State awarded $9.2 million for conservation projects near military bases

Projects will protect farms, forests, plus training areas for Marines, Air Force

The N.C. Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services has secured $9.2 million in federal funding to protect land from development and maintain agricultural, forestry and military uses.

The funding will support conservation efforts by the Eastern North Carolina Sentinel Landscape Partnership, which includes the NCDA&CS, the Army, Marine Corps, Air Force, other federal and state agencies, local governments and nonprofit organizations.

“The Sentinel Landscape Partnership will use this grant to protect farms and forests that are vital to relieving encroachment on military training areas and airspace,” said Agriculture Commissioner Steve Troxler. “Working with willing landowners, this effort will establish conservation easements and management programs on high-priority lands to protect farms, forests and our military infrastructure. These projects will benefit both the military and the local community.”

The funding was awarded through a biennial competition known as the REPI Challenge, which is operated by the Department of Defense’s Readiness and Environmental Protection Integration Program. North Carolina topped nine other states in the competition.

Of the $9.2 million, $5.8 million will be used by the Marine Corps to establish an easement and support the creation of habitat for the red-cockaded woodpecker on more than 12,100 acres of state-owned land. This will free up Marine Corps lands for training.

The Air Force will use the remaining $3.4 million to protect more than 4,500 acres of high-priority land necessary to maintain training airspace for the Dare County Range, the primary training range for F-15E aircraft crews at Seymour Johnson Air Force Base in Goldsboro.

The REPI award will be matched with funds from the U.S. Department of Agriculture’s Natural Resources Conservation Service, the Air Force, the Marine Corps, the N.C. Wildlife Resources Commission and the N.C. Agricultural Development and Farmland Preservation Trust Fund.

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From the tractor by Agriculture Commissioner Steve Troxler

Greenhouse Grower magazine recently released its list of top 100 growers in the United States and four North Carolina greenhouse and nursery operations were included. This speaks well for our greenhouse industry, and is a reflection on the health of our state’s green industry as a whole.

Making the list are Metrolina Greenhouses of Huntersville at No. 6, Van Wingarden International of Mills River at No. 47, Rockwell Farms of Rockwell at No. 54 and Baucom’s Nursery of Charlotte at No. 81.

It is impressive to make the list, but it is also a good sign that Metrolina, Van Wingarden and Baucon’s Nursery also moved up in their rankings from 2016, signifying growth in their individual businesses.

Two other U.S. companies on the list also have large operations in Western North Carolina, which contribute to their success. Those include No. 2 on the list, Costa Farms based out of Florida, and Youngs Plant Farm based in Alabama, which is No. 40 on the list.

It is not surprising to find this kind of business diversification given the great production climate our state has, and its central location that makes for easy distribution along the East Coast.

The article noted that the businesses on the list represent 60 percent of the industry, based on the 409 million square feet of total greenhouse space included on the U.S. Department of Agriculture’s 2015 Floriculture Crops Summary.

North Carolina’s greenhouse sector of the industry faced better during the recession, but the rest of the green industry took a
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est industry, with an economic impact of $84 billion. The military is second by $66 billion. The funding for all services that week is called the Sentinel Landscape Partnership will help both, Trotler said. “The partnership will help ensure farmers and forest owners maintain their livelihoods, wildlife habitats and natural resources are protected, and compatible uses for military training and operations are provided,” he said.

In 2016, the federal government designated 33 counties as the Eastern North Carolina Sentinel Landscape Partnership. The designation is part of a joint federal partnership with the wildlife departments of Agriculture, Interior and Defense that aims to strengthen farms, ranches and forests while conserving habitat and natural resources and protecting vital training grounds for military installations. North Carolina is the only state to have multiple military branches, military installations and counties named as part of the designation.

Agronomic Services Section of the department’s Agronomic Services Division. They provide advice on crop fertilization, nutrient management, lime needs, soil testing, plant tissue analysis, use of animal wastes and composts, nematode analysis, and testing of source water and livestock feed. To find your local agricultural economist, go to www.ncagr.com/agronomi/rahome.htm.

Growers with nematode-specific concerns or questions can contact Ye at 919-733-2655 or by email at weimin.ye@ncagr.gov.

The N.C. Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services is warning sweet potato growers about an emerging root-knot nematode, Meloidogyne enterolobii, which has been identified in fields in Columbus, Johnston, Wayne and Wilson counties.

“Finding this destructive nematode in the midst of our sweet potato growing belt is worrisome, because of its potential to cause significant damage to the crop if it becomes established,” said Agriculture Commissioner Steve Trotler. “We are the No. 1 producer of sweet potatoes in the U.S., growing more than half of the total U.S. crop. Sweet potatoes generated more than $331 million in cash receipts in 2015, so it is important to our economy.”

Because no resistant varieties of sweet potatoes are available against this root-knot nematode, the use of soil fumigant before planting is recommended, said Dr. Weimin Ye, nematode specialist with the N.C. Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services Division.

In the U.S., this species was first reported in Florida in 2004 and only more recently in North Carolina in 2013,” Ye said. “It is considered one of the most important root-knot nematode species because of its ability to develop on many economically important crops such as tobacco, tomatoes, soybeans, potatoes, corn and other solanaceous crops. This nematode can have a major impact on sweet potato quality, often resulting in a total loss of the crop.”

One Johnston County farmer first noticed a small area of damage in 2015, but the problem spread to about three acres of sweet potatoes in 2016, resulting in a reported total loss of the sweet potatoes, and prompting him to contact his regional agronomist and county extension specialist.

Regional agronomists are part of the Field Services Section of the department’s Agronomic Services Division. They provide advice on crop fertilization, nutrient management, lime needs, soil testing, plant tissue analysis, use of animal wastes and composts, nematode analysis, and testing of source water and livestock feed. To find your local agricultural economist, go to www.ncagr.com/agronomi/rahome.htm.

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Bucolic briefs

Research stations across the state are hosting the following field days:

--- Sandhills Turfgrass Farm Day and Conference, June 14, 8:15 a.m. at the Sandhills Research Station in Jackson Springs. Contact Susan Mills-Lewis, 919-515-3196.

--- N.C. & A&T State University Small Farm Field Day, June 15, 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the N.C. & A&T State University Farm in Greensboro.

--- Landscape Color and Professional Field Day, June 28, 9 a.m. to 4:40 p.m. at the J.C. Raulston Arboretum, Raleigh, Contact Chris Glenn, 919-515-7050.

--- Dairy Research and Extension Workgroup, July 12 at 10 a.m. at the Piedmont Research Station in Salisbury. Contact Teressa Herman, 704-438-7640.

--- Mountain Research Station Field Day, July 18, 1:30 p.m. at the Mountain Research Station in Waynesville. Contact Kalib Rathsaw, 828-436-5934.

--- Organic Grazing Crops Field Day, July 21, 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Upper Coastal Plain Research Station in Rocky Mount. Contact Molly Hamilton, 828-782-5404.

--- NE Ag Expo, July 27, 8 a.m. to noon at the R & R Farms, 166 Riddick Grove Road, Belvidere. Contact Dylan Liles, 252-325-2608.

--- Blacklands Farm Managers Tour, Aug. 2 at Green Valley Farms in Columbia.

--- Apple Field Day, Aug. 3 at Mountain Horticultural Crops Research and Extension Center in Miller River, Contact Jeff Chandler, 828-484-3562.

--- Vegetable Field Day, Aug. 9 at Lake Wheeler Road Field Lab in Raleigh. Contact Rick Brandenburg, 919-515-8878.

--- Tomato Field Day, Aug. 10 at the Mountain Horticultural Crops Research and Extension Center. Contact Jeff Chandler, 828-484-3562

The Leonard-Mohley Small Farms Fund is seeking farmers in Chatham, Durham, Franklin, Gravelyville, Halifax, Nash, Person, Vance, Wake, Warren and Wilson counties, including women in agriculture, to apply for a $5,000 grant to assist with projects such as development or expansion of new sources of agricultural income on their farm. Grant applications are due by July 15. The grant will be awarded Sept. 10 at the 4th Annual “Dinner in the Meadow” farm-to-fork feast held at Meadow Lane Farm near Louisburg. The dinner showcases local foods prepared by 16 North Carolina chefs. For additional information, please contact Ranell Bridges, board member, at 919-495-1305 or email, lmmallfarmfund@gmail.com. More information on the grant and the dinner can be found online at www.DinnerintheMeadow.org. The fund was set up in memory of two farm family members, with proceeds from the dinner and silent auction benefiting the fund. Tickets for the dinner can be purchased at the website.

The Lincoln County Apple Festival is seeking sponsors for this year’s event. The festival is held Sept. 16 from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. in Lincolnton and draws an estimated 80,000 visitors. For more information about sponsorship opportunities, contact Carl Caraluzzi, 828-456-3514.

As a way to help farmers and agricultural workers stay safe at work, the N.C. Department of Labor offers safety videos on a variety of topics through its YouTube channel. Video topics include: preventing green tobacco sickness, hazard communication, tobacco harvester safety, stress, migrant housing requirements, forklift safety, and information about the NCDOL’s Gold Star Growers program. The videos are in English and Spanish to increase understanding of safety hazards and preventing accidents. To learn more about the NCDOL and the Agricultural Safety and Health Bureau, go to www.nclabor.com or call 1-888-NC-LABOR (800-625-2277). NCDOL is also on Facebook and Twitter (@NCDOL).

Beepackers with bees for rent and growers interested in bee pollination services can post their information on the BeeLinked website at www.ncaagc.com/beeLinked. The site is hosted by the N.C. Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services and the N.C. State University Agriculture Program. Anyone interested in seeing their information can do so by filling out an online Submit Your Ad form on the BeeLinked page or by contacting NCDAL&C at 919-233-8214 or by email at NCb honeybees@ncagr.gov or call NCSU at 919-515-1660. The NCDAC&SS Plant Industry Division regulates the movement of agricultural or related items capable of spreading harmful insects, diseases, and other pests. Beepackers participating in this program will be required to comply with all honey and bee industry regulations.

The N.C. Ag Finance Authority provides credit to agriculture in areas where financing is not available at reasonable rates and terms. The agency originates, services and finances farm loans, rural business loans, disaster loans and cotton gin loans. It also offers tax-exempt ag development bonds for agribusiness processing, ag-related manufacturing or ag waste disposal. For more about Ag Finance Authority programs or to request a loan application, call 919-790-3949 or email RequestLoanInfo@ncagr.gov.
Agronomic and production advice helps greenhouse grower

Brenda Blake of Blake Farms in North Wilkesboro is pretty comfortable raising chickens, vegetables and the grain crops that are part of the family farming operation. After all, the Blake family has been in the farming business since 1978, with three generations now actively involved.

But the idea of growing colorful hanging baskets in the family’s former tobacco greenhouses was uncharted territory, even for such a well-diversified, progressive and experienced farm. When the Blakes transformed out of tobacco, the greenhouses sat empty. The family was interested in putting them to use versus having them sit down. Hydroponic lettuce, greenhouse tomatoes, cucumbers and even strawberries were discussed, but did not move past the idea stage, in part due to the perishable nature of produce and the need to have ready customers.

When the farm hosted a regional tour for staff with the N.C. Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services Agronomic Services Division, agronomist Dwayne Tate, who regularly works with the Blakes, asked his coworkers if they had any suggestions for using the greenhouses.

Georgia Love, a senior agronomist with NCDA&CS Agronomic Services Division, suggested growing hanging baskets. Love, Tate and Taylor have advised Blake on her second-year plant venture. Taylor is a nursery and greenhouse area specialized agent with N.C. State University, and Dwayne Tate, NCDA&CS agronomist. Love, Tate and Taylor have advised Blake on her second-year plant venture.

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After growing the spring baskets was a sensation, but the summer season was a bit more challenging. “When the Blakes ventured into growing hanging baskets and bedding plants,” Taylor said. “In a greenhouse environment, getting on an issue quickly can keep a small problem from getting much bigger and costlier.”

NCDA&CS agronomist Tate, enjoys being able to help growers troubleshoot problems and make these types of connections.

“Establishing this new venture, offering fertility advice and even connecting the family with floriculture and greenhouse specialists from N.C. State University Extension,” said Brian Whipker and Amanda Taylor, to provide technical assistance with other production and pest management concerns, Taylor is a nursery and greenhouse area specialized agent serving western N.C. counties. Taylor enjoys being able to help growers troubleshoot problems and make these types of connections.

Start a new business can be daunting, but it also be daunting and intimidating when it is something completely new.

“We were nervous. We called Dwayne a lot and he got this crew up here and they have really helped us,” Blake said. “Without their help, we would have not done this at all. These greenhouses would have probably still been sitting empty. Knowing Georgia love had experience with hanging baskets in this type of greenhouse let me know we could do this, and having on-site consultations from NCDA&CS agronomists and N.C. Cooperative Extension Service specialists has helped us as issues come up have come.”

Tate and Love have continued to support the Blakes through this new venture, offering fertility advice and even connecting the family with floriculture and greenhouse specialists from N.C. State University Extension, such as Brian Whipker and Amanda Taylor provided technical support that was outside the scope of my work expertise. I see my role as a unique family unit,” he said.

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significant bit at housing starts and sales dropped, and consumers scaled back their spending on plants and landscaping.

I am happy to see the green industry rebounding, but we are not back to where we were during the industry’s peak in 2006-2007. With the strong return of home sales, I am optimistic that we will continue growth in all sectors of the green industry. Congratulations to these businesses for being recognized nationally.

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Online mapping tool increases awareness of bee hive locations

Communication is key to any good relationship, including business. FieldWatch, an online mapping service designed to help prevent crop damage and bee deaths due to accidental or unintended pesticide drift, aims to help improve communication between growers, beekeepers and pesticide applicators.

For the past year, department staff, with the help of N.C. State University and N.C. Farm Bureau, have been attending conferences, club meetings and other events to get the word out. And the outreach has worked. In the first year, nearly 1,000 pro-actively grown specialty crops have been registered.

“April marked the one-year anniversary of the program,” said Jason Williams, data steward for FieldWatch for North Carolina. “We are well ahead of other states that have been with the program much longer. We have had some state directors for FieldWatch call to compliment us on our outreach and ask questions on how we were so successful with sign ups, especially among bee keepers.”

“We were concerned that during renewal we would lose a lot of the beekeepers that signed up for BeeCheck, the part of FieldWatch for beekeepers. FieldWatch requires participants to renew annually. But, with only about 50 apiaries through the renewal process, and we’ve gained most of them back by now.” To renew, a hyperlink is sent to the email address provided. Participants click on that link to renew.

Williams also receives phone calls from people who want to sign up but lack access to a computer. He has been able to enroll them right over the phone. “Most people typically have someone in the family with a computer that can help with sign up and, if wanted, sign forms. If not, the process is easy to do over the phone.”

“We are pleased with the response we’ve had so far to the program. Our goal for year two is to increase participation from specialty crop growers and pesticide applicators,” Williams said. “Applicators especially have this idea in their head that this is a regulatory thing. It’s strictly voluntary. We already regulate applicators. FieldWatch is a tool to help them avoid problems. If you don’t sign up on specialty crops or bees, we probably won’t come visit you.”

As for pesticide applicators spraying for mosquitoes, the chemicals used for this can be deadly to bees. With so many apiaries in urban areas, this tool is a great resource.

Frank Fowler, vice president of McTolly Pest Control in Winston-Salem, signed his business up for FieldWatch. He found out about the program at the Winter Pesticide School. “We signed up for it because it is a good fit for us,” Fowler said. “We do a lot of mosquito spraying under our public health license and want to make sure there are no bee hives around when we use foggiers.”

Fowler had not heard of the program until seeing the booth at the training. He was eager to get his company signed up. “Any tool we have that helps beekeepers feel that they are a responsible, environmentally-friendly company is a good thing.”

With the new auxin products being used, which many specialty crops are sensitive to, growers have even more reason to make sure their crop is clearly marked.

Outreach efforts by the Structural Pest Control and Pesticides division contributed to the first year success of DriftWatch.

Conrad Draughn, a tobacco farmer from Mount Airy, recently signed up for DriftWatch, the part of FieldWatch for producers. “I grow 100 acres of tobacco that is sensitive to the new 2,4-D product,” he said. “I wanted to mark my crop because it is sensitive to spraying.” Draughn signed up for DriftWatch after hearing about the program at a Good Agricultural Practices training workshop for tobacco growers. “It was very easy to plot my fields, especially after getting the first outline drawn,” he said, “I could use that to help plot the rest.”

Our goal is to continue our outreach and grow our numbers,” Williams said. “Hopefully year two will have growers and applicators embracing the program just as much as our beekeepers have.

Growers, beekeepers and pesticide users can access DriftWatch and BeeCheck at www.neag.gov/pollinators. The website offers detailed instructions on how to sign up and use the mapping tools. Producers of high value specialty crops, such as tomatoes, tobacco, fruit trees, grapes and vegetables, can map their sites and provide contact information about their operation on DriftWatch. Using BeeCheck, beekeepers map their hives on line using pins and half-acre circles and can choose which hive details to display on the map.

FieldWatch Inc. is a nonprofit company created to help develop and expand the operation of the DriftWatch Specialty Crop Site and BeeCheck Apiary registries. This program was purchased with a grant from the Environmental Trust Fund. It is part of the department’s ongoing efforts to protect and increase valuable pollinators in the state.

To keep up with the latest NCD&A news, follow the N.C. Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services on Facebook or on Twitter @NCAgriculture.

Farmers advised to review farm emergency plans

Active hurricane season predicted

Planning helps farmers protect their families, workers, equipment and buildings, Troxler said. “Livestock operations should maintain emergency plans that address power needs and on-site feed capabilities,” he said. “Also, designers must specify places to relocate animals from low-lying areas. We saw farmers take those precautions before Matthew, and I believe it played a role in reducing animal losses from the storm.”

Farmers and businesses should review insurance policies to ensure they have proper coverage, including wind, hail, flood and catastrophic coverage if necessary. Some coverages takes 30 days to go into effect.

The N.C. Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services has a website, www.ncagr.gov, for disaster, with links and resources for different types of agriculture, businesses and recovery from a disaster. A Farm Emergency Plan Template is available on the site to help organize information that is needed after a disaster.

Horse Events

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Sea Bob Martin Eastern Agricultural Center, Williamsburg, 232-792-5111

June 3 & 4 ......... EHA & NCHA “C” Hunter Horse Show. Contact Wendy Willson, 252-916-3685.
| June 17 & 18  | June’s JHR Open Horse Show. Contact Beth Tew, 252-753-8069 |                                            |
| July 7-9     | Mounted Shooters Shoot for Hope. Contact Pamela Campbell, 540-570-8755 |                                            |
| July 13-15   | Color on the Coast Paint Horse Show. Contact David Linds, 804-350-9753 |                                            |
| July 21-23   | RE Seining Horse Assoc. Main Event & Futurity. Contact Danny Blackburn, 919-669-4986 |                                            |
| July 28-30   | Summer Spectacular Quarter Horse Show. Contact Susan Daniels, 919-894-0600 |                                            |
| Aug. 2-6     | Mid-Atlantic Reining Classic & Summer Slide. Contact Chris Wiley, 804-305-7398 |                                            |
| Aug. 12 & 13 | August’s JHR Open Horse Show. Contact Beth Tew, 252-753-8069 |                                            |
| Aug. 18-20   | Endless Summer Quarter Horse Show. Contact Marla Nijum, 336-334-0342 |                                            |
| Aug. 25-27   | Mounted Shooters State & Regional Championships. Contact Pamela Campbell, 540-570-8785 |                                            |
| Sept. 2 & 3  | NCDCTA Labor of Love Dressage Show. Contact Marty Healy, 352-363-0085 |                                            |
| Sept. 9 & 10 | 10 EHA & NCHA “C” Hunter Horse Show. Contact Wendy Willson, 252-916-3685 |                                            |

Southeastern N.C. Agricultural Events Center. Lumberston, 910-618-5899

June 5 .......... Horse and Tack Auction. Contact Brad Stephens, 252-390-0878.|
| June 9       | Horse and Tack Auction. Contact Brad Stephens, 252-390-0878 |                                            |

Western N.C. 4-H Centers: Fletcher, 828-687-1414

June 15-18 ......... Piedmont Paso Fino Horse Show. Contact Ashley Aldred, 704-776-6717 |                                            |
| June 27-29   | Blue Ridge Classic Horse Show. Contact Elizabeth Holmes, 919-672-3741. |                                            |
| Oct. 5-7    | N.C. Championship Walking Horse Show. Contact Terri Mosley, 336-525-5009. |                                            |

*Shows subject to change. Call before attending. More horse events listed in Bucolic Briefs.