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Dedication and Tour Set for New Kids Walking Trail On Pollinators in Bangor, MI

A new outdoor walking trail to teach school kids about wildflowers, pollinators and blueberries will officially open at ceremonies on **September 14, 2018 at 11 a.m. in Bangor, Michigan.**

90 Fifth Graders from Bangor Elementary School will be on hand to walk the trail and visit live exhibitors for the official opening.

The dedication and tour will take place at the facility located at **34681 62nd Street, just south of Bangor.** Bees, Please is located near the Moss Funnel Farms site at 61687 34th avenue in Bangor.

Dedication remarks will be delivered by Dr. Adam Ingrao, a researcher from the Entomology Department Staff at Michigan State University who is also Director of MSU's *Heroes to Hives* project connecting military veterans to beekeeping.

The "Bees, Please!" trail and education center was developed by Moss Funnel Farms with a demonstration grant from the U.S. Dept. of Agriculture's SARE research and demonstration program. The trail is located in a two acre wildflower field funded in part by USDA's Natural Resource and Conservation Service.

The *Bees, Please!* trail is also adjacent to a blueberry patch on the farm. The 1/6 mile trail has 10 educational stations that explain how blueberries benefit from pollinators like bees and how wildflowers attract bees to the area.

Moss Funnel Farms Project Manager Frank Corrado said the educational materials were developed with technical input from MSU and Chicago's Peggy Notebaert Nature Museum. ##

Corrado said that *the Bees, Please!* outdoor facility “has been designed and built for visits by individuals, families and groups year round.” Hours are sunrise to sunset daily. ##