

# LOUISIANA MARKET BULLETIN

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In the latest episode of Crawfish Tales, Commissioner Mike Strain visits Eric Couvillion, owner of Live Edge Woodworks, in Breaux Bridge, Louisiana. Eric is transforming ancient sinker cypress logs from the Atchafalaya Swamp into exquisite furniture pieces. He is one of a handful of craftsmen who operate a singular production house, from harvesting the wood to cutting the slabs and creating a finished piece of furniture. Each board from each log of sinker cypress is a different canvas from which he unveils the beauty that lies within.

Couvillion's journey with sinker cypress began 25 years ago when he took over a lease on approximately 2,200 acres in the Atchafalaya Swamp, a location that uniquely offers road access south of I-10 to Morgan City. During low water periods from August to October, he meticulously marks, digs up, and hauls out these ancient logs, which are often buried in mud rather than just submerged in water, adding to the challenge of their recovery.

Once extracted, the logs are milled and undergo a patient air-drying process lasting



two to three years due to their high moisture content. The wood is ready for use once its moisture level drops to the teens, revealing its natural beauty and history.

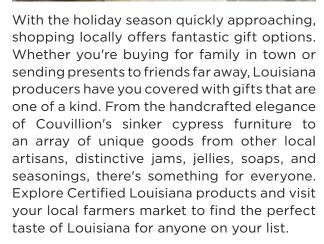
Sinker logs, often over 700 years old, are remnants of trees that have fallen due to natural events or were left behind by early loggers. These logs have distinctive characteristics due to the presence of "cypressine," an oil that gives them a unique aroma and causes some logs to sink. Couvillion's logs have been radiocarbon-dated to as old as 2,200 years, with dense growth rings indicating their ancient origins. These rings, some just a cell thick, confirm the wood's superior quality compared to modern cypress.

The vibrant natural colors of the wood—light greens, blues, grays, reds, and oranges—are a testament to its beauty. As Couvillion describes, "Mother Nature painted a picture, I get to frame it."

Couvillion's passion for woodworking, which began at age 15 and has deep roots in his family, evolved from a hobby into a full-time business after his retirement three years

ago. Specializing in tables and mantles, he has worked on notable projects, including a table for a lodge in Yellowstone and an upcoming delivery of four tables to a lawyer in Pennsylvania.

To enhance his business's credibility and attract customers, particularly those who have moved away from Louisiana, Couvillion became a member of Certified Cajun. This certification gives buyers confidence in the authenticity of his products, especially those seeking genuine Louisiana materials like sinker cypress.



If you're a local business owner or Louisiana producer, consider becoming "Certified." To qualify for the Certified Louisiana logo program, your product must be made, grown, manufactured, processed, produced, or substantially transformed in the state of Louisiana. Discover more about the Certified Louisiana program at certifiedlouisiana.org. Also, check out the Crawfish Tales video series on YouTube to learn more about Certified Louisiana members like Eric, at www.youtube.com/@laagandforestry.



## **COMMISSIONER'S CORNER**

## Managing Stress During Harvest Season

Harvest season is a thrilling yet demanding time for agricultural producers and their families. It marks the culmination of a year's hard work and offers a glimpse into the upcoming season. However, the excitement can often be overshadowed by stress due to equipment issues and time constraints. For those in production agriculture, the fall season serves as a critical reminder to prioritize self-care and stress management. Here are seven tips to help you navigate this busy time while maintaining your well-being:

Nourish Your Body

Maintaining a balanced diet is key to managing stress. Incorporate fruits, vegetables, and whole grains into your meals to sustain energy levels and improve mood. Proper hydration is equally important; drink plenty of water and moderate caffeine intake to stay alert without overtaxing your system.

Prioritize Rest

Amidst the busyness of harvest, don't underestimate the power of sleep. Aim for at least eight hours each night to restore energy and support mental well-being. Adequate rest is vital for coping with the physical and emotional demands of the season.

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#### **USDA Agriculture Marketing Service Hay Prices**

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#### **SOUTHEAST ALABAMA WEEKLY HAY REPORT, OCTOBER 2, 2025**

Bermuda Large RoundPremium\$200/tonBermuda Medium RoundPremium\$150-\$200/tonBermuda Small SquarePremium\$280-\$440/ton

#### **SOUTH TEXAS WEEKLY HAY REPORT, OCTOBER 3, 2025**

Bermuda Large Round	Good	\$75-\$85/ton
Bermuda Small Square	Good	\$10-\$12/ton

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## VISIT YOUR LOCAL AM FARMERS MARKET



#### **ACADIA**

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

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

Benton Farmers Market 495 Simpson, Sun 12-4PM

Bossier City Farmers Market 2950 E Texas St Sat 9AM-1PM, April-Nov

#### **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

#### CALCASIFU

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

Lake Charles Farm & Table Market 110 W Pine St, Lake Charles Tuesdays 3pm-6pm

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-

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

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

#### **JEFFFRSON**

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

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

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



#### **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

Bovce Farmers' Market 627 Pacific Ave, Thur 3-6PM

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

#### **RICHLAND**

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

#### ST. CHARLES

German Coast #1 St. Charles Parish Library, 160 West Campus Dr, Destrehan Sat 8AM-12PM

German Coast #2 • West Bank Bridge Park 13825 River Rd, Luling Wed 1-5PM

#### ST. HELENA

St. Helena Parish Farmers Market, 6032 LA-10, Greensburg, Fri, 8AM-1PM

#### ST. LANDRY

St. Landry Farmers Market 952 East Landry St, Hwy 190, Opelousas, Tu/Th/Sat 6:30-11AM, Apr-Nov

Funice Farmers Market Second St & Park Ave Sat 9AM-12PM, May-Nov

#### ST. MARTIN

Stephensville Market Rec Park 3257 Hwy 70, Morgan City 2nd Sat, 10AM

#### ST. MARY

Berwick Town Market Under bridge @ 3rd & Lima St 3rd Sat 9AM-1PM (Mar-Jun & Sept-Dec)

#### ST. TAMMANY

Abita Springs Art & Farmers Market. 22049 Main St Sun 11AM - 3 PM

Covington Farmers Market • 609 North Columbia St Sat 8AM-noon, Wed 10AM-2PM

Mandeville Trailhead Market 675 Lafitte St, Sat 9AM-1PM

Pearl River Farmers Market & Craft Show, 64537 Hwy 41 1st Sat 8AM-2 PM

Camellia City Farmers Market • 2055 2nd St, City Hall Parking Garage, Sat 8AM-12PM

#### **TANGIPAHOA**

Hammond Market • Market, 106 NW Railroad Ave, Sat 8AM-12PM

St. Joseph Tailgate Market Gazebo on Plank Rd Sat 8-11AM, Mem-Labor Day

#### **TERREBONNE**

Cajun Farmers Market of • Houma, Naguin St & Martin L King Blvd. Mon-Sat 6AM-6PM

#### **VERMILION**

Abbeville Farmers Market Magdalen Sq, Abbeville Jun 20, Jul 11, Aug 15, Sept 19, Oct 17 & Nov 21, 8AM-1PM

Kaplan Farmers Market Turnley Park, 119 N Irvin Ave 2nd Sat. 8AM-12PM

#### **VERNON**

Leesville Farmers Market S. 3rd St Wed 10AM-2PM, Sat 8AM-2PM

#### WASHINGTON

Franklinton Farmers Market • Washington St & 15th Ave Mon-Sat, 6:30AM-7PM

#### **WEST FELICIANA**

St. Francisville Market 9961 Wilcox St Thurs 8AM-1PM, Spring-Fall

#### WINN

Winn Farmers Market • 301 West Main, Winnfield Tues-Fri, 7AM-until sold out

Markets that accept FMNP Food Benefits Cards

#### **CLASSIFIED AD CATEGORIES**

## AGRITOURISM ANIMALS

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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**

Tack

Other ag implements

#### **FERTILIZER**

#### **FOOD**

Eggs

Fruits & vegetables

Honey

Jams & jellies

From the farm

#### **HAY & GRAIN**

#### **HOBBIES & LEISURE**

Crafts & woodwork

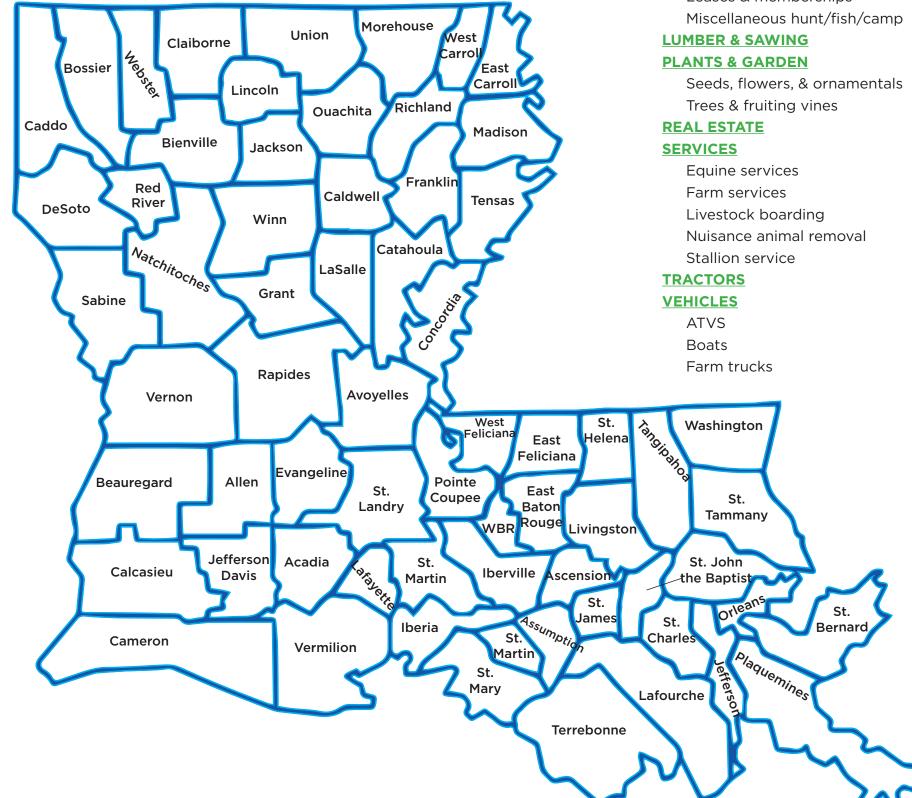
Sewing & fabrics

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Fishing & tackle

Guns & accessories

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#### **DEADLINES & GUIDELINES**

ISSUE	DEADLINE (12 PM)
October 30	PASSED
November 13	October 30
November 27	November 13
December 11	November 27

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## **AGRITOURISM**

#### Mobile Petting Zoo, birthday

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

#### 1.5-mile scenic woods trail,

catch and release fishing, kayaks, 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.

## **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.

#### **ANGUS**

#### **Three Registered Black Angus**

heifers, 11-12 months, 750 lbs, excellent quality, performance and EPD's, all vaccinations, 21291820, 21289584, 21291821, \$2,500-\$2,850. Zachary Comeaux, Scott, Lafayette Parish; (337) 288-6526.

#### Six registrable heifer weanlings,

pure black angus, 6 months. around 500lbs, call for pricing. Vanessa Hogan, Center Point, Avoyelles Parish; (318) 541-3923.

#### Aberdeen Angus Registered PB

Black Low Line Angus two cows(exposed) and bull(proven), perfect for homestead herd, LSU VET monitored herd, \$2,700. Steve, Prairieville, Ascension Parish; (225) 571-7780.

#### Registered Angus bulls, long

yearlings, big framed, long deep bodied, bulls for heifers or cows raised in the south for the south, \$4,500. Joseph Greg Tate. Ville Platte. Evangeline Parish; (337) 831-7120.

#### Four 2 1/2-year-old registered

black Angus virgin bulls, Al sired, superior genetics, one breeding season guaranteed, references available, free delivery, \$6,000 each. Earl Lemoine, Moreauville, Avoyelles Parish; (318) 452-5503.

#### Registered Black Angus heifers, 8-months-old, \$2,900. Donald de la Houssaye, New Iberia,

Registered Black Angus cows bred to Registered Angus Bulls, \$3,900. Donald de la Houssaye, New Iberia, Iberia

Parish; (337) 519-3446.

Iberia Parish; (337) 519-3446.

#### Herd Bull Prospect 12Star

Angus breeding AAA20896430, sire Potts Bros Trail Boss,

dam T/D Blackcap F612. born 11/7/2023 1610# BSE pass Trich negative, DNA tested, pictures available, guaranteed, \$6,500. Aaron Poirrier, Roseland, Tangipahoa Parish; (985) 514-1043.

Address \_\_\_

#### **BRAHMAN**

Grav bull. 2-years-old, ready to breed, branded and registered, papers available, \$2,500. Dyron Jones, Robeline, Natchitoches Parish; (318) 472-6855

#### PB Brahman bull calf, gentle

and very well bred, v8 and Hudgins bloodline, pictures available, 7-months-old, \$2,500 or trade for nice heifer. Sam Broussard, Maurice, Vermilion Parish; (979) 479-0929.

#### **CHAROLAIS**

#### **Registered Full Blood Charolais** Bulls 16 -22 months old excellent

bloodlines, high performance, low birth weights, adds meat and bone to calves, \$4,000 and up. Marylyn M Fitzsimons, Franklinton, Washington Parish: (985) 515-8527.

#### **HEREFORD**

#### Registered Hereford bull

calves, horned, scrubbed, polled, DNA tested, \$3,500. Mitch Johnson, Pitkin, Vernon Parish; (337) 423-3507.

#### Registered Miniature

Hereford's, call for pricing and availability. Blaire LeBlanc, St. Francisville, West Feliciana Parish; (225) 931-3450.

#### Registered horned Hereford

bulls, will be 2 years old in October 2025, gentle, semen check and trick tested, \$5,500 each. Lennie Wales, Hammond, Livingston Parish: (985) 974-2903.

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#### **OTHER**

#### WANTED: Two Zebu or other

heifers, over 12-monthsold, affordable price, leave message if no answer. Ray Reynolds, Roseland, Tangipahoa Parish; (748) 247-2927.

#### **DOGS**

#### Free half German Shepard male, 2 years old. Amanda

Chatelain, Marksville, Avoyelles Parish; (318) 452-3826.

#### **AKC German Shepherd**

puppies, 1st shots and wormed, \$300. Walter Bourque, St. Martinville, St. Martin Parish; (337) 342-8015.

#### Toy Poodles, \$300 OBO. Walter

Bourque, St. Martinville, St. Martin Parish; (337) 342-8015.

#### Rat Terrier pups, born 7/9/25,

smaller type, shots and wormed, \$200. Susie Vercher. Deville. Rapides Parish: (318) 447-0244.

#### Yorkie Puppies, please call or

text for availability. Sarah Walker, Basile, Acadia Parish; (337) 298-8218.

#### Free Rat Terriers, young adult. Paul Comeaux, Lafayette,

Lafayette Parish; (337) 322-1905. CKC Registered Pekapoo pups,

born 9/25/2025, 2 males and 1 female, black, parents on sight, small dogs 6 to 6 pounds grown, call for pricing. Patricia Plunkett, Jonesboro, Jackson Parish; (318) 533-0395.

#### **Teddy Roosevelt Rat Terriers**

Type B, AKC, \$400 up. Pam Frey, Wisner, Franklin Parish: (318) 267-8499.

#### Great Pyrenees puppies, to be born in December, parents on site. \$250. Mitch Johnson. Pitkin. Vernon Parish; (337) 423-3507.

#### Golden Doodle stud, proven,

60lb apricot standard, stud fee, \$1,500, live coverage and shipping options. Kelsey Higginbotham, Broussard, Lafayette Parish; (337) 654-3058.

#### Catahoula mix puppies,

beautiful brown leopard colors. born 8/29/25, ready October 24, will have first shots and vet exam completed, \$75. Kelly Landry, Moreauville, Avoyelles Parish; (985) 237-5160.

#### Anatolian / Pyrenees 2 boys and

4 girls, they have had first shots and wormed once, \$50. Judy, Converse, Sabine Parish; (318) 521-4115.

Purebred Rat Terrier puppies, born August 4, 2025, 4 males, \$75 each. Jimmy Fontenot, Ville Platte, Evangeline Parish; (337) 351-3094.

#### **Great Pyrenees puppies,**

females only, parents are great guard dogs, call and leave message, \$200 each. Jerry Corley, Trout, LaSalle Parish: (318) 992-8101.

#### **Jack Russel Terrier pups, CKC**

registered, born June 16, 2025, UTD on shots and wormed, \$500. Harold Vercher, Deville, Rapides Parish; (318) 447-0244

#### AKC Shih Tzu puppies, 1st shots

and wormed, 3 males and 1 female, available after November 6, \$2,500 with \$500 deposit. Glenn Waters, Alexandria, Rapides Parish; (318) 787-7301.

#### **NRTA Registered Rat Terrier**

puppies, farm dogs, DNA testing, vet health certificate cleared by parents, call

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for availability, \$600 and up. George Snyder, Saint Amant, Ascension Parish; (225) 588-5757.

**Great Pyrenees puppies, born** 6/1/25, three females left, born and living with sheep and cattle working parents on site, \$250 each. Donna Rico, Moreauville, Avoyelles Parish; (318) 481-6094.

CKC Register Chihuahua puppies, first shot and dewormed regularly, \$500. Donald Fornea, Angie, Washington Parish; (985) 750-1239.

Brittany pups, males and females, champion's blood line, excellent hunters or pets, whelped 8/18/25, Quail, woodcock, or retrieve dove, \$750 with \$100 deposit. David Brabham, Kentwood, Tangipahoa Parish; (985) 974-1950.

CKC registered Chi-poo/ Pek-a-poo puppies, born 7/27/25, 4 males, 2 females, black and little white, one cream colored, small dogs, weigh 4 pounds or less, first shots and wormed, call for more information.

D Musselwhite, Shreveport, Caddo Parish; (318) 228-5083.

Full Blooded Patterdale terriers, 2 female and 6 males, dad is a retired hog dog and mom is a yard dog, mom trees and barks at squirrels and never been trained, \$200 a pup. Corey Johnson, Pine Prairie, Evangeline Parish; (318) 587-1712. **AKC European German** 

Shepherd pups, well socialized, easily trained, great bloodlines, \$2,000. Cindi Gascon, Gretna, Jefferson Parish: (601) 299-0264.

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.

Registered Mountain Cur female Squirrel dog, trails and trees, call for pricing. Brenda, Oakdale, Allen Parish; (318) 335-1414.

Free half German Shepard male, 2 years old. Amanda Chatelain, Marksville, Avoyelles Parish; (318) 452-3826.

#### **DOMESTIC BIRDS**

Handfed Green Cheek/

Pineapple/Sun CheekConures, Cockatiels, Quakers, Lovebirds, please call or text. Sarah Walker, Basile, Acadia Parish; (337) 298-8218.

Sun Conures, 16 weeks old, DNA certificate included, \$650 each, text if interested. Rodney Granger, Metairie, Jefferson Parish; (504) 715-3162.

White doves, parakeets \$10 each. Mark Gregory Lumetta, Amite, Tangipahoa Parish; (504) 451-6655.

Young healthy peacocks \$40-60 each. Mark Gregory

Lumetta, Amite, Tangipahoa Parish; (504) 451-6655.

Ornamental ducks \$40 each. Mark Gregory Lumetta, Amite, Tangipahoa Parish; (504) 451-6655.

Catalina Macaws, hatched early September 2025 in Acadiana, should be weened by Christmas, currently being parent raised, Scarlet Hen, Blue Gold father, siblings talk, \$3,900. EV Gomez, Baton Rouge, East Baton Rouge Parish; (228) 669-1969.

Young pair of Scarlet Chestnut parakeets, hatched in July 2025, not mated and DNA tested, \$300. Donald Jacob, LaPlace, St. John The Baptist Parish: (985) 817-9456.

Two pairs of Bourke parakeet hatched in June 2025, Rosy male and normal female and a normal male and Rosy female, non related pairs with DNA papers, \$250 per pair. Donald Jacob, LaPlace, St. John The Baptist Parish; (985) 817-9456.

Diamond doves, wild type and blue with white tail, \$20 each, ultimate red, \$40 each. Donald Jacob, LaPlace, St. John The Baptist Parish; (985) 817-9456.

**Blue Crossover Quakers, 3** pairs, proven, \$300 per pair. Charles Fontenot, Scott, Lafayette Parish; (337) 561-8165.

Galvalume sheet metal nesting boxes, customized sizes, trays for rabbit cages, bird cages, etc., available, also wood duck boxes, please call or text for pricing. Andy Walker, Basile, Acadia Parish; (337) 254-4414.

Have three 8-month-old IB/pie male peacock, looking to trade for females of a different breeds, not IB females, any other colors. Winnfield, Winn Parish; (318) 628-7636.

#### **PIGEONS**

Classic Modenas, Voorburg sheild cropppers, text message preferred, or leave message,\$20 each. Jay Thibodeaux, OPELOUSAS, St. Landry Parish; (337) 351-1660.

AutoSexing Texan Pioneers, 2lbs, Utility Pigeons, \$25 each. Norman Usie, Breaux Bridge, St. Martin Parish; (337) 332-1459.

Small racing type homers, many colors, unsexed birds, older birds, \$8 dollars each. Rodney P Wempren, Ponchatoula, Tangipahoa Parish; (985) 212-7873.

Giant Runts unsexed single birds 2025, \$40 per bird. Rodney P Wempren, Ponchatoula, Tangipahoa Parish; (985) 212-7873.

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

India Blue Peacocks, breeding age males, overstocked, price reduced, worming and care instructions with each, will ship USPS, please leave message, \$150 each. Beverly Matheson, Bell City, Calcasieu Parish; (337) 274-1342.

India Blue peacocks for sale, \$100, text or call. Becky Clay, Pollock, Grant Parish; (318) 451-3554.

Golden Pheasants, 2 pairs of young red Golden Pheasants, 2025 hatch, \$80 per pair. Bill Strecker, Slidell, St. Tammany Parish: (985) 640-9982.

**Bantam Roosters, Pictures** available, \$10 each. Gary Hebert, Sr, Gonzales, Ascension Parish; (225) 715-4942.

Young hens, 6-months-old, laying, \$25. Greg Lafleur, Opelousas, St. Landry Parish; (337) 831-0889.

Ducks, Mandarins, woodducks, ringed teal, silver Bahama pintails, whitecheeks \$40 each. Mark Gregory Lumetta, Amite, Tangipahoa Parish; (504) 451-6655. Young healthy peacocks, black shouldered, whites, pieds \$40-60 each. Mark Gregory Lumetta, Amite, Tangipahoa Parish: (504) 451-6655.

BB Reds, Sebrights, Polish, Silver Duckwings, and more, call for pricing. Mary B Johnson, Heflin, Webster Parish; (318) 230-6691.

**Turkeys, one fully mature male,** one laying hen 1, adolescent both tom and hen, \$25 for fully mature, \$20 for others. Scott Bourque, Youngsville, Lafayette Parish; (520) 226-6666.

Hens, 5-months-old, all good breeds, \$15 each, 2 young white turkeys, \$20 each. Stanley Stewart, Franklinton, Washington Parish; (985) 241-2269.

Jumbo white and brown Pharaoh quail all size birds, \$1.25 to \$6.00 each, non-fertile quail eggs \$0.15 each, fertile quail eggs \$0.20 each. Timmy Dumatrait, Breaux Bridge, St. Martin Parish; (337) 296-6021.

## HORSES, JACKS & MULES,

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.

5 year old Paint Jack, 47-inch tall, very gentle, nice donkey, also have 6 Jennys for sale, call for pricing. Wayne Smith. Glenmora, Rapides Parish; (318)447-3487.

Miniature horses, gelded, big enough to ride, call for pricing. Skip Russell, Ruston, Lincoln Parish; (318) 548-5050.

Registered Half American Quarter Horse, sire is Peppinita Figure Four, \$2,500. Mitch Johnson, Pitkin, Vernon Parish; (337) 423-3507.

**Gentle half-grown Donkeys,** small type jacks, male, \$100. Harry L Trichel, Campti, Natchitoches Parish; (318) 476-2653.

Miniature Stud Horse, 8 years old, beautiful Palomino with white mane and tail, not a kids horse, would make an excellent breeder or yard ornament, pictures available, asking \$800. Codi Cooper, Longville, Beauregard Parish; (336) 529-7751..

#### **RABBITS**

Large 9-hole and 12-hole tower rabbet cages, all have baby



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saver wire, pee guards, removable trays, nesting boxes and auto waters, \$300. Donna, Moreauville, Avoyelles Parish; (318) 481-6094.

Going out of business must sell, New Zealand Whites, California, and mixed breed bucks, does, and fryer size, if no answer leave a message, \$20-\$25 for bucks and does, \$12 for fryers. Lizzie, St. John The Baptist Parish: (985) 233-9494.

California, New Zealand, and a mix of the two for sale, last one I harvested and cleaned was 12 pounds, \$15. Scott Bourque, Youngsville, Lafayette Parish; (520) 226-6666.

#### **SHEEP & GOAT**

Nigerian dwarf bucklings, born mid-February, up to date on CDT shots and dewormed, some blue-eyed, very playful, \$100 each. Angela Winsko, Oakdale, Allen Parish; (318) 485-4200.

Pb Dorpher ram, 18 months old, ready to service ewes, will make a very nice and huge ram, \$350 firm. Blake Bertrand, Ville Platte, Evangeline Parish; (337) 665-0499.

Purebred Boer Billy Goat, born December 20, 2024, great herd sire or family pet, friendly, call or text for more information, \$500. Cheri McReynolds, Zwolle, Sabine Parish; (307) 730-8229.

**20-month-old Katahdin ewe,** possibly bred, \$180 and 7-month-old ewe lamb, \$100. Linster J Guillot, Mansura, Avoyelles Parish; (318) 305-1705.

Percentage Boer Billy goat, \$300. Norris, Plaquemine, Iberville Parish; (225) 385-8503. **WANTED: Nubian male goat.**Bobby Broussard, Carencro,
Lafayette Parish; (337) 852-1589.

#### **SWINE**

Kune piglets double and single waddles, seven females one male, shots and wormed, \$100 each. William Karr, Kentwood, Tangipahoa Parish; (504) 912-0417.

## **AQUACULTURE**

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

Pond stocking, blue catfish, \$0.45/1; channel catfish, \$0.40/1, Copper nose bluegill, \$0.35/1; Louisiana bluegill, \$0.35/1; hybrid bluegill, \$0.40/1; red-ear bream, \$0.40/1; black crappie, \$0.45/1; bass, \$1.25/1; fathead minnows, \$14/lb. David Lowe, Minden, Webster Parish; (318) 465-2350.

## **EQUIPMENT**

## CONTRACTOR EQUIPMENT

**2 3/8-inch tubing, tested to** 5,000 pounds, \$40 per joint. Bobby Denton, Jena, LaSalle Parish; (318) 992-4504.

Case 445 track loader skidsteer, rubber tire over the tire tracks, 2,400 hours, \$19,500 or possible trade for large 4x4 tractor. Patrick, Jennings, Evangeline Parish; (337) 246-3112.

CAT 246 Skid Steer on wheels, 3,900 hours, good working condition, operates as it should, \$13,000, with Prowler tracks, \$16,000. Rayburn Bushnell, Lake Charles, Calcasieu Parish; (337) 515-2294.

CAT D5K2 LGP dozer, 2012, no DEF, good undercarriage, new engine installed by cat dealer 80 hours ago, 3,750 hours, new hydraulic lines, ready to work, \$60,000. Stan Muller, Krotz Springs, St. Landry Parish; (337) 945-5557.

#### EQUIPMENT SERVICES FOR HIRE

Dozer and excavator work services, land clearing, limestone, dirt, ponds, crawfish ponds, roads, house pads, culvert settings, and level work, call for quote. Chad Helminger, Mansura, Avoyelles Parish; (318) 201-5767.

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

Track hoe, dozer and grinder work for \$200 per hour, \$1,000 minimum, Livingston Parish and surrounding areas. Lattie Martin, Walker, Livingston Parish; (225) 405-5229.

Mobile welding, track hoe, handyman, call for quote. Patrick, Acadia Parish; (337) 526-8825. Land clearing, excavator and dozer work, house pad, culverts, pond, excavation, bull dozing, site preparation, dirt hauling, grading and more

dozing, site preparation, dirt hauling, grading and more, call for quote. Stephen, St. Francisville, West Feliciana Parish; (225) 938-6836.

#### **HAY EQUIPMENT**

New Holland round baler, 450 roll belt (twine), shed kept, wanting net baler, call for pricing. Rod McCown, Welsh, Jefferson Davis Parish; (337) 368-1570.

John Deere1984 4420 Combine, 947 hours, Rasp bars 213 Flex header Standard trans, Ser#X600059, \$7,500. Dale Denais, Duson, Lafayette Parish; (337) 561-9922.

NH bale wagon, \$1,200. David Fontenot, Ville Platte, Evangeline Parish; (337) 831-8120.

NH 570 Square baler, \$4,000. David Fontenot, Ville Platte, Evangeline Parish; (337) 831-8120.

NH 664 Round baler, \$4,500. David Fontenot, Ville Platte, Evangeline Parish; (337) 831-8120.

**Vermeer 10-wheel rake, \$800.** David Fontenot, Ville Platte, Evangeline Parish; (337) 831-8120.

**Vermeer Round baler, \$4,500.** David Fontenot, Ville Platte, Evangeline Parish; (337) 831-8120.

Vermeer 605 H round hay baler, 5X6, kept in shed, \$4,000 OBO. Joseph, Independence, Tangipahoa Parish; (985) 687-6621.

**John Deere R280 Disc cutter, 5** discs, 8ft mower, like

new, good cover guard, used once, \$16,000. Larry Duhon, Kaplan, Vermilion Parish; (337) 652-6200.

**Tonutt, hay rake, good** condition, RTP8 8-wheel, \$1,500. Larry Duhon, Kaplan, Vermilion Parish; (337) 652-6200.

#### LAWN EQUIPMENT

**2006 pole saw T242, \$75.**Barbara Ward, Saline, Bienville Parish; (318) 576-3639.

**2016 super bronce tiller, \$300.** Barbara Ward, Saline, Bienville Parish; (318) 576-3639.

**2018 weed trimmer, \$75.**Barbara Ward, Saline, Bienville Parish; (318) 576-3639.

Outside Cast Iron Wood Burners, \$150 and up OBO. Gary Hebert, Sr, Gonzales, Ascension Parish; (225) 715-4942.

New belt for 48-inch snapper Z-row turn, ordered wrong size, belt #510392, bought for \$109, asking \$80. H. Boss, Church Point, Lafayette Parish; (337) 896-5783.

## PICKERS & HARVESTERS

**W&A 8-row hippers with**Ortham row markers, \$2,000.
Bobby Denton, Jena, LaSalle
Parish; (318) 992-4504.

**Taylorway 8-row cultivator,** 5-plow gangs with shields, \$800. Bobby Denton, Jena, LaSalle Parish; (318) 992-4504.

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.

## PLANTING & TILLAGE

**3pt International 1-row planter** with planting plates, all leveling row attachments, ready to plant, \$1,500 OBO. Earl Normand, Cottonport, Avoyelles Parish; (318) 308-6713.

**Cultipacker Seeder Kasko** 1872T, used once, garage kept, \$12,300. Kent, Larose, Lafourche Parish; (985) 637-4252.

**4-foot County Line Tiller and** Cat 1 Quick Hitch, both in excellent condition, \$900. Pete Broussard, Church Point, St. Landry Parish; (409) 291-2262.

## TRAILERS & WAGONS

**2013 16' Gooseneck Brand** Stock Trailer, kept under cover,

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\$7,000. G Perry, Grosse Tete, Iberville Parish; (225) 572-9667.

## **Gooseneck trailer, \$1,000 or** best offer. Gary Hebert, Sr, Gonzales, Ascension

Sr, Gonzales, Ascension Parish; (225) 715-4942.

# Horse trailer, four stalls, two doors on each side, gate in the middle, open top will need new cover, \$1,000 or best offer. Gary Hebert, Sr, Gonzales, Ascension Parish; (225) 715-4942.

#### **16ft flatbed trailer, \$1,200.** Harding Bordelon, Moreauville, Avoyelles Parish; (337) 288-2158.

## **5ftX10ftX3ft (height) box feed** trailer, tandem axles, electric brakes, bumper pull, divide

brakes, bumper pull, divide compartment with tarp, \$3,800. Pat Fusilier, Eunice, St. Landry Parish; (337) 230-9455.

# **14ft Gooseneck stock trailer,** good condition, center cut gate, butterfly back gates, \$4,500. Pat Fusilier, Eunice, St. Landry Parish; (337) 230-9455.

# **32ft Red Rhino hay hauler, Go** Bob gooseneck, hauls eight 4X5 round bales, \$4,400. Pat Fusilier, Eunice, St. Landry Parish; (337) 230-9455.

#### 2015 Big Tex GP14 20 Foot Goose Neck FB Trailer, good condition, new deck boards and undercoat, only used twice a year for hay, \$4,500. Paxton W Latiolais, Breaux Bridge, St. Martin Parish; (337) 230-6811.

#### Older Hale Livestock Trailer 16foot dual axle, bumper pull, sliding rear gate, 20-foot total length, \$750. Richard, Arnaudville. St. Martin

Parish: (337) 308-2282

#### Cotton trailers, 40ft, 36ft, 32ft,

30ft, 24ft, for bark, hay, Mardi Gras, 2, 3, or 4 axles, \$4,350-\$5,000, delivery available. T L Enright Sr, Sicily Island, Catahoula Parish; (318) 282-6299.

## **150 Bushel grain cart, \$2,000.** Tony Carrere, Arnaudville, St. Landry Parish; (985) 637-5984.

#### Covered wagon top, canvas, 9ft 6in X 11ft 9in, side ropes, clips, and hooks, 5 wooden bows, \$800. Wesley Forman, Monterey, Concordia Parish; (318) 758-3220.

#### 2011 Econoline tilt trailer six new brakes six new bearings new tires gooseneck triple axel 21,000lbs 8x25, \$9,500 OBO. William Karr, Kentwood, Tangipahoa Parish; (504) 912-0417.

## OTHER AG EQUIPMENT

## **12ft Taylorway disc, fair** condition, \$900. Charles Jarreau, Lakeland, Pointe Coupee Parish; (225) 405-6965.

#### 24ft JD field cultivator, fair condition, \$600. Charles Jarreau, Lakeland, Pointe Coupee Parish; (225) 405-6965.

# **15ft stalk chopper 3pt, heavy** duty, good condition, \$1,999. Charles Jarreau, Lakeland, Pointe Coupee Parish; (225) 405-6965.

#### 2 complete INT engines, \$1,500. Charles Jarreau, Lakeland, Pointe Coupee Parish; (225) 405-6965.

#### Homemade 3pt blade, \$500.

David Fontenot, Ville Platte, Evangeline Parish; (337) 831-8120.

# **Tiger Flail mower rear pto, 90**-inch, many new parts, text for pictures, \$2,500 OBO. Garrison Landry, Port Allen, West Baton Rouge Parish; (225) 288-2387.

#### **8-foot bionic blade land leveler** text for pictures, \$1,200. Garrison Landry, Port Allen, West Baton Rouge Parish; (225) 288-2387.

#### All sizes metal pipe, call for more information, \$0.50 per pound or pipe length. Gary Hebert, Gonzales, Ascension Parish: (225) 713-4942.

#### Fire Pit 3' x 18" deep, \$200 or best offer. Gary Hebert, Sr, Gonzales, Ascension Parish; (225) 715-4942.

# **24-inch complete plantation** bell, \$800, other sizes different prices. Gary Hebert, Sr, Gonzales, Ascension Parish; (225) 715-4942.

#### Ford/New Holland Grinder/ Mixer Model 355, 100 bushel capacity, bought new, kept under shed, have all manuals, excellent condition, can send pictures to your email, \$9,500. Gary Marler, Sieper, Rapides Parish; (318) 201-9621.

#### Kuhn side cutter GMD-600 GII, \$3,600. Harding Bordelon, Moreauville, Avoyelles Parish; (337) 288-2158.

#### Tree sprayer self contained, Pecan peerless dryer, I-Core #5141 Pecan color sorter, call for pricing. L B Wiley, Ferriday, Concordia Parish; (318) 719-2245.

# **12ft plow, heavy duty, good** tires, new hydraulic hoses, \$4,000. Larry Duhon, Rayne, Vermilion Parish; (337) 652-6200.

# **12ft modern ag galvanized** predator batwing mower, great shape, good hoses, \$12,000. Larry Duhon, Rayne, Vermilion Parish; (337) 652-6200.

# **7ft galvanized rotary cutter** bushhog made by Modern, highway special, \$4,500. Larry Duhon, Kaplan, Vermilion Parish; (337) 652-6200.

#### Roar hay spear by Modern, galvanized, great shape, \$250. Larry Duhon, Kaplan, Vermilion Parish; (337) 652-6200.

#### Two PTO Spinditchers, call for more information, \$2,500 for one, \$1,000 for other, or trade for plow. Patrick, Jennings, Evangeline Parish; (337) 246-3112.

#### Modern brand 3PT 8ft plow, \$1,500 or trade for 12ft plow. Patrick, Jennings, Evangeline Parish; (337) 246-3112.

#### 2017 Isuzu Old Swanson dairy truck, motor runs good truck is in good shape needs transmission work, \$8,500. Peter Sulham, Lake Charles, Calcasieu Parish: (337) 292-8003.

#### Farmall super A 4' rotary cutter, House brand, garage kept like new with chainsaw guards, used 4 times, runs very quiet, hook to drawbar, \$1,000 OBO. Robert, Natchez, Natchitoches Parish; (318) 619-9142.

#### Woods 42c belly mower for Farmall cub and 3 drawbars, great shape, 5' blade for Super A, will sell all or part, call for pricing. Robert Wilmore, Natchez, Natchitoches Parish; (318) 619-9142.

John Deere Backhoe

# Attachment #47 with 20" bucket, mounting plates, and Power Beyond hydraulic kit, used on 4200 thru 4600 series John Deere tractors, \$2,500 OBO. Scott Kees, Deville, Rapides Parish; (318) 451-1180.

# Strongway 60" acreage rake, 6 rake wheels with extra rake wheel, height and width adjustable, used one time, cost over \$400, selling at \$280. Scott Kees, Deville, Rapides Parish; (318) 451-1180.

#### Used roofing tin, 27 sheets of 15ft, rustic, price includes 10 shorter pieces and other misc. metal roofing pieces, \$600 for all. Simpson Neal, Loranger, Tangipahoa Parish; (985) 320-4930.

#### 2 3/8and 2 7/8 oilfield tubing available, to be picked up near Crowley, \$35 and \$40 respectively. Wayne Haristy, Crowley, Acadia Parish; (337) 581-5126.

## **WANTED: Single row to pull** with tractor. Aaron J

#### Fuselier, Eunice, St. Landry Parish; (337) 457-5667.

Parish; (318) 476-2653

## **WANTED: Rear Tractor Tire size** 15/5/38. Harry Trichel, Campti, Natchitoches

## **WANTED: Komatsu side engine** panels to fit a D31P. James Delrie, Deville, Rapides Parish; (318) 446-4785.

# FARM & LIVESTOCK SUPPLIES

#### **TACK**

#### Hand braided nylon cow whips \$50/up, repair whips too. Billy Anderson, Baker, East Baton Rouge Parish; (225) 592-2431.

# **16.5-inch Tucker pleasure riding** saddle, comes with matching girt, excellent condition, \$750. Adrian, Colfax, Grant Parish; (910) 320-6078.

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

#### **Heiser Keyston Mule Saddle,** 16", good condition, \$850. Richard Vairin, Kenner, Jefferson Parish; (504) 467-8986.

## OTHER AG

#### Livestock feed troughs on skids, 4ftX8ft, \$390, 1-ton capacity bulk feed, \$850. Anthony Brown, Goldonna, Natchitoches Parish; (318) 357-0616.

#### 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.

## **3 pot belly heaters, \$175, \$250,** \$400, OBO. Gary Hebert, Gonzales, Ascension Parish; (225) 715-4942.

## **30-gallon, \$500. Gary Hebert,** Gonzales, Ascension Parish; (225) 715-4942.

## **25lb pot, \$400. Gary Hebert,** Gonzales, Ascension Parish; (225) 715-4942.

## **17-gallon pot, \$275. Gary** Hebert, Gonzales, Ascension Parish: (225) 715-4942.

## **15lb pot \$225. Gary Hebert,** Gonzales, Ascension Parish; (225) 715-4942.

## **9 1/2-gallon pot, \$200. Gary** Hebert, Gonzales, Ascension Parish; (225) 715-4942.

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#### 6 1/2-gallon pot, \$175. Gary Hebert, Gonzales, Ascension Parish; (225) 715-4942.

#### Antiques, 60 years of collecting, prices vary, call for information, \$25 and up. Gary Hebert, Gonzales, Ascension Parish; (225) 715-4942.

Aluminum used fence panels different sizes, \$25. Gary Hebert, Gonzales, Ascension Parish; (225) 715-4942.

Plantation bells, complete, \$400 each. Plantation Bells. incomplete, \$400, Garv Hebert, Gonzales, Ascension Parish; (225) 715-4942.

Country charm 4 burner stove with bread warmer, \$1,000 OBO. Gary Hebert, Gonzales, Ascension Parish; (225) 715-4942.

4 Horse trailer two doors on each side, gate in the middle. damage top, will need tarp, pictures available, \$1,000 or best offer. Garv Hebert Sr, Gonzales, Ascension Parish; (225) 715-4942.

Miller 250 welding machine/ 10kw generator, well-maintained and in good condition, 262 hours, 100ft leads on both sides, welding machine, \$4,500, with trailer \$5.500. John Smith. Roanoke. Jefferson Davis Parish; (337) 302-3437

10" ID well pipe, 10ft joints, threaded on both ends, most with collars and shaft guides, can load, \$100 per joint, Linster Guillot, Mansura, Avoyelles Parish; (318) 305-1705.

**DEK 5650 watt / 7060 surge** generator, in great shape, \$325. Linster Guillot. Mansura. Avovelles Parish: (318) 305-1705

Arrowquip 74 series Chute alley and tub, like brand new, \$18,000. Seth Broussard. Kaplan. Vermilion Parish; (337) 561-2567.

Crawfish traps, used, call for pricing. Shane Gautreaux, Ville Platte, Evangeline Parish; (337) 466-2915.

**WANTED: Mustard green** planter. Raymond Bates, Amite, Tangipahoa Parish; (985) 517-5549.

#### **FARM BUILDINGS FOR SALVAGE**

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



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Call (225) 925-3780 or email weightsinfo@ldaf.state.la.us for more information.

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.

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

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

#### **PLANTS AND GARDEN**

**Grafted Mayhaw Trees, 3-gallon** pot. \$25. Mayhaw Seedlings. 1-gallon pot \$3. William, Eros, Ouachita Parish; (318) 249-4512.

#### FOOD

#### **EGGS**

Smoked pickled quail eggs, \$10 per pint, 20 eggs per pint, other flavors available, pick up in Roanoke, \$10. Cody . Lejeune, Roanoke, Jefferson Davis Parish; (337) 962-8140.

Pharaoh quail egg, \$0.20, Pickled egg, \$0.15, a week-old egg, \$1.25, 2-week-old, \$1.75, full grown quail, \$2.50 male. Blaise Sonnier, Youngsville, Lafayette Parish; (337) 856-5884

Chicken eggs collected throughout the day for freshest

eggs possible from happy and healthy chickens, new cartons, shelf stable, unwashed, bloom still intact, delivery available, \$4 per dozen, \$9 flat. Sunflower Hill Farm LLC, Amite, Tangipahoa Parish; (985) 517-1614.

#### FROM THE FARM

**GrangeGroceries is a FREE app** and website connecting local consumers to local producers, sign up online today and sell directly to consumers! Alyssa, Allen Parish; (337) 523-5063.

Several varieties of blue and white sugarcane, excellent for chewing and syrup making, you cut at the farm, \$50 cents per stalk. Gerald Burns, Kentwood, Tangipahoa

Parish; (225) 937-3112.

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Mayhaw juice for sale, frozen, undiluted, and deep red, makes beautiful jelly, \$12 per quart. Caroline Ancelet, Scott, Lafayette Parish; (337) 781-2396.

#### Fresh Sweet Potatoes,

Avoyelles and Orleans varieties, available in 40 lb boxes, call for more information, \$25. Joey Dugas, Mansura, Avoyelles Parish; (318) 308-3120.

## HAY & GRAIN

Hay, Hybrid Bermuda, 4x5 round bales, net wrapped, very tight, baled 9/10/2025, priced to sell and move out quickly, \$32.50 per bale, 10 or more \$30. Norman Young, Mamou, Evangeline Parish; (337) 303-3385.

Taking orders for 2025 Bermuda square bales, email or text, big\_country1967@ yahoo.com, \$6 per bale in the field, \$7 per bale in the barn. Bob Murphy, Crowley, Acadia Parish; (337) 230-5634

4X5 Round Bahia bales, net wrapped, baled 2025, \$25 each. Carlos Guillot, Marksville, Avoyelles Parish; (318) 359-6764.

4X5 good, fertilized, clean hay, no weeds, treated grass string, \$45 per roll. Charles Bell, Franklinton, Washington Parish: (985) 839-9222.

5x5 round bales, Bahia grass, well fertilized, under barn, \$55. Delos Thompson, Folsom, Tangipahoa Parish; (985) 373-4067

Eight round bales Bahia, \$35 each. Derrick, Oakdale, Allen Parish; (318) 306-9110.

Roasted Soybeans, \$.35/lb. Donovan Mire, Labadieville,

Assumption Parish; (225) 931-5964.

5X5 twine wrapped mixed grass bales, bailed 9/13/25. 48 remaining, \$25 per bale. Donovan Mire, Labadieville, Assumption Parish; (225) 931-5964.

4x5 Hav bales, barn held, 3 for \$100, round bales, barn held, \$75. Gary Hebert, Gonzales, Ascension Parish; (225) 715-4942.

Square Hav Bales Barn Held, \$6 each. Gary Hebert Sr, Gonzales, Ascension Parish; (225) 715-4942.

2025 Bahia Hav. fertilized. horse hay, round bales, \$45, square bales, \$6.50, cow hay, round bales, \$30, cured without rain, stored in barn. Joseph Patanella, Independence, Tangipahoa Parish; (985) 687-6621.

Alecia hay 4X5 round bales, limed and fertilized, barn kept, \$50 per roll. Kenneth Derveloy, Egan, Acadia Parish: (337) 581-8466.

Premium 4x5 Round Bales, net wrapped Bermuda, Bahia, Clover, and Rye, tightly wrapped, pasture stored, \$25 for pickup, will deliver locally for \$35. Lambert. Alexandria. Rapides Parish; (318) 452-5422

4X6 bales of Bahia grass, call or text, \$20. Lance, Eunice/ Richard, Acadia Parish; (337) 305-3655.

Bahia Hay, excellent 2024 Baling, 4x5 bales, clean, sprayed and fertilized, delivery available, \$25. Matheson, Bell City, Calcasieu Parish: (337) 496-4346.

Round Bales 4X5, Bahia, plastic wrapped for storing outside or transport, \$45, square bales, \$5 each. Mike Beard, Sunshine Iberville Parish; (225) 276-8374.

Jiggs Bermuda bales, and other kinds, 5X4, round rolls, net wrapped, well fertilized, barn kept, over 200 available, can deliver, also have outside hay, \$25 per bale. Mitch Johnson, Pitkin, Vernon Parish; (337) 423-3507.

Bahia hay rolls, 4X5, in barn, \$35 per bale, square bales, \$8 each. Ralph Racca, Broussard, Lafayette Parish; (337) 789-1024.

Round Hay bales, 4X4, baled September 2025, call only, \$25 each, bales from last year, \$10 each. Ronald Comeaux, Lafayette, Lafayette Parish; (337) 277-1324.

4X5 round bales of 2025 Pensacola Bahia cut a couple of weeks ago. \$25. Scotty Cormier, Scott, Lafayette Parish; (337) 254-5223.

5X5 Bermuda/Bahia mixed round bale, \$25 per bale. Shane Gautreaux, Ville Platte, Evangeline Parish; (337) 466-2915.

2025 crop, Argentine Bahia, barn kept, fertilized, 4X5. \$45 per roll. Wayne Prats,



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#### What is a GAP Audit?

Good Agricultural Practices
(GAP) audits are voluntary audits
that verify that fruits and
vegetables are produced, packed,
handled, and stored to minimize
risks of microbial food safety
hazards.

Cost of a GAP Audit:
\$171 per hour + travel
time
(price is subject to change)

## How can the GAP grant help you?

• Grant will cover 75% of incurred GAP expenses or up to \$1,000

## Requirements to be eligible for the Grant:

- The program is open to any produce grower, packer, or handler operating in Louisiana.
- Farms must be active and engaged in selling or distributing produce.
- Farm manager must complete the PSA Grower Training / GAP
   Training

For more information, please email Kelly Hughes at Khughes@ldaf.state.la.us or Achyut Adhikari at Acadhikari@agcenter.lsu.edu

Plainview, Washington Parish; (504) 908-3908.

#### MIX 30 Liquid Cow Feed, \$1.95

per gallon delivered. Kevin Tyler, Pine Grove, Livingston Parish; (225) 337-3312.

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## CRAFTS AND WOOD WORK

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table, bought in Europe, \$4,900. Dannie W. Lynch, Winnfield, Winn Parish; (318) 277-6572.

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#### **Collection of antique gas**

meters some coin operated and early as 1870, 40-year collection rare and unique, \$4,000 OBO. Robert Wilmore, Natchez, Natchitoches Parish: (318) 619-9142.

## HUNTING, FISHING, & CAMPING

**GUNS &** 

#### **ACCESSORIES**

## **Browning silver camo 12-guage** shotgun, has all chokes and

shotgun, has all chokes and never been fired, \$1,000. Robert Willie, Folsom, St. Tammany Parish; (985) 302-4281.

#### 1952 Vintage Browning Belgium

16-guage, good condition, \$650, must leave message. Russell Gautreaux, Baton Rouge, East Baton Rouge Parish; (225) 335-7834.

#### Browning A-Bolt 22Ir in good

condition comes with 4 magazines 2 mags are new old stock never used, \$650. Sean Harmon, Loranger, Tangipahoa Parish; (985) 981-7984.

#### **Browning X-Bolt Target Max 6.5**

Creedmoor, like new, low round count, \$1,000. Sean Harmon, Loranger, Tangipahoa Parish; (985) 981-7984.

#### WANTED: 16-gauge Remington

1100, will pay \$700 in good condition, must leave message. Russell Gautreaux, Baton Rouge, East Baton Rouge Parish; (225) 335-7834.

## MISC HUNTING ITEMS

#### Different sizes aluminum drip

coffee pots, \$50. Gary Hebert Sr, Gonzales, Ascension Parish; (225) 715-4942.

#### Amax's climbing deer stand,

with gun rest, rated up to 350lbs, \$200. Irven Theriot, Geismar, Ascension Parish; (225) 247-8422.

#### Tire chains extra HD, fits all 16-

inch tires, \$100 a set, HD tire chain, \$50. Wesley Forman, Monterey, Concordia Parish: (318) 758-3220.

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#### .60 CCA Treated Poles, Timbers

and Lumber. Great for Livestock Fencing, Barns, and Docks.,call for price. Diamond Lumber Co., Moss Bluff, Calcasieu Parish; (337) 855-7714.

#### Split seasoned oak firewood,

local delivery available, \$300 per cord. Stephen, Wakefield, West Feliciana Parish; (225) 938-6836.

#### Free firewood, large oaks on

the ground, you cut and haul, some cut in firewood lengths. Jim Smith, Stonewall, DeSoto Parish; (318) 218-9690.

#### **REAL ESTATE**

#### **FOR SALE**

#### 3.5 miles west of I-55 at MS Exit

8, pine, hardwood, live creek, small pond, 192 acres, Highway 568 and Church Road, \$6,000 per acre. Bill Haag, Magnolia, MS, Acadia Parish; (601) 754-0861.

#### 60 acres 1690 LA Highway 1230

Georgetown, Grant Parish, good deer and hog hunting, does have house and sheds, house needs repair, \$4,000 per acre. Ken Bradford, Georgetown, Grant Parish; (318) 451-1937.

#### 1.63 acres at exit 32/I-12 North,

forms the corner of LA Highway 43 and Steward Road, asphalt road, no servitudes, \$295,000. Robert Tarifa, Holden, Livingston Parish; (504) 235-3778.

## SERVICES

## **EQUINE SERVICES**

#### Race horse trainer, over 25

years experience training race horses, won races, licensed trainer, Delta Down, Fairground, Louisiana Down, Evangeline Down, \$50 per day. Ed or Cordel Cormier, Lafayette, Lafayette Parish; (337) 326-7087.

#### 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, tune-ups, basic manners, call for quote. Abigail Grace, Dry Creek, Allen Parish; (318) 229-1918.

#### 5B Breaking & Training, AQHA Professional Horseman's Team

Professional Horseman's Team

member, specializing in 2-yr-old and problem horses, developing good broke ranch cow horses, 39 years' experience with references, covered and outside arena, call for quote. John Brown, Franklinton, Washington Parish; (225) 931-9210.

#### **FARM SERVICES**

#### **Bushhog and finishing mower**

work, and lawn services, Avoyelles Parish area, call for quote. Blake Ducote, Cottonport, Avoyelles Parish; (318) 305-4949.

#### Gravel, dirt, driveways,

bushogging, materials delivered for a price depending on location, many other services offered, call for free quote. Dawson Krull, Avoyelles Parish; (337) 945-6542.

#### 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.

#### Driveway work, road work,

limestone, calbase, ash, roadbase, crushed concrete, recycled asphalt, sand, dirt paths, tractor work, excavator work, call for free estimate.
Alvin Joseph, Lake Charles, Calcasieu Parish; (337) 526-1102.

#### Fence building barb, net,

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

#### Bennie's Pressure Washing, we

wash houses, barns, concrete, pool decks and fences, insured, serving Baton Rouge and surrounding area, call for a quote. Bennie Martin, Denham Springs, Livingston Parish; (225) 287-3878.

#### Many years of experience in

installation/repair of agriculture, commercial and residential fencing, fence row clearing, augering, demo/maintenance/repair projects both commercial and residential, call for free estimates. Joe Hensgens, Rayne, Acadia Parish; (985) 992-9119.

#### Fields and pastures mowed,

mulched, cultivated, contoured, aerated, and drained, trees removed, recondition arenas and gravel roads 8" deep, install and repair ponds, culverts, roads, walls, and fences, call for quote. John W Cleary, Hammond, Tangipahoa Parish: (985) 634-0074.

Handyman, sewer, water and air testing, fencing, bushhogging,

#### concrete pouring, drainage and roofing, Livingston Parish and surrounding areas, call for quote. Lattie Martin, Walker, Livingston Parish; (225) 405-5229.

#### NUISANCE ANIMAL REMOVAL

**WANTED:** Hog traps, new or used. Tyrone Dubroc,

used. Tyrone Dubroc, Jackson, East Feliciana Parish; (225) 721-2730.

## STALLION SERVICE

#### Four Foundation Bred stallions,

negative coggins required and vet checked ultrasound, \$800/\$10 mare care. Frederick Rodosta, Opelousas, St. Landry Parish; (337) 331-3151.

#### AQHA 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.

#### AQHA 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, 1,600 hours, \$12,000. Bobby Denton, Jena, LaSalle Parish: (318) 992-4504.

#### John Deere 4020 tractor,

\$4,500. David Fontenot, Ville Platte, Evangeline Parish; (337) 831-8120.

#### IH 1486 with front end loader,

for parts, block cracked during freeze will sell separate, \$5,000 OBO. Garrison Landry, Port Allen, West Baton Rouge Parish; (225) 288-2387.

## **Tractor 250 AS Belarus,** \$2,000. Harding Bordelon,

Moreauville, Avoyelles Parish; (337) 288-2158.

#### 5240 Case IH MAXXUM 4wd

cab with air, great condition, everything works as it should, \$21,000 OBO. John Ray Trahan, Duson, Lafayette Parish; (337) 654-5815.

## **John Deere 4020 diesel, new** injector pump, needs





water pump, 70hp, \$3,500. Robert Humphries, Covington, St. Tammany Parish; (985) 807-4650.

#### 4030 Kubota diesel tractor,

good shape, toolbox, roll bar, good tires, auxiliary plugin, call for pricing. W. J. Mims, Calhoun, Ouachita Parish; (318) 644-2236.

## **WANTED: Massey Ferguson** 245 for parts. Cecil Gassiott,

Woodworth, Rapides Parish; (318) 715-4678.

## **WANTED: Abandoned or** unwanted tractors, any

make, model, or year. Mark Wittliff, Houston, Acadia Parish; (281) 442-5330.

## **VEHICLES**

#### **ATVS**

#### 1979 Red Honda CT90 trail

bike, 1,100 actual mileage, \$1,200. Buck Webb, Choudrant, Lincoln Parish; (318) 768-2881.

#### **BOATS**

**18-foot Grumman Aluminum** canoe, double ended, excellent condition, \$500. James

Payton, Ruston, Jackson Parish; (318) 245-3358.

#### 1996, 17', Sea Ark, Aluminum

Outboard, equipped with depth finder, Johnson 50 Motor, MCLA Trailer included, \$4,500. Terell Broussard, Opelousas, St. Landry Parish; (337) 351-4427.

#### **FARM TRUCKS**

#### 1996 Ford F250 7.3 diesel.

180,000 miles, runs great, automatic, call for pricing. Charles Longino, Natchitoches, Natchitoches Parish; (318) 715-4814.

#### Jeep Wrangler Unlimited

RUBICON 4xe 28,780 miles, clean title, recent service, leather, convertible, powerful 470 torque, loaded, silver, manual transfer case, automatic transmission, towing, \$33,550. EV Gomez, Saint George, East Baton Rouge Parish; (228) 669-1969.

## 1988 Ford 250, 82,412 miles, has a welding bed and with

bottle racks and rack behind cab, new gas tank with two new pumps, 6-cylinder, 4-speed transmission, new clutch, throw out bearing, new alternator, \$4,500 OBO.

Harold Snowden, West Monroe, Ouachita Parish; (318) 355-1797.

#### 1999 Ford Ranger, good farm

truck, runs good, A/C and radio, some body damage, \$2,000 OBO. Patrick, Jennings, Evangeline Parish; (337) 246-3112.

## **2007 F350, 4-door work truck,** runs and pulls, 163k miles, \$4,200 OBO. Patrick.

\$4,200 OBO. Patrick, Jennings, Evangeline Parish; (337) 246-3112.

#### Mazda Protege, 5-speed

manual, 30mpg, good ac and radio, \$2,800 OBO. Patrick, Jennings, Evangeline Parish; (337) 246-3112.



# Dusty miller: A dependable choice for Louisiana's cool-season gardens

With eye-catching, silvery foliage that's velvet-soft to the touch, dusty miller is a unique plant. Add to that the fact that it's easy to care for and readily survives frosty winter temperatures, and you've got a recipe for a winning plant for cool-season landscapes.

That was the thinking of LSU AgCenter horticulturists when they named dusty miller a Louisiana Super Plant for 2025.

Dusty miller (Centaurea cineraria) is a long-standing staple of Louisiana gardens. AgCenter horticulturist Jason Stagg calls it "one of the best plants to use for fall and winter color."

"It has this incredible silver color, which is often hard to find in the landscape in Louisiana, and it lasts so long," he said.

Dusty miller typically starts showing up in garden centers in October. Plant it this month, and it'll carry you through the entire cool season — through March and beyond. While most folks treat it as an annual, dusty miller — which is native to the Mediterranean — can perennialize and live multiple years in warm climates like ours.

A versatile plant, dusty miller works well in beds, along borders and in containers. It has a low, rounded growth habit, reaching 1 to 2 feet high and wide at most.

Dusty miller's silver-to-white, fuzzy, lobed foliage brings interesting visual and textural contrasts to the landscape. Its cool hues pop, serving as a pleasing foil to more vibrant flowers and foliage sharing bed space with it. Because of their light color, dusty miller leaves can even appear to glow at night.

The soft feel of dusty miller isn't just nice to run your fingers over. It also is a turnoff for hungry deer, which don't like to eat leaves with noticeable textures.

Although dusty miller is grown for its attractive foliage, it can begin to produce small, yellow blooms as spring approaches. Many gardeners clip these flower buds to avoid detracting from the foliage — or take them as a sign that it's time to remove the plants from the garden.

Ideally, dusty miller should be planted in full sun, which enhances its silvery tones. But part sun locations are fine, too.

"Planting this in full shade is not really the best idea, as it's going to struggle and get leggy," Stagg said.

Dusty miller is a low-maintenance plant that usually doesn't need fertilizer or any special care. Once established, it's drought tolerant, and it can handle light frosts and freezes.

For a twist on this classic cool-season plant, Stagg suggests trying out New Look, a newer cultivar.

"The larger leaves have margins that are smoother and not as highly serrated as the older cultivar, which is called Silverdust," he said. "Cirrus is another cultivar with less dramatic leaf serration. They're all great plants."

Dusty miller is just one of many plants that have been crowned Louisiana Super Plants — a designation reserved for tough, beautiful plants that are university tested and industry approved. To learn more about the program, visit www.LSUAgCenter.com/SuperPlants.

By Olivia McClure

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# roducer Spotlight



Rooted in Southern tradition, Mamoo's Camp Kitchen serves up authentic home-cooked favorites made with love. From slow-smoked meats and handcrafted seasonings to fresh, homemade sides, Mamoo's delivers true Louisiana flavor — wherever you gather.

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## CERTIFIED DELICIOUS RECIPES



#### CAJUN CHICKEN SPAGHETTI BAKE

Submitted by Tony Chachere's Creole Foods www.tonychachere.com

#### INGREDIENTS

2 Tbsp extra virgin olive oil

1 lb boneless chicken tenderloins, cubed

2 Tbsp Tony's Original Creole Seasoning

1 Tbsp garlic powder

1 package spaghetti pasta noodles

1 small onion, chopped

1 orange bell pepper, chopped (optional)

1 can (10 oz) cream of mushroom

1 cup chicken broth

1 can (10 oz) Rotel tomatoes

1 cup colby jack cheese, shredded

1 cup cheddar cheese, shredded

1/2 cup cheddar cheese for mixture

#### **INSTRUCTIONS**

- 1. Preheat oven to 350°F.
- 2. Bring a pot of water to a boil and cook spaghetti noodles as instructed on the package
- Chop onions and bell pepper and sauté in a large oven-safe skillet with olive oil.
- Chop and season chicken with Tony's Original Creole Seasoning and garlic powder.
- Once vegetables are soft, add chicken and chicken broth and continue sautéing.
- Add Rotel and cream of mushroom, mix well and adjust seasoning as desired.
- 7. Add mixture to cooked spaghetti and mix well.
- Top with colby-jack and cheddar cheese.
- Bake for 20 minutes.
- Add garnish of parsley or green onions and



#### SEAFOOD MAQUE CHOUX

Submitted by Cajun Country Rice www.cajuncountryrice.com

#### **INGREDIENTS**

3 cans whole kernel corn, drained

2 large onions, diced

1 clove garlic, diced

1 medium bell pepper, diced

1 can Rotel tomatoes

½ cup butter

 $1\,\%$  cups heavy whipping cream

1 Tbsp sugar

1 tsp Tabasco

Salt, pepper and Cajun seasonings to taste 1 lb crawfish tails, peeled and deveined shrimp or

lump crabmeat, or all if desired

½ cup green onions, chopped

3 cups Cajun Country Rice, cooked

#### INSTRUCTIONS

- Place onions, garlic and bell peppers in a medium saucepan with 1/2 cup butter and saute on medium heat, stirring slowly until vegetables are clear.
- Add Rotel and saute for another 10 minutes.
- Add in corn, sugar, Tabasco and seasoning to taste.
- Stir well and simmer on medium heat for 30 minutes.
- Add whipping cream, cover and let simmer on low heat for 15 minutes, stirring occasionally
- Add seafood of choice, stir to mix well, then cover and let simmer over medium heat for
- Serve over Cajun Country Rice as a main



#### CAJUN CHEDDAR LOAF

Submitted by Punch Daddy Seasonings punchdaddy.wordpress.com

#### **INGREDIENTS**

 $\frac{1}{2}$  cup water, warm (105° - 115°F)

 $1 \frac{1}{2}$  cups whole milk, warm (105° - 115°F)

2 packs active dry yeast

1/3 cup sugar

1 tsp salt

1/4 cup butter, melted

2 Tbsp Punch Daddy Cajun Seasoning

6 oz extra sharp cheddar, shredded

6 Cups all purpose flour (divided)

2 Tbsp butter, melted

#### **INSTRUCTIONS**

- In the bowl of a stand mixer or large metal bowl, combine the warm water and milk with the yeast and sugar. Set aside until the yeast begins to activate and bubble.
- Add the melted butter, salt, Punch Daddy Cajun Seasoning, egg, and shredded cheese. Stir to thoroughly combine.
- Add 5 cups all-purpose flour and stir until a dough is formed.
- Begin kneading the dough and adding more flour as needed until the dough is no longer sticky and pulls away from the sides of the bowl. Knead for a total of 10 minutes
- Transfer the dough to a oiled metal bowl and cover to proof for 1 hour or until doubled in
- Grease two 9×5" loaf pans and preheat oven 6. to 375°F.
- Punch down the dough, split it in half, and form into 2 loaf-shapes. Place each loaf into a pan and allow to rise again for an hour, or until doubled in size.
- Place the pans in the middle of the oven and bake 27-30 minutes. Crust should be a rich golden brown and the bottom should sound hollow when tapped.
- Remove from pans and allow to cool completely on a rack.

## Upcoming Events



C'est Bon Seasoning Fest

October 31st - November 2nd









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# Sprout Community Farm on the Lafitte Greenway Begins Next Phase of Construction

Nearly one year after breaking ground on the Sprout Community Farm on the Lafitte Greenway, the farm site is entering the next phase of construction. All involved community partners, including Sprout, New Orleans Recreation Department (NORD), and Lafitte Greenway Partnership, have approved final construction plans for the full buildout of the new community space

With the new phase of construction underway, the site is undergoing improvements such as water and electricity installation in October. Other upcoming developments this fall will include new pathways and fencing. Following this, community garden beds, a greenhouse, and solar lighting will be installed. Last fall,

the Small Center for Collaborative Design collaborated with Sprout to build the community education shade structure and pavilion to house community classes and events.

"This is such an incredible milestone for Sprout. This project has been so special and we can't wait to continue growing into the space," said Mina Seck, Sprout's Community Food Director.

Sprout, a local food justice and sustainable agriculture nonprofit, has run a community garden at the nearby ReFresh Project for the past ten years. Ultimately, the garden will move to the footprint of this new farm site, providing Sprout with more physical growing space and

additional opportunities for Sprout and partners to host programs on the farm.

"Investing in spaces like this farm is really about investing in our neighborhoods," said Larry Barabino, Jr., CEO of the New Orleans Recreation Development Commission "It's about turning shared spaces into places that truly serve the community, where people can come

together, support one another, and build something meaningful."

"When the Lafitte Greenway Master Plan was adopted in 2013, it called for a new community garden on the Greenway between Dorgenois and Rocheblave. We are excited to partner with Sprout to bring that dream into reality this fall and further develop the Lafitte Greenway into a world-class public space," said Jason Neville, Executive Director of Lafitte Greenway Partnership.

The new Sprout Community Farm is located on the Lafitte Greenway between N. Dorgenois and Rocheblave Streets near local businesses Hey Cafe, Skeeta Hawk, and Flour Moon Bagels. Sprout and partners plan for all construction to be completed by the end of 2026.

Sprout started when neighbors and market gardeners came together to provide community space and training to grow food. We support established and developing small-scale and sustainable farmers in Louisiana with technical and social support to create a more equipped network of growers in Louisiana and access to community food systems. Sprout strives for community control of food and to address access problems by giving locals a stake in their own food. By creating communities that revolve around local food, we take a holistic approach to nutritional justice, encouraging people to enjoy every step of the process.





# EBR Master Gardeners present programs on weeds, fruit trees Oct. 23

The East Baton Rouge Master Gardeners are offering two programs to help you enjoy your gardens this autumn: "Stop the Weeds" and "Fruit Trees." They will be held at the Main Library at 7711 Goodwood Blvd. on Thursday, Oct. 23.

Master Gardener Carol Paine is a retired science and home economics teacher who loves sharing information with the public. She will divulge the many ways to make weeds less of a problem in gardens. Paine will discuss various chemicals that can be used and how to choose the safest course of action.

Fall is the time to plant fruit trees. In Baton Rouge we are fortunate to be able to

produce many types of fruits that provide nutrition and gardening enjoyment. Advanced Master Gardener Leo Broders will give great advice on which trees to choose, where to plant them and how to care for them.

The programs will begin promptly at 6:30 p.m. They are free and open to the public.

For more information on the 2025 Library Series and other outreach activities visit the EBRMGA website: https://ebrmg.wildapricot.org.



# Empower Your Future with The Walls Project's Agroforestry Apprenticeship Program 2026







Are you passionate about the environment and ready to make a real difference? The Walls Project's Agroforestry Apprenticeship Program for 2026 could be your perfect opportunity! This innovative program gives apprentices the space to dive into horticulture, arboriculture, and green infrastructure while gaining handson experience and valuable skills that can shape a sustainable future.

## What is the Agroforestry Apprenticeship Program?

The Walls Project's Agroforestry Apprenticeship Program is a year-long initiative aimed at equipping individuals with vital knowledge and skills in horticulture, arboriculture, green infrastructure, and community-driven programming. This hands-on, technical training program is offered in partnership with Baton Rouge Green and leading local experts in green industries. Apprentices receive training, education, and field experiences from Baton Roots Community Farm, Baton Rouge Green, and additional partners.

Apprentices engage in a variety of activities throughout the year, including planting trees, maintaining community gardens, and assisting with educational outreach programs. This hands-on experience is crucial for anyone eager to make their mark in the green workforce or expand their knowledge of sustainable practices.

#### Skills You Will Acquire

During your apprenticeship, you will develop a diverse set of skills essential for a successful career in the green sector. Key areas of focus include:

#### Horticulture

You will explore the science and art of growing fruits, vegetables, flowers, and ornamental plants. You will learn about plant nutrition, pest management, and effective soil practices. This will not only empower you to help produce healthy plants but will also enhance local food security. Apprentices will take a 10-week course in horticulture, preparing them for certification exams and licensure as a landscape horticulturist by the Louisiana Department of Agriculture and Forestry.

#### Arboriculture

In this area, you'll learn about tree care and management. Skills such as tree identification, pruning techniques, and disease treatment will be at the forefront. Did you know that urban trees can reduce city temperatures by up to 10 degrees Fahrenheit, leading to lower energy costs? Understanding these principles is essential for maintaining healthy urban forests and vibrant community green spaces. Apprentices will take a 12-week course in arboriculture, preparing them for certification exams and licensure as an arborist by the Louisiana Department of Agriculture and Forestry.

#### **Green Infrastructure**

Green infrastructure focuses on natural systems that provide ecological benefits. You will discover how to create green roofs, rain gardens, and other sustainable practices that improve urban resilience and reduce stormwater runoff. According to the EPA, green infrastructure practices can reduce stormwater runoff by 30-50%, leading to cleaner waters and healthier communities. Apprentices will participate in green infrastructure projects through fieldwork with Baton Roots and Baton Rouge Green.

#### **Community Engagement**

One of the most rewarding aspects of the Agroforestry Apprenticeship Program is community engagement. Throughout the year, you will participate in various community-focused initiatives. This experience not only allows you to apply your skills in real-life projects but also helps build strong connections with local residents.

Whether planting trees in a neighborhood park or conducting workshops on sustainable practices, your contributions will enhance the quality of life in Baton Rouge. This community connection creates a fulfilling experience and equips you with valuable networking opportunities. Apprentices support community programs like MLK Festival of Service, Earth Day, Summerfest, Fall Fest, and monthly Sow Good Saturdays at Baton Roots Community

#### **Certifications and Career Opportunities**

By the end of the 12-month program, apprentices will have acquired new skills and certifications that pave the way for a successful career in the green workforce. These credentials are highly regarded in the industry, enhancing your chances of securing a job in horticulture, arboriculture, or environmental management.

Moreover, the hands-on experience gained during the apprenticeship will make you stand

out among applicants. A recent survey revealed that 73% of employers prefer candidates with practical experience in sustainability. This makes the Agroforestry Apprenticeship Program an excellent springboard for your career.

#### Additional Information About the Program:

- To apply you must be eligible to work in the United States and be 18+ years old
- Must commit to the full length of the program (12 months), classes are in person on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays from 9 AM to 4:30 PM with a 1-hour lunch break (lunch is not provided).
- Currently enrolled university students are not eligible for the apprenticeship program.

#### Apprentices are:

- Prepared for state licensure exams in horticulture and arboriculture. Certification prep courses and exam fees are paid for through the program.
- Receive the following trainings: OSHA PPE, DOTD Roadside Safety, Red Cross CPR/ AED
- Provided with PPE (personal protective equipment) and tools while on job sites.
   Apprentices are responsible for providing their own footwear and appropriate clothing for outdoor work.
- Connected to local and regional employers in green careers, provided support in networking and job applications.

#### How to Apply

Applications are now open for the 2026 cohort of The Walls Project's Agroforestry Apprenticeship Program! If you are eager to learn and work in the green sector, this is your chance.

To apply, complete the application form and be sure to emphasize your passion for agriculture, horticulture, and community involvement in your application. If you have questions while completing your application, please reach out to Baton Roots Associate Director SK Groll at sk@thewallsproject.org.

Scan to apply!



# Managing Stress During Harvest Season

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Stay Active

Engage in physical activity daily, even if it's just a short walk or some stretching. Just 20 minutes of exercise can significantly enhance your physical and mental health, helping you tackle the day's challenges with renewed vigor.

Plan and Communicate

Taking a few minutes to plan your day can save hours of frustration later. Organize your tasks, set priorities, and avoid procrastination. Clear communication is essential—whether with your team or family—to ensure everyone is aligned and misunderstandings are minimized.

Take Breaks

Regular breaks are crucial for recharging. Short breaks every hour can refresh your mind and body. Remember, working non-stop doesn't equate to increased productivity. Allow yourself time to relax and involve your family in fun activities to boost morale and energy.

Maintain Perspective
Focus on what you can control. Equipment failures or unfavorable weather may arise, but staying flexible and celebrating achievements can help maintain a positive outlook. Take time to connect with family and community, sharing meals or simply checking in with each other.

Reflect and Seek Support

Recognize and acknowledge your emotions.
Checking in with yourself and others
can prevent conflicts and promote a healthier
environment. If stress becomes overwhelming,
don't hesitate to reach out to friends, family, or
professionals for support. Remember, your wellbeing is the farm's most valuable asset.

Utilizing these strategies may not eliminate all harvest-related stress, but they can greatly reduce it, benefiting both your operation and your health. If you or someone you know needs assistance, resources are available at www.ldaf. la.gov/about/community/stay-rooted or by calling (800) FARM-AID. Louisiana residents may also dial 988 to be connected with a specialist from a local call center who will listen, provide support, and connect you with local resources. For those considering self-harm, the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline is available at (800) 785-2433. Prioritize your health—it's crucial for a successful harvest and a thriving future.

## SU Ag Center Relaunches Free Teletherapy Services for Rural Communities



The Southern University Ag Center's free virtual counseling program "Rural Connections for Rural Resilience," has reopened for enrollment.

The program, which is open to adults, aims to combat alarming mental health trends by providing free teletherapy services to rural communities where access to mental health services is often limited due to geographical barriers.

According to the National Rural Health Association (NRHA), suicide rates are nearly 50% higher in rural areas compared to urban areas.

The program will run on a rolling basis until July 15, 2026, offering eight free counseling sessions with licensed mental health professionals through a collaboration with Soundminds Counseling. To sign up for the Rural Connections for Rural Resilience program visit, http://bit.ly/4pvD37W.



## Louisiana Geaux Book

The Louisiana Department of Agriculture & Forestry is proud to offer the Geaux Book for farmers, ranchers, and landowners in Louisiana. It's a great place to gather all personal, medical, and business contacts and information in one place. In the unfortunate case of a family illness, storm, or other emergency, you'll have everything you need in a single unified document.

The Geaux Book is a pre-formatted Excel spreadsheet, but it can be easily modified to fit your family's operation. Simply fill out the parts that work for you and add other sections as needed.





Scan to download the Geaux Book

## Delta farmer turns interest in drones into thriving business



When Kam Harper saw two smiling young farmers holding their first ag drone on a magazine cover, he didn't solely see new technology; he also saw a business opportunity. Just three years later, Harper's Macon Ridge Specialty Drone Service has sprayed more than 120,000 acres of Louisiana farmland.

At the time, Harper was making his way in the ag industry as a farm manager and immediately recognized the benefits an ag spray drone could have in the tree-lined fields of northeastern Louisiana. Ultimately though, his farm's owner wasn't ready to make the investment in a drone, so Harper sought out the solution himself.

"I proposed to him, 'Well, I'll buy one, spray for you, and I'll spray on the side. And we'll just see how it works," Harper said. "I bought the drone, and about three months into it, I was so busy that I couldn't keep up."

In less than a year, Harper had left the farm he was managing and began a full-time career spraying fields with his ag drone. "Honestly after that, the next few years are just kind of a blur," he said.

Harper's business quickly built a laundry list of offerings, from ag drone sales and service to custom-built trailers, game retrieval and custom-spraying. In the same period, Harper's former farm owner retired, and he added farming his own ground and custom-farming to the list.

Business diversification and expansion are common markers of a startup but also demonstrate the limits a young farmer must push to make a career in agriculture a reality.

"I was going into men's shops, door to door, not fully begging, but definitely asking, 'Would you be willing to let me spray 50 acres? Just give me 50 acres to spray and compare to what the plane's doing or what you're doing with the ground rig," Harper said.

Harper said to some extent, he's never stopped asking. Showing the potential a drone could have in the Mississippi Delta, even alongside traditional spray methods, has been a slow sell.

"Over time, on a much smaller scale than what's happening in the Midwest, I do see more men getting into drone work here. I see more men interested in having drones on their own farm," Harper said. "How my business has grown in the last few years with the acres covered is a testament to the fact that it's beginning to be a more accepted practice."



In the first full year running his business, Harper sprayed 20,000 acres, with 30,000 the next year and is on a trajectory to reach 60,000 in 2025. "We really jumped out there this year in terms of growth," he said. "The Lord has definitely blessed us."

#### Industry in infancy

Drone technology is one of the fastest-growing industries in agriculture, and as technology changes and progresses, growing pains are inevitable.

"Today, we are still in the infancy of spraydrone technology in the industry as a whole in the United States," Harper said. "It's evolved so much in the last five years. It's hard for me to even think about it."

Many of Harper's employees and customers have never even seen the DJI T30 drone he began his business with in 2022. In just three years, the model is already all but obsolete.

"I remember the first day that I sprayed 50 acres with a T30 and how big of a deal that was," Harper said. "It's definitely evolved, and it's continuing to evolve. It's a little challenging to stay on top of it, because it's going so fast."

Business owners and young startups aren't the only buyers interested in ag drone technology, either. Harper sold over 30 ag spray drones in 2024, and he estimates about 75% of those were to private farmers looking for their own on-farm solutions.

"The way the drones are going, they're getting so big now," Harper said. "If it progresses like that ... then really the fields that crop dusters are in or the fields that are wide open, I think we can play in those same fields and be competitive."

#### Ag drone skills are built on basics

Harper's Macon Ridge Specialty Drone Service often provides a jumping-off point for new drone owners getting in to the fast-paced flood of ever-changing drone tech. His best advice is to focus on the basics and keep it simple.



"You've just got to have what's necessary to go and do the job. You don't need a bunch of extras," Harper said. "That has been my mantra."

While companies gain clout with stacked drone trailers and next-level accessories, prioritizing a few key essentials can keep the operation rolling without overinvesting.

"With drone trailers, I invite guys to come who are interested in it. They want to start a business, and their biggest question is, 'what do I need?'" Harper said. "All I can tell them is learn from my mistakes. Come spend a day with one of my crews, and look at our trailer, look at our setup to figure out what works for them."

For Harper, the most important item on the shopping list, aside from the drone itself, is a generator capable of quickly and efficiently charging batteries on the go.

"Most every spray drone, whether it's a DJI or a Helio or whatever it is, it's going to take a large amount of running watts to make those battery chargers be efficient," he said. "After you've got the generator problem fixed, the setup of the trailer is more about plumbing and providing a space to mix chemicals safely."

Knowledge of safely mixing and spraying ag chemicals, as well as having a good workflow, are critical components for operating a spray drone well.

"What I've come to find is a lot of guys that are getting into this business, they didn't grow up on a farm, and they've not mixed chemicals," Harper said. "Spraying is foreign to them, so they start with a learning curve despite being good with the tech."

Once the drone is secured, trailer built to spec and spray knowledge checked, Harper said a good drone owner tailors their gear and setup to the type of drone spraying they intend to do.

"I guess my biggest advice, after you establish a generator and how to effectively charge batteries, we need to look at setting up in a way that's going to be most efficient for the way you're spraying," Harper said. "So many people haven't considered the market that interests them most, and in my opinion, you need to know the environment before you dive in."

By: Raney Rapp, Delta Farm Press

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# USDA announces Specialty Crop Block Grant Program funding awarded to Louisiana

The U.S. Department of Agriculture's (USDA) Agricultural Marketing Service has awarded the Louisiana Department of Agriculture and Forestry (LDAF) over \$386,000 in Fiscal Year 2025 Specialty Crop Block Grant Program (SCBGP) funding. This USDA grant will enable the LDAF to fund projects that enhance the competitiveness of specialty crops in the state and support specialty crop growers through marketing, education, and research initiatives. Specialty crops include "fruits, vegetables, tree nuts, dried fruits, horticulture and nursery crops, including floriculture," as defined by the USDA.

LDAF conducted a competitive application process at the beginning of the year, selecting the 2025 recipient projects to include in LDAF's state plan grant application. Individual Louisiana projects that this grant award will fund are as follows:

- Reducing Microbial Loads and Maintaining the Quality of Blueberries Through Combined Airborne Ultrasonic and Freezing Technology.
- 2. "Ask for Louisiana Strawberries" Influencer Marketing Campaign.
- 3. Establishment of a Model Agritourism Setup at the LSU AgCenter Dean Lee Research and Extension Center.
- 4. Addressing Fresh Produce Safety Concerns with Non-Thermal Plasma-Activated Water.
- 5. Improving Disease Detection, Forecasting, and Developing Best Management Practices to Mitigate Neopestalotiopsis Leaf, Fruit and Crown Disease of Strawberry.

6. Evaluation of Ginger Family (Ginger, Turmeric, Galangal) Cultivars for Louisiana Horticulture Growers and Nurseries.

"Louisiana boasts one of the most unique and distinctive food cultures in the country, with specialty crops playing a vital role in our agricultural landscape. The Specialty Crop Block Grant funds serve as an excellent tool to enhance the competitiveness of Louisiana's specialty crops through research and development, marketing and promotion, and addressing the challenges faced by our producers," said LDAF Commissioner Mike Strain, DVM. "Through this grant award, we aim to foster innovation and economic growth for our specialty crops while ensuring their ongoing development and success in the state."

The funding to Louisiana is part of a total \$72.9 million in grant funding awarded to 56 states and territories for 586 projects through the Specialty Crop Block Grant Program (SCBGP). Funded project types include improving the capacity of all entities in the specialty crop distribution chain related to food safety, specialty crop research, developing new and improved seed varieties and specialty crops, pest and disease control; increasing child and adult nutrition knowledge and consumption of specialty crops; and improving efficiency and reducing costs of distribution systems.

Since 2006, SCBGP has awarded over \$1 billion to 13,030 projects. Funding for SCBGP is authorized by the 2018 Farm Bill.

LDAF anticipates opening the request for new specialty crop project proposals in January 2026. For more information on the Louisiana Specialty Crop Block Grant Program, call SCBGP director Michelle Estay at 985-345-9483 or email mestay@ldaf.state.la.us

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