Nutrition's Role in Sustainable Livestock Production Practices

A workshop series for on pasture management and infrastructure and the nutritional needs of livestock raised on pasture



All workshops held in the training room at Farm Credit East, 240 S Rd. Enfield CT

FIRST WORKSHOP – Monday, February 11, 2019 8:30 am to 1 pm

(Snow date: Wed. Feb. 13th - All who are registered will receive an email notification by 5pm the previous day)

Improving existing pastures and establishing new pasture

Register online at: https://goo.gl/forms/sFIqmM2oxieDkTdg2 or email Jean.king@uconn.edu

A Certificate of Participation will be given to those who meet the requirements. See website for more details.

Richard Kersbergen, University of Maine

Rick is an Extension Professor with the University of Maine Cooperative Extension and a Certified Crop Adviser (CCA) with the Agronomy Society of America. His focus for teaching and research is on forage crops, including pasture, hay and summer annuals. Rick works closely with the Maine Grass Farmers Network, the Northeast Pasture Consortium, and serves as an instructor in the NRCS Pasture Ecology II class. Most recently, Rick has received several grants investigating reduced tillage and cover cropping strategies in corn silage systems.

Kip Kolesinskas, University of Connecticut

Kip is a Consulting Conservation Scientist. His current projects include assisting agencies, NGO's, and private individuals with farmland protection, land access and affordability for new and beginning farmers, farmland restoration, and climate change adaptation strategies. He is a member of the CT Working Lands Alliance Steering Committee, and the Connecticut Council on Environmental Quality. Formerly, a USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service State Soil Scientist for Connecticut and Rhode Island, Kip worked extensively with farmers, educators, government and nonprofits to help them protect farmland and wetlands, and use soils information to make better informed land use decisions.

Carl Majewski, University of New Hampshire

Carl has been with UNH Extension since 2002. His work has focused on forage and field crop production for dairy and livestock operations across the state. His interests include managing soils in fields and pastures to keep them healthy and productive, exploring the use of new forage crops, and promoting IPM practices for corn and forages. Over the years, Carl's been involved in programs focusing on pasture management, corn and forage production, and incorporating cover crops and no-till planting practices into crop rotations.

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