

## **SARE Project 18-320**

### **Developing Markets for Warm Season Grass within the Pennsylvania Farm Community**

#### **Warm Season Grass Poultry Bedding**

Material is processed to less than 1.5" in length with  $\frac{3}{4}$ " screen in a hammer mill. A cyclone separator is attached to the mill discharge to remove dust.

It is packaged in 30 lb. bags or 200 lb. super sacks

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### Advantages of Warm-Season Grass for Poultry Bedding

A photograph showing several yellow chicks standing on a bed of straw bedding. The chicks are fluffy and have orange feet. The straw is light brown and appears dry and clean.

Lightweight  
Locally produced  
Free of pesticides  
Close to neutral PH  
Useful as a fertilizer  
Soft and compressible  
Environmentally friendly  
Low thermal conductivity  
Users say it reduces odor  
Medium particle size reduces caking  
Highly absorbent, yet can dry rapidly  
Used in Harrisburg Farm Show poultry cages

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