Peak-season soil sampling fees go into effect Nov. 25

Growers are reminded to send in their soil samples to the N.C. Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services Agronomic Services’ Lab by Nov. 24 to avoid peak-season fees. There will be a $4 fee per sample for those received during the lab’s peak-processing time from Nov. 25 through March 31. Samples received before Nov. 25 or after March 31 will be processed for free.

“We implemented the peak-season fee to better manage the processing of soil samples and help ensure growers get their information in time to plan for the upcoming season,” said Agriculture Commissioner Steve Troxler. “Many people turned in their samples earlier, spreading the workload over more weeks and lessening a late rush of samples that created backlogs for testing in the lab.”

The Agronomic Division offers an expedited service on a limited basis. Growers can purchase expedited shippers, which can hold up to 36 soil samples, for $200 each. Each shipper comes with a guaranteed turn-around time of two weeks.

Contact the Agronomic Division at 919-733-2655 for questions about peak-season fees, online sample submission or to purchase expedited shippers.

NC State Fair runs Oct. 16-26 in Raleigh

The 2014 N.C. State Fair starts Oct. 16 and visitors will find many of their old favorites mixed in with a variety of new entertainment and exhibits.

The Neon Anteaters may sound like an emerging rock ‘n’ roll group, but they are actually one of the fair’s newest roaming acts. These purple and blue creatures are quadruped stilt walkers and they will be doing out “slurpy kisses” at the Flower show during their daily strolls.

In Kiddieland, Izzie, a face-painting fairy, will be moving around on Glitter, her bicycle dragon, while stopping to tell stories to fairgoers. Near the rabbit barn, the family-friendly Tumbleweed Crossing Wild West Show featuring special effects, stunt performances and comedy gunfight scenes will perform daily at noon, 3, and 6 p.m., with an additional show at 10 a.m. on Saturdays and Sundays.

The State Fair Junior and open dairy cattle competitions are held the final weekend of the fair.

Farmers should have corn tested for aflatoxin

Agriculture Commissioner Steve Troxler is encouraging farmers to have their corn tested for aflatoxin to prevent contamination of feeds and food.

Aflatoxin is a byproduct of the mold Aspergillus flavus, and can be harmful to both humans and livestock.

“We have six drop-off locations at research stations across the state to make it easy for farmers to submit samples,” Troxler said. “I encourage farmers to take advantage of our testing service to protect feed and food against this mold.”

Some farmers may need to have corn samples tested for crop insurance or quality assurance purposes. These samples must be submitted to a grain marketing location certified by the U.S. Department of Agriculture. The tests cost $22.20 per sample.

From the tractor

by Agriculture Commissioner Steve Troxler

North Carolina’s fair season is hitting the home stretch, and I hope folks have already had the opportunity to visit a county or regional fair. These are fun community events that showcase the talents and skills of residents and also highlight agriculture in the area.

The N.C. Mountain State Fair wrapped up a successful 2014 fair, despite several rain days. While we did not break the overall attendance record, everywhere I went on the grounds, I saw people having a good time. We did have a record Inglis Day, with 3,428 people bringing in five cans of food in exchange for admission to the fair. All food collected is donated to the MANNA Food Bank, which supports 200 partner agencies across 16 Western N.C. counties.

We are proud to be a partner in hunger-relief efforts through the Mountain State Fair and the N.C. State Fair. Food Lion Hunger Relief Day at the N.C. State Fair will be Thursday, Oct. 23. Bring five cans of Food Lion brand food for free admission that day.

The State Fair theme this year is “The October Original,” because this is a truly unique event. Where else can you find so many deep-fried treats, including pigs, agricultural exhibits, art, crafts, tractor pulls, flowers, giant pumpkins, livestock, heritage crafts, rides, activities for the kids, horses, cutting-edge ag equipment and technology, displayed in one place?

I think about everything you can see and do at the State Fair and I believe that all of those things are what make the fair an annual tradition for many people and their families. The fair offers something for everyone.

I personally love all the exhibits and activities in Heritage Circle and the livestock shows. There are so many activities in these areas — tobacco tying contest, storytelling, music, livestock competitions — that I could spend all of my time there and be completely happy. My grandchildren love the rides, games and foods.

And my wife, Sharon, never misses the Village of Yesteryear and its crafters — sometimes visiting more than once or twice.

This year, fairgoers will find many new attractions to join the traditional fair favorites. You can read more about the new items in the State Fair article above and on page 8.

I do want to mention a special exhibit in the North Lobby of the Dorton Arena, highlighting North Carolina’s military role in World War I. We have a long-standing and proud military tradition in this state, and I think visitors will enjoy this exhibit, which coincides with the 100th anniversary of WWI.

Whatever you love about the State Fair, I hope you will join us Oct. 16-26 in Raleigh.
Farmland preservation trust fund announces 2014 grant recipients

The N.C. Agricultural Development and Farmland Preservation Trust Fund recently awarded nearly $2.3 million to help communities across the state protect farmland and promote agricultural enterprises.

These grant recipients were applicants from the trust fund’s Cycle VII request for proposals. Funding resources included statewide general appropriations, Tennessee Valley Authority settlement funds and, for the first time, military funds.

“The trust fund awarded 23 grants for this cycle, including conservation easements, agricultural projects and plans,” Troxler said. “Ours is a new partnership with the military that will protect and enhance the top two economic sectors in North Carolina: agriculture and the military. The trust fund collaborated with the military to support agriculture and agribusiness in areas of the state where military bases and training are located. TVA settlement funds were distributed to a 17-acre project in Western North Carolina.”

Below is a list, by county, of applicants that received grants:

Buncombe:
The Buncombe County Soil and Water Conservation District received $375,000 to assist with the purchase of a perpetual conservation easement on 363 acres of a livestock and poultry farm owned by V. Mac and Peggy Baldwin of Yanceyville.

Cleveland:
The Cleveland County Soil and Water Conservation District received $172,975 toward the purchase of a perpetual conservation easement on 60 acres of a crop and forestry farm owned by Andrew and Jamie Via of Tryon.

Franklin:
The Black Family Land Trust was awarded $143,475 toward the purchase of a 20-year conservation easement on 436 acres of a livestock and horticulture farm owned by Martha and Stephen Lumbly of Raleigh.

Haywood:
- The Haywood County Soil and Water Conservation District was granted $362,500 toward the purchase of a perpetual conservation easement on 100 acres of a livestock and crop farm owned by Andrew and Jamie Francis of Canton.

- The Haywood County Soil and Water Conservation District received $87,500 toward the purchase of a 30-year conservation easement on 100 acres of a livestock and crop farm owned by Austin and Kathy Swanger of Clyde.

- The Southeastern N.C. Resource Conservation and Development Council was awarded $188,500 toward the purchase of a perpetual conservation easement on 80 acres of a livestock and forestry farm owned by Charles and Jack内容...
**USDA designates five coastal counties as disaster areas**

The U.S. Department of Agriculture has designated Pamlico County as a primary natural disaster area because of extensive damage and losses caused by excessive rain and winds that occurred when Hurricane Arthur hit the North Carolina coast on July 3. Farmers, ranchers and the county officials in Bertie, Carteret, Craven and Hyde counties also qualify for assistance because their counties are contiguous.

All counties listed above were designated natural disaster areas on Sept. 10, making all qualified farm operators in the designated areas eligible for low-interest emergency loans from USDA’s Farm Service Agency, provided eligibility requirements are met.

Farmers in eligible counties have eight months from the date of the declaration to apply for loans to help cover part of the preparation and removal costs. FSA will consider each loan application on its own merits, taking into account the extent of losses, security available and repayment ability.

More programs available to assist farmers and ranchers include the Emergency Conservation Program, the Livestock Forage Disaster Program, the Livestock Indemnity Program, the Emergency Assistance for Livestock, Honeybees and Farm-Raised Fish Program, and the Tree Assistance Program. Interested farmers may contact their local USDA Service Center for information on eligibility requirements and application procedures for these and other programs.

More program information is online at http://disaster.fsa.usda.gov.

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**ADFPF grants**

(Cont’d from pg. 2)

- The Lois G. Britt Agribusiness Center at the University of Mount Olive was awarded $192,764 to evaluate and analyze the potential for value-added soybean processing in Eastern North Carolina through the expansion of services offered by Multi Crop Safety Ltd., a specialty crop farm consulting com- pany in Johnston County. The project will serve Alamance, Bladen, Chatham, Cumberland, Duplin, Durham, Edgecombe, Franklin, Harnett, Hoke, Johnston, Jones, Lee, Lenoir, Nash, Orange, Robeson, Sampson, Vance, Wake, Wayne and Wilson counties.
- The University of North Carolina at Asheville Foundation was granted $7,000 to demonstrate the innovative use of perennial crop fields on marginal land to increase small farm profitability. The pro- ject will serve Buncombe, Haywood, Henderson, Madison, Mitchell and Yancey counties.
- The Southwestern N.C. Resource Conservation and Development Council received $23,000 to develop a hurricane and mountain Agriculture Economic Strategy focusing on the needed federal opportunities for farmers in Cherokee, Clay, Graham, Haywood, Jackson, Macon and Swain counties.
- The Swain County Soil and Water Conservation District was awarded $16,000 for the creation of a mobile soils exhibit that will serve as an interactive educational display in order for the public to bet- ter make connections between the conditions of soils and water on quality of life.

The following regional projects will impact the TVA region:

- Henderson County was awarded $60,000 to expand and upgrade a cider facility at McConnell Farms in Hendersonville.
- Jackson County was granted $10,000 to assess whether a viable business model can be developed for new, unique value-added slaughter marketing north Carolina.
- The Mountain Valley Resources Conservation and Development Council was granted $33,000 to install solar water heating systems on dairy farms in Western North Carolina.
- WNC Communities received $25,000 to establish a system to deliver brewers grain as an alternative and cost-saving feed source to local farmers with livestock holdings.
- WNC Communities was awarded $32,500 to fund enhancements and safety upgrades to the WNC Regional Livestock Center in Haywood County. The trust fund was a partner in the construction of the center.

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**Classified Ads**

**SUBMITTING ADS:** Ads are free to NC residents & can be submitted by mail to 1001 Mail Service Center, Raleigh NC 27699-1001; online at www.agreview.org; or by fax to 919-733-5047. Ads must include name, address including zip code, phone number including area code, and price or price range for every item being sold. Deadline for each issue is midnight on the first working day of the month prior to publication.

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**Bees, Supplies & Services For Sale**

**NICK**

N.C. law requires a permit to sell honey bees in N.C. A permit is not required for: The sale of less than 10 bee hives in a calendar year, a one-time going-out-of-business sale of less than 50 hives, or the rearing of Queen bees for purposes to rearing honey bees.

**Beekeeper supplies & hardware, hive bodies, supers, frames, found, outerwear, tools, etc.-$2.50; mated queens. $22.50. Dave Bradley, Nashvillle 225-442-6471.

**Bees, supplies & equipment, tools & equipment, assembl, $1 & up. Etienne Nadeau, Elizabeth City 252-619-7398.**

**Beekeeper supplies, hive bodies, candy, frames, tools & equipment, assembl, $1 & up. Etienne Nadeau, Elizabeth City 252-619-7398.**

**Italian bees w/queen, $29.95, pkgs. $99.50 & up. John Plodger, Trinity 336-476-6137.**

**Bees, 3 lb. pkg., taking orders for 03-15 delivery, $95-105. Larry Tate, Winston-Salem 336-788-4554.**

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**Farmland For Sale**

**MF 30, late model, good tires, $400. R.J. Journigan, Franklinton 919-495-7554.**

**job bale scraper, fl. Mt/Mt, orig. hitch, beam goes under tractor, h.d. rear scrape blade, 3 row scraper, $5,425. E.A. Rollins, Mocksville 336-492-7223.**

**JD 620 scraper, 6 ft, 3 pt. hitch, $13,000. Jim Barlowe, Boomer 828-499-2100.**

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**FARM EQUIPMENT**

**for 03-15 delivery, $95-105. Larry tools & equip, assembly avail., $1 queen, $22.50. Dave Bradley, Hill 828-206-2938.**

**houses, traps & kills, shipping to 919-733-5047. Ads are free to NC residents & can be submitted by mail to 1001 Mail Service Center, Raleigh NC 27699-1001; online at www.agreview.org; or by fax to 919-733-5047. Ads must include name, address including zip code, phone number including area code, and price or price range for every item being sold. Deadline for each issue is midnight on the first working day of the month prior to publication.**
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Cotton pickers, JD 9900, row 2, $4,000; 9930, 9 rows, needs repair, $4,000; builder's parts, CAT D7, for JD 690-8500, $2,500. Robert Humble Sr., Ayden 27817-4372.


JD bush hog, 5 ft, $750; Ford 9600 tractor, $3,000. Contact Bob Smith, 205-528-6453. Farmall H, 550 gal. Katolube w/2-300 gal. tanks, pump & ravens parts, $1,000. Larry W. Butts, Granite Falls 828-312-3080.

Grain wagon, 84 hp, self front, 6x16, 1,480 hrs., tires 50%, $2,600; 2260 cylinders, $3,000. Ed Cronin, High Point 336-882-9550.

V10160 1066 grain drill, 3 pt., 1250/1000 pto, $13,500; 1978 1066 grain drill, 3 pt, 540/1000 pto, $12,500; 1975 1066 grain drill, 3 pt, $9,000. Steve Grady, Kernersville 336-993-3595.

Grain wagon, 84 hp, self front, 6x16, 1,480 hrs., tires 50%, $2,600; 2260 cylinders, $3,000. Ed Cronin, High Point 336-882-9550.

Wanted 12in x 10in lathe; one of a pair w/ac & $1,000. Steve Grady, Kernersville 336-993-3595.

2960 tractor, 3 pt., hitch, 8 miles, $1,000. Scott Culbreth, Rockwell 704-228-7725.

Hog garden tractors. Scott Culbreth, Rockwell 704-228-7725.
**HAY & GRAIN**

**HORSES**

**FARM LAND**

**EQUIPMENT WANTED**

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Livestock

For Sale


Offspring of registered Black Angus bulls, weighing 800-1200 lb, born in 2013. For information, contact Steel McCollum, 910-691-1955.

Dairy cows, born in 2013, weighing 1300-1800 lb, with acceptable health records. For information, contact Art zipper, 919-548-9531.

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336-372-8242 or 657-0959.
$0.35/lb., white pine tips, $0.15/
lb., fir tips, $0.15/lb., DIGITAL

Henderson, Burnsville 828-208-3795.
 Huge blossom head w/rich crimson
spruce, $12-20; Fraser
w/huge 12-14 lb.
onion sets, multiply underground,
Watterson, Lexington 240-498-8054.
 Newland 828-733-8659.
 Texas orders, $3-12. Michael Crippen,
coastal, $4/bushel; Midland 99,
$9-15. Matt Currin, Wendell 919-
817-1156.
 Camellia japonica, $5/ea.; camellia

Gardenia bushes multiplying,
vegetable, $40-80. Bert Raby, Frank-

Greenbush, 183-395-0030.
Hand lay wool tobacco burlap,
weatherproof, $0.55/lb. Miller, Mt.
Ashley 436-577-3446.
Fertilizer
12-12-12
ocial, 10-20-20; metal
plates, 10 metal flake for tin
water/cutter: Gary Winter, Bugarth

FARM SUPPLIES

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performing daily on the north side of Dorton Arena. Earn-
ing a silver medal at the World Juggling Championships at age 15, Roberto has been entertain-
ing audiences with his comedy show, which encourages audi-
ence participation and features juggling and a unicycle, for
over 20 years.

Brad Matchett, comedy hypnotist, returning with even more family-friendly shows. He will perform nightly at 7:30 in the Folk Festival tent, with an additional 9 p.m. show on Fri-
days, Saturdays and Sundays.

Downtown Raleigh. Go to www.ncstatefair.
.org for more on sites and hours.

The north lobby of Dorton Arena will feature a new exhibit honoring North Carolina’s in-
volvement in World War I. Historians in uniform will be on hand to answer questions and explain the soldiers experience of trench warfare. This exhibit is presented by the N.C. Cultural Resources and the N.C. National Guard.

The Ag Today tent on the south side of Dorton Arena will show the latest in precision agri-
culture, including an unmanned aerial vehicle.

New this year at the Hunt Horse Complex is a Year of the Horse Celebration. The schedule of events includes a variety of ac-
tivities including headline shows, parade of breeds and tree, five-
minute riding lessons.

All grounds entertainment and exhibits are free with ad-
mision to the fair. Visit www.
ncstatefair.org or pick up a daily program at the entrance gate for times of performances and ex-
hibit hours. Fairgoers can also download the free N.C. State Fair app on Android and Apple de-
vices. While enjoying the fair, be sure to use the ncstatefair app to share your memories on social media. Look for selfie stations scattered around the fairgrounds for a few suggested photo opportunities.

You can follow the fair on Face-
book, Twitter and Instagram.

The N.C. State Fair runs Oct.
16-26 at the State Fairgrounds.
Advance tickets are on sale at www.ncstatefair.org. Advance tickets are $7 for adults and $3 for ages 6-12. Admission at the gate is $9 for adults and $4 for ages 6-12. Walk-up ticket sales begin Oct. 2 in Burlington, Chapel Hill, Clayton, Durham, Raleigh and Wakefield. Go to www.ncstatefair.
.org for more on sites and hours.

New fees set for NC poultry growers

North Carolina poultry growers who want to join the National Poultry Improvement Plan and receive a registration number will have to pay a $50 registration fee plus 10 cents per bird tested beginning Oct. 1. Growers with an existing registration number will need to pay a $10 annual recerti-
fication fee and pay 10 cents per bird tested to maintain their status.

The fees were set by the N.C. Department of Agri-
culture and Consumer Services to administer the program.

Growers who sell live baby poultry or hatching eggs must be compliant with basic NPIP test-
ing requirements, though they are not required to join the NPIP.

The NPIP was established in the 1930s to improve poultry and poultry products on a na-
tional level and to eliminate Sal-
monella pullorum disease, which caused up to 80 percent mortal-
ity in young flocks. The program was later extended to include testing and monitoring for se-
veral more diseases – including most recently, avian influenza – in commercial poultry, turkeys, waterfowl, exhibition poultry, backyard poultry and game birds.

Last year, the NCDAD&CS Veterinary Division registered 596 new flocks, of which 497 were non-commercial. Overall, North Carolina has more than 18,800 registered flocks.