies at all levels of government can use to make agriculture water use more efficient," said Parsons. "From comparing water use by application methods or appraising water use trends to developing improved technologies or federal programs, these data are crucial to the industry."

To access the results of the 2023 Irrigation and Water Management Survey, visit nass.usda.gov/ AgCensus or view in NASS's online Quick Stats database.



LSU student team creates agricultural consultant with Al Helping farmers manage crops and weeds

LSU students and alumni have created a new, Al-powered tool called FarmSmart that puts decades of LSU AgCenter research right under the green thumbs of Louisiana's farmers. With a few clicks on their smartphones or computers, farmers and gardeners can quickly access actionable intelligence on how to best manage their crops and get rid of weeds.

While there are several apps on the market that already do plant recognition based on photos, FarmSmart goes many steps further.

"Our goal is to be as good or better than the best agricultural consultants," said Colin Raby, LSU alumnus and CEO of FarmSmart, which won LSU's leading pitch competition, the J. Terrell Brown Venture Challenge, last spring

"You can upload a picture of a plant or weed, and our app won't just identify them, but tell you how confident it is in its answer and provide alternatives—also, you can ask it any question about the plant, and it will provide recommendations for how to best manage that crop or weed based on the most up-to-date research, while citing the exact documents it pulled that answer from, so you can do your own fact-checking," Raby said. "In short, we're taking high-quality LSU agricultural research, synthesizing it using AI and large language models, and putting it in your pocket."

Raby was one of the first students to take LSU's Large Language Model Development and Deployment for Real-World Applications Honors course that was jointly developed by LSU Executive Vice President and Provost Roy Haggerty, Assistant Professor of Computer Science James Ghawaly, and Baton Rouge entrepreneur Henry Hays in 2023. The idea for FarmSmart came from a meeting and conversation with LSU AgCenter weed expert and associate professor Daniel Stephenson.

"Dr. Stephenson told us he's getting farmers, especially younger farmers who are taking over family farms, coming to him asking, 'How do I manage this thing about my crops?' and Dr. Stephenson going, 'Well, you have to read our guide,'" Raby said. "So, the idea of creating an interactive chatbot really came from him, to make the information in LSU AgCenter's annual Louisiana Suggested Chemical Weed Management Guide more accessible and useful. At least, that's where we started."

"As a land-grant university, our research-based recommendations are free and available to the public, but the classic method of disseminating this information has been through a sizeable annual publication, either in hard copy or as an online PDF people can look at or download,"



said Daniel Stephenson, weed scientist and LSU AgCenter associate professor and regional director based in Alexandria, Louisiana, where he serves as field crops coordinator for the Dean Lee Research Station. "Our primary goal has always been to help our producers be profitable. To accomplish that, the LSU AgCenter is dedicated to disseminating information in new and effective ways, and these students did an amazing job with FarmSmart."

When he's not working on developing FarmSmart, Raby serves as one of the nation's first congressional AI specialists in Washington, DC, helping the legislative branch of the U.S. government work more efficiently by improving workflows and advising on policy. Raby graduated from LSU last May with a bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering and minors in economics and aerospace engineering. He served as a teaching assistant for the second offering of LSU's Large Language Model Development course last spring and started researching AI on his own about three years ago.

"The more I learned about AI, the deeper I knew I needed to go," Raby said. "Everywhere I looked, I was like, why don't we use this technology to make this better, make that better?"

With extended family who are farmers in Louisiana, Raby is proud to develop a solution that combines agriculture and AI to increase farmers' profits while optimizing the use of pesticides and herbicides, which protects pocketbooks as well as the environment.

"We've incorporated massive amounts of data that no human could ever memorize," Raby said. "First of all, it's LSU research, but also research from other land-grant universities and data from the U.S. Department of Agriculture and the Environmental Protection Agency."

Raby's team includes LSU engineering students Julius Pallotta and Grant Muslow. Their biggest challenge in developing FarmSmart team was figuring out how to train a large language model on data that is structured somewhat randomly, such as herbicide and pesticide labels, for which there is no established template.

"Getting all of this information into a format the AI system could understand was actually very hard," Raby said. "We had to build our own system for how to chunk the data."

That's one of the reasons Raby isn't particularly worried about others coming along and stealing his team's idea.

"Code isn't patentable, so someone could, of course, come along and put in the time and effort to do what we've already done," Raby said. "But from our perspective, the best protection comes from doing something really well—from the quality of the product."

LSU Executive Vice President and Provost Roy Haggerty said FarmSmart exemplifies the kind of impact the university aims to achieve through its ongoing investment in AI and its practical applications for Louisiana.

"When we launched the Honors AI course in 2023, our goal was clear: to build a generation



The LSU FarmSmart team includes Grant Muslow, graduate student in electrical and computer engineering, Colin Raby, LSU mechanical engineering alumnus, and Julius Pallotta, biological and agricultural engineering major.

of experts who not only understand AI but use it to solve the unique challenges faced by our state," Haggerty said. "FarmSmart is a perfect illustration of this vision. Colin Raby and his team's work in developing AI-driven solutions for Louisiana farmers is an early example of how we are leveraging this emerging technology to directly contribute to the state's economy and the well-being of its people. By the end of 2024, we will have trained nearly 50 students to tackle real-world problems with AI, addressing everything from agriculture to healthcare."

Assistant Professor James Ghawaly, who coteaches the Honors AI course and leads the AI-powered data science research for a \$25 million collaboration between LSU and several national labs to protect the nation from nuclear threats, agreed. "Within a short few months, Colin Raby and his team developed an entirely new AI system that will have a real impact on agriculture applications in Louisiana and beyond," Ghawaly said.

Project team member Grant Muslow, an LSU graduate student in electrical and computer engineering from Shreveport, Louisiana, earned his bachelor's degree in computer science and engineering from LSU last May.

"FarmSmart is important to me because it provides farmers with access to information that would cost them thousands of dollars otherwise," said Muslow, referencing the current state of the agricultural consulting industry. "This information should be accessible at a fair price."

Team member Julius Pallotta from Mechanicsburg, Pennsylvania, is majoring in biological and agricultural engineering at LSU.

"Originally, my plan was to work in the automotive or aerospace industry. That was until I started to learn about the innovation in using technology to assist farmers," Pallotta said. "The agriculture industry is the most impactful on our survival as a society and I noticed there are a lot of needs farmers have that can be addressed with automation, imaging, software solutions, and other technological advancements. Farm Smart is addressing one of the oldest and most prevalent problems farmers have always faced."

The FarmSmart team expects their app to become available through the AppStore in coming weeks. For now, you can learn more about FarmSmart at **farmsmart.ai**.

Congresswoman Julia Letlow introduces the Farmer Assistance and Revenue Mitigation (FARM) Act

Congresswoman Julia Letlow (LA-05) joined Congressman Trent Kelly (MS-01) in introducing the Farmer Assistance and Revenue Mitigation (FARM) Act of 2024. This legislation addresses the urgent need for immediate economic support for Louisiana farmers facing unprecedented challenges as they approach the crucial lending season for the 2025 crop year.

The FARM Act will give farmers one-time assistance payments and will be a critical resource for farmers in helping them pay down debt relative to the 2024 crop year and assist them in obtaining financing for the 2025 crop year.

This bill would help provide farmers with the resources they need to navigate the current crop year, which has been marked by unpredictable weather, rising production costs, and low harvest yields.

"We wouldn't be able to function as a nation without our agriculture industry and the hardworking farmers who keep it running." said Congresswoman Letlow. "As I've traveled across the Fifth District, I've heard directly from farmers who are on the verge of bankruptcy, and desperately need targeted assistance in order to continue feeding our nation and fueling our economy. This bill responds to the immediate needs of our agricultural community by providing targeted assistance so that our farmers are equipped to sustain their operations, support their families, and contribute to the local economy."

"Farmers have been hit with circumstances outside of their control, such as natural disasters, inflation pressures, and drought, which have crippled their ability to obtain financing from credit and banking institutions. The FARM Act will bridge the gap, providing relief so that our farmers can continue to do their best—feed the nation," said Congressman Kelly.

This bill will:

- Provide one-time (1) economic assistance payments to farmers of eligible commodities, including barley, corn, cotton, rice, soybeans, and wheat.
- Support farmers whose expected revenues for the 2024 crop year fall below production costs, alleviating financial strain.
- Enable farmers to pay down debts and secure financing for the 2025 crop year.

Congresswoman Letlow added: "The FARM Act isn't just an economic relief measure; it's an investment in the future of our agricultural industry. Supporting our commodity farmers will give them the support they need to pay off their debt now ahead of the next crop season." "Louisiana's farmers desperately need the help the FARM Act would provide. We have farmers who are facing a third year of severe losses due to record input costs and low commodity prices. Congresswoman Letlow has clearly heard this loud and clear. Farm shortfalls are now compounded by the expiration of the 2018 Farm Bill and the lack of a new Farm Bill as we look toward 2025. Louisiana Farm Bureau is proud to stand with Congresswoman Julia Letlow and thank her for being an original co-sponsor of this well-developed piece of legislation. We're fighting alongside her to get this passed for Louisiana's farmers." said Richard Fontenot, Louisiana Farm Bureau Federation President.

"The LCGA is thrilled at the great work that went in to developing the language included in the FARM Act. It's most unfortunate that the farm economy is so bleak right now, but this assistance package would provide a much needed reprieve to make up some of the shortfall that so many farmers across the country are facing. This assistance package would allow them to pay down some debt in a time when input costs are through the roof and so many farmers are struggling to keep their operations afloat. We commend Rep. Julia Letlow for all she has done, her leadership and cooperation with her counterparts in Congress to get this much needed bill across the finish line." said Bobby Skeen, LA Cotton & Grain Association Executive Vice President.

U.S. Cotton Trust Protocol achieves record growth, reinforcing commitment to sustainable practices and traceability

The U.S. Cotton Trust Protocol, a leading program for responsibly grown cotton, today released its 2023/24 Annual Report, showcasing record grower participation and notable strides in environmental stewardship. The report highlights the program's progress in driving transparency and continuous improvement across the cotton supply chain, even amidst a challenging economic climate for growers.

"This year's report demonstrates the unwavering commitment of U.S. cotton growers to continuous improvement, even in the face of significant challenges," said Dr. Gary Adams, President of the U.S. Cotton Trust Protocol.

"The Trust Protocol is proud to support their efforts by providing the tools, resources, and market opportunities needed to build a more resilient and sustainable future for U.S. Cotton."

Key highlights from the 2023/24 Annual Report:

Record Grower Enrollment: Planted acreage enrolled in the Trust Protocol grew to 2.1 million acres, a 31% increase from the previous year, demonstrating a strong industry commitment to responsible production. Tangible Environmental Gains: Trust Protocol growers continued to outperform national averages, achieving a 14% improvement in yield and making significant reductions in water use (14%), energy use (27%), greenhouse gas emissions (21%), and soil loss (79%) compared to a 2015 baseline.

Climate Smart Cotton Program Expansion: The program, designed to help growers adopt climate-smart practices, saw growth with 1,427 U.S. farming entities enrolled, including 282 from historically underserved communities.

Traceability Platform Advancements: The Trust Protocol made noteworthy progress in scaling its Protocol Consumption Management Solution (PCMS), recording 1.2k shipments of cotton fiber (equivalent to 3.4 million bales of U.S. Cotton and 636,000 bales of Protocol Cotton).

Enhanced Governance and Collaboration: The Trust Protocol expanded its Board of Directors to include greater international representation and joined the United Nations Fashion and Lifestyle Network, underscoring its commitment to global collaboration.

"It's not always easy to take risks when you're a farmer, especially financial risks," said Alyssa Cain, a Trust Protocol grower from Texas. "This program gives us the support to try new things, to build a better system for the long haul. That not only provides peace of mind but a farm with healthier soil, cleaner water, a system that works with nature, not against it."

The 2023/24 Annual Report also details the Trust Protocol's efforts to enhance its data collection and analysis processes, expand its Climate Smart Cotton Program, and strengthen its traceability platform to meet the evolving needs of brands and retailers.

"This year's report highlights both the progress our growers have made and the operational improvements within the Trust Protocol," said Daren Abney, Executive Director of the U.S. Cotton Trust Protocol.

"We've streamlined systems to make participation easier for all and introduced a new consumption-based membership model launching in 2025 to support companies of all sizes in responsible sourcing."

The complete U.S. Cotton Trust Protocol 2023/24 Annual Report is available at **report. trustuscotton.org**.

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Over the course of two years, each of the participating educators and/or programs will teach a class of students annually, through classroom instruction and hands-on experiences in the school bee yard, about basic beekeeping, including what goes into starting a beekeeping enterprise and maintaining successful hives.

Each educator and/or program will also select up to five outstanding youth from their classes of students with an interest in beekeeping for a year-long intense supervised agricultural experience (apprenticeship) in beekeeping and honey production. Each apprentice will be responsible for the success of one hive in the school bee yard for a 12-month period and learn the skills necessary to become honey production entrepreneurs.

This program is designed to address the loss of small producer operated beehives in Louisiana due to beekeeper aging and the need for a new generation of beekeepers to maintain the industry, as well as benefit overall specialty crop production in Louisiana.

For questions regarding the program or application, please contact Mark Earl at 318-487-5089 or mearl@ldaf.state.la.us.

For more information on the Apprenticeship Project for Growing New Beekeepers in Louisiana, visit https://www.ldaf. la.gov/animals/bees.



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POULTRY SALES & SHOWS

Abbeville Poultry Sales & Swap — Held every 4th Sunday from 8 AM until 12 PM at the Tractor Supply, 3410 Veterans Memorial Drive. No sick animals and no dogs or cats. Contact Kenneth Richard at (337) 319-5669.

Denham Springs Poultry Swap — Held every 2nd Saturday from 9 AM until 1 PM at the Tractor Supply on Florida Boulevard. Only healthy animals, no dogs or cats. Contact Daniel at (225) 665-9042.

Hammond Poultry Swap — Held 1st Saturday of the month at Tractor Supply on Florida Boulevard. Only healthy animals. Contact Jenna at (225) 439-9024.

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12 PM at Tractor Supply on Highway 90. No sick animals and no dogs or cats. Contact Roy at (337) 523-1807.

Opelousas Poultry Swap & Sales – Held every 1st Sunday from 8 AM until 12 PM at the Tractor Supply, Highway 190. No sick animals and no dogs or cats. Contact Larry at (337) 945-2804.

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Reeves Auction & Livestock — Held every 1st and 3rd Saturday of the month at 3 PM. Located at 9271 Highway 190 in Ragley. Includes general merchandise and poultry. Contact Danny Reeves at (337) 309-9679.



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Bogalusa Cow Sorting

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Cotton Country Open Horse Show Assoc.

All shows held at the Northeast LA Exhibition Center on Hwy 33 in Ruston. For more information, visit **www.ccohsa.com**.

Deep South Stock Horse Show Assoc.

All shows begin at 9 AM and alternate between Clinton and New Roads arenas. Remaining show dates for 2024 include Nov. 30 (New Roads). More information: http:// dsshsa.weebly.com/ or email: dsshsa@ gmail.com

Jefferson Davis Riders Club

All shows held at Crowley Rice Arena and begin at 9 AM unless otherwise noted. For more information, call Cathy Meche at (337) 526-2281 or visit **www.jeffdavisridersclub.** org.

Livingston Horse Show Association

All shows held at South Park Arena in Denham Springs unless otherwise noted. For more information, visit **www. livingstonhorseshow.weebly.com** or call (985) 507-0605.

Louisiana Little Britches Rodeo

All events held at the West Cal Arena unless otherwise noted. For more information, visit **lalbra.weebly.com** or email **lalbra@yahoo. com**.

Louisiana Stock Horse Association

All shows start at 9 AM. Remaining dates for 2024 are Nov. 23-24 (Beauregard Parish Arena, DeRidder). For more information, visit **www.louisianastockhorse.com**, follow them on Facebook or call (225) 394-9534.

LIVESTOCK EVENTS

The Louisiana Polled Hereford Association will hold their annual Bayou Classic Sale on Saturday, April 12, 2025, at 1 PM at the Dean Lee Livestock Facilities and Sales Arena located at 8105 Tom Bowman Drive, south of Alexandria.

Anyone seeking to consign animals to sale can contact Brett Daigle (225-571-1766 or fitter70737@yahoo.com) or Ronnie Bardwell (985-320-8978 or ronniebardwell@gmail.com). The consignment deadline is February 1, 2025.



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Amite Livestock Co. (TUES/SAT) 58449 Highway 51, Amite (985) 748-8636, www.cattleusa.com Dominique Stockyard (TUES) 2800 W. Landry Street, Opelousas (337) 942-5661, dominiqueslivestock.com

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SAVE THE DATE: SU AgCenter's 82nd Annual Livestock & Poultry Show

The Livestock Show was established by J.W. Fisher, director of the College of Agriculture; Tom J. Jordan, state cooperative extension agents, along with a group of statewide vocational agricultural teachers, agricultural extension workers, and community leaders. The show began as a poultry show. A dairy calf project was added in the second year. That same year, the name was changed to the State Poultry and Dairy Show. The exhibitors were youth from limited-resource families.

Since 1943, Southern University has upheld the tradition of providing an opportunity for youth throughout the State of Louisiana to gain valuable knowledge and skills at the Annual State Livestock and Poultry Show. The objective of the youth livestock program is to develop responsibility, dedication, decision-making, leadership, trustworthiness, sportsmanship and citizenship through the possession and personal care of a live animal project. The youth (4-H or FFA members) will have many educational opportunities and activities to learn about animal husbandry and develop life skills. We are striving for maximum contact with the animal and participation in educational activities.

Over the years, the program has made a positive impact on the state and its citizens recruited students to Southern University, and developed professional agriculture and home economics workers, community leaders, entrepreneurs, and politicians. The show has contributed enormously to the total agricultural industry and economy of the state of Louisiana.

The Southern University Ag Center Livestock Show remains the premier event for displaying youth showmanship and quality animals. The Livestock Show and related programs teach leadership skills, character development, and entrepreneurship skills to the youth who prepare year-round for competitions.

View the rule book and meat order form at www.suagcenter.com/page/livestock-poultry-program.



Louisiana partnership projects selected to advance conservation and climate-smart agriculture

Partner-driven projects through the Regional Conservation Partnership Program

The USDA announced a historic \$1.5 billion for 92 partner-driven conservation projects through the Regional Conservation Partnership Program (RCPP), a partner-driven approach to conservation that funds solutions to natural resource challenges on agricultural land. Partners will provide \$968 million in contributions to amplify the impact of the federal investment. Louisiana Projects include the AR-LA CDN Open Pine Landscape Restoration #2, to receive \$21,250,000 in funding, and the RCPP Alternative Funding Arrangements (AFA) for Federal Fiscal Year 2024, to receive \$17,000,000 in funding. Selected RCPP projects, including those in Louisiana will help farmers, ranchers, and forest landowners adopt and expand voluntary, locally led conservation strategies to enhance natural resources while tackling the climate crisis.

"The Regional Conservation Partnership Program is an example of public-private partnership at its best," said Steven Cole, Acting State Conservationist in Louisiana for USDA's Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS). "Thanks to the boost in funding from the Biden-Harris Administration's Inflation Reduction Act we're able to invest even more in this popular and important program and increase our conservation impact across the country, supporting our nation's farmers, ranchers and forest landowners while at the same time protecting our natural resources for the future."

"America's working lands and forests are crucial in our fight against the climate crisis—from sequestering carbon pollution to absorbing the impact of storms and floods," said John Podesta, Senior Advisor to the President for International Climate Policy. "Today's awards make sure that the people who know those landscapes best—farmers, ranchers, and forest landowners—have the resources they need to lead this important work."

The projects support priorities in conservation and climate and can save farmers money and increase productivity. For example, there are six projects that support use of innovative technologies to reduce enteric methane emissions in livestock. There are also 16 projects that address water conservation in the West, ensuring producers and communities have the tools they need to adapt in the face of continued drought pressures. And 42 projects promote terrestrial wildlife habitat conservation and restoration, as directed by the recent USDA Secretarial memo: Conserving and Restoring Terrestrial Wildlife Habitat Connectivity and Corridors.

NRCS also set aside \$100 million for Tribal-led projects, part of a broader effort to support Tribes and Tribal producers through NRCS conservation programs. From this set aside, NRCS has made seven awards to five different tribes and tribal entities.

By leveraging collective resources and collaborating on common goals, RCPP demonstrates the power of public-private partnerships in delivering results for agriculture and conservation. In Louisiana, projects include:

AR-LA CDN Open Pine Landscape Restoration #2

This project will greatly improve Forest Health for Wildlife Resources in the West-Gulf Coastal Plain; it will connect and build upon American Bird Conservancy's successful programs in other landscapes across the U.S. The Lower Mississippi Valley Joint Venture Conservation Delivery Network will deliver this project to advance the recovery of species of conservation concern through use of desired forest conditions management practices for Open Pine habitat. Implementation of integrated vegetation management treatments on corridors connecting public and private lands will more than double our conservation impact, linking private lands conservation into a restored landscape for the next 10-20 years.

RCPP Alternative Funding Arrangements (AFA) for Federal Fiscal Year 2024

This project will be a multi-state effort aiming to restore the ecological health and economic vitality of the Mississippi River Basin via sediment and nutrient runoff reduction. By implementing conservation practices and enrolling wetlands and floodplains in permanent easements, the project will create critical wildlife corridors and protect riparian buffers and bottomland forests.

See the list of all the 92 awarded projects at www.nrcs.usda.gov/programs-initiatives/ rcpp-regional-conservation-partnershipprogram.

Projects are being awarded under both RCPP Classic and RCPP Alternative Funding Arrangements (AFA). RCPP Classic projects are implemented using NRCS contracts and easements with producers, landowners and communities in collaboration with project partners. Through RCPP AFA, the lead partner works directly with agricultural producers to support the development of innovative conservation approaches that would not otherwise be available under RCPP Classic.

EVENTS

SU AgCenter's Fall Garden Workshop

Tuesday, November 26 • 9 AM - 2 PM

At the 2024 "SUmthin's Growing!" workshop, you'll discover ethnic vegetables that grow in south Louisiana... how to grow them, cook them, and eat them! To be held at the SU Multipurpose Building located at 14600 Scenic Hwy in Baton Rouge, LA.

For more information, visit **www.suagcenter.** com.

2024 Louisiana Forage Conference Friday, December 13 • 9 AM - 1 PM

At this annual 1-day event hosted by the Louisiana Grazing Lands Conservation Initiative, you can network and learn with other graziers, hay folks, and ranchers. Keynote speaker Allen Williams is a founding member of Understanding Ag and the Soil Health Academy.

To learn more and register, visit **www. louisianaglci.org/events**.



2025 Louisiana Agriculture Outlook Conference

Tuesday, January 14, 2025 • 8:30 AM - 2 PM

This event brings together producers, industry experts, AgCenter faculty, policymakers, and community members who are passionate about and dedicated to the future of Louisiana agriculture in order to provide an economic outlook for production inputs, row crops, forestry, and cattle for the 2025 year.

The conference will be held at the State Evacuation Shelter located on the AgCenter's Dean Lee Research Station in Alexandria, LA.



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