

### Agriculture Report November 2023

#### **Introducing Stephanie Bowers, Regional Dairy Educator**

Hello!

I'm delighted to join Extension as your new Regional Dairy Educator, serving Outagamie, Winnebago, Oconto and Shawano counties. I was born and raised on a dairy farm in Upstate New York. I earned my Bachelor's Degree in Animal Science / Dairy Farm Management at the University of Vermont, and my Master's Degree in Ruminant Nutrition at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. I moved to Wisconsin in 2008 and worked with a leading dairy nutrition consultancy for five years, then built a nonprofit from the ground up. I'm also a graduate of the Young Dairy Leaders Institute Class VII.



I reside on a dairy farm in Wrightstown, with my husband Jeff and two amazing boys. For fun and family adventure, we operate a targeted grazing operation using goats (and sheep) to manage invasive species and nuisance vegetation. We're also actively involved with Wrightstown 4-H.

As I settle into Extension, I'm beginning to focus on critical issues facing dairy producers today. These issues include, but aren't limited to, climate change and environmental sustainability paired with animal welfare.

I'd love to connect with you, please reach out to me at <u>stephanie.bowers@wisc.edu</u> or give a jingle at 920-470-0531.

Stephanie Bowers Regional Diary Educator

### **Upcoming Events**

#### **November**

28 Badger Crops and Soils Update Meeting | UW-Oshkosh Fond du Lac Campus

#### December

- Changing Our Mental and Emotional Trajectory | 12:30 2:30 pm | Presented via Zoom <a href="https://bit.ly/ExtensionCOMET">https://bit.ly/ExtensionCOMET</a>
- 5, **6** or 7 Farm Pulse | 10 am 2 pm | (December 6) The Hog Barn, Bonduel (see flyer for more info/locations pg 4) Class meets Jan 30, Feb 20, March 12, April 3 | 12:30 3:00 pm | Extension Outagamie County
- 7-8 WI Water and Soil Health Conference | Kalahari Resort, WI Dells

#### January

- 10 Outagamie County Forage Council Scholarship DUE
- 12-13 WI Women in Agriculture | Three Bears Resort, Warrens, WI | <u>www.go.wisc.edu/654nnb</u>
- 20 Changing Our Mental and Emotional Trajectory | 10:00 am 12:00 pm | Prensented via Zoom <a href="https://bit.ly/ExtensionCOMET">https://bit.ly/ExtensionCOMET</a>

#### **February**

- 1-2 Corn and Soy Expo | Kalahari Conference Center, Wisconsin Dells | <a href="https://cornsoyexpo.org/">https://cornsoyexpo.org/</a>
- 8 Outagamie Forage Council Annual Meeting | 9:30 am Registration/10:00 Meeting | Buzz's Pub/Grill, Freedom
- 19-24 MFA Symposium | Chula Vista Resort, Wisconsin Dells | <a href="https://www.midwestforage.org/events.php">https://www.midwestforage.org/events.php</a>

# USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) announces funding opportunities for the Fiscal Year 2024 Conservation Stewardship Program (CSP).

CSP is for working lands and helps landowners and producers build their existing conservation efforts while strenghtening their operations. Landowners and producers voluntarily enroll land they own or have effective control of for the 5 year contract period to help enhance natural resources and improve their business operation. CSP can assist by improving grazing conditions, increase crop resiliency or developing wildlife habit by developing a custom plan to help meet producer and resource goals. NRCS can help identify natural resource problems in your operation and provide technical and financial assistance to solve those problems or attain higher stewardship levels in an environmentally beneficial and cost effective manner.

For funding consideration under the Fiscal Year 2024 Conservation Stewardship Program (CSP) on Agricultural Land and Non-Industrial Private Forest (NIPF), landowners and producers must submit an application by the sign up deadline February 9, 2024. Applications in Wisconsin are prioritized and ranked based on targeted resource concerns. These priorities are Field Nutrient, Pesticide, Sediment and Pathogen Loss, Ineffective Energy Use, Terrestrial Habitat, Wind and Water Erosion, Livestock Production Limitation, Pest Pressure, Soil Quality limitation, Source Water Depletion and Storage & Handling of Pollutants.

If you have questions or would like to apply, please contact the Outagamie NRCS Field office at (920) 733-1575 Ext. 3 or visit the office located at 3369 W. Brewster Street, Appleton.

### 2023

# BADGER CROPS & SOILS UPDATE MEETINGS



Click or scan to register

### **Balancing Sustainability and Innovation**



The annual UW Badger Crops & Soils Update meetings will be offered in 4 one-day in person sessions along with 1 virtual session this year.

Five CEUs are approved for the following areas: 2.0 crop management, 1.0 pest management, 1.0 soil & water and 1.0 nutrient management.

The meetings will present the latest information on agronomic, pest, and nutrient management research coming out of University of Wisconsin with a lens to on-farm application.

The in-person registration fee of \$150 includes lunch. The virtual registration fee is \$125. Registration deadline is November 17<sup>th</sup>.



FOR REGISTRATION INFORMATION:

https://cropsandsoils.extension.wisc.edu/badger-crops-and-soils-update-meeting/



Join us for one of the three FREE sessions around the state to learn from Cory Walters and others as we prepare to the launch the Farm Pulse: Crop Insurance & Grain Marketing course!

#### 10am-2pm with lunch included!

- → December 5, Whitewater UW-Whitewater
- → December 6, Bonduel The Hog Barn
  - → December 7, Eau Claire Best Western Conference Center

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# WELCOME TO THE NEW



## **WWASH**

Wisconsin Water and Soil Health CONFERENCE

The WWASH conference builds upon two legacy events, the Wisconsin Cover Crop Conference and the Discovery Farms Conference. A joint conference allows us to present more keynotes and a wider range of featured topics in breakout sessions. Join us for thought provoking discussions and walk away understanding the intersections of agronomy, water quality and soil health.

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# Navigating Your Ag Business: From Stress to Success

An online course designed to support farm businesses to make decisions, take action to move their farms forward, and reduce the farm members' stress.

#### What will I learn in this course?

You will learn how to:

- Prioritize your current unique stressors
- Select which financial camp you are in
- Develop your vision and goals for the farm and family
- Design an action plan to address your identified stressor and reach your vision and goals

#### The 6 modules

- Module One: Where is the farm now?
- Module Two: Live zoom session #1
- Module Three: Financial viability
- Module Four: Where do you want the farm to be?
- Module Five: Live zoom session #2
- Module Six: How do you get there?

Navigating your Ag Business: From Stress to Success is scheduled to go live January 1, 2024! <a href="https://farms.extension.wisc.edu/programs/navigating-your-ag-business/#overview">https://farms.extension.wisc.edu/programs/navigating-your-ag-business/#overview</a>

### Scholarship Oportunity

#### **Outagamie Forage Council Scholarship**

The Outagamie County Forage Council is proud to sponsor a \$500 educational scholarship for a deserving youth entering or already enrolled in post-secondary education in the area of agriculture. The award is designed to recognize outstanding individual accomplishment and achievement. Students completing their senior year of high school who have enrolled in or those students currently attending an accredited institution in a technical college certificate or diploma program, two-year Associate Degree program or four-year Bachelor of Science Degree program are eligible. Those students majoring in agronomy, soil science, or production related agriculture may receive preference. Student is to be a graduate from an Outagamie County High School or a resident of Outagamie County. All application materials must be received in the Outagamie County Extension Office by 4:00 p.m. Wednesday, January 10, 2024.

While ALL students pursuing a degree in an agricultural field of study are encouraged to apply, preference may be given to students currently enrolled in or seeking to enroll in a collegiate program focusing on agronomy, soil science, or production related agriculture. Eligibility for the scholarships will be based on the following:

- 1) Any student completing their senior year of high school who has enrolled in or any student currently attending an accredited institution in a technical college certificate or diploma program, two-year Associate Degree program, University of Wisconsin two-year campus or four-year Bachelor of Science Degree program are eligible. College students must have a final semester of instruction remaining at the time the scholarship is awarded.
- 2) Applicant must be an Outagamie County resident, OR currently attending a high school within Outagamie County.

All application materials must be received in the Outagamie County Extension Office by 4:00 p.m. Wednesday, January 10, 2024 (the office closes at 4:00 p.m.). No exceptions will be made.

Scholarship Application Procedure:

Full application form can be obtained by visiting <a href="https://bit.ly/OCForageScholarship">https://bit.ly/OCForageScholarship</a> or by calling the Outagamie Extension Office at 920-832-4763.

If you have any questions, please contact the Extension Outagamie County office at 920-832-4763.

## 2024 Private Pesticide Applicator Training for Outagamie & Winnebago Counties

Kevin Jarek, Regional Crops and Soils Educator, Outagamie and Winnebago Counties

Every year the University of Wisconsin Division of Extension provides training and testing for the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade, and Consumer Protection (DATCP) private pesticide applicator licensure. Those of you who have a restricted-use pesticide applicator license that will expire before the 2024 planting season should have received the following postcard in the mail. However, every year we have individuals who may wish to become certified who will not have received this mailing or information about how to register for the program from the state of Wisconsin, so that is why I am providing it here.

The following link will take you to the PAT store: <a href="https://patstore.wisc.edu/secure/collection/private/17">https://patstore.wisc.edu/secure/collection/private/17</a>
The link to participating counties for testing is located at:

https://fyi.extension.wisc.edu/pat/county-testing-sites/

There may be changes to the information above, if there are, we will post any updates at <a href="https://outagamie.extension.wisc.edu/">https://outagamie.extension.wisc.edu/</a> or contact Amy Beck, Support Staff, Extension Outagamie County at <a href="may.beck@outagamie.org">amy.beck@outagamie.org</a> or call (920)-832-1859 if needed.



### Private Applicator Recertification



#### **Dear Private Pesticide Applicator:**

DATCP records indicate you are due for Private Applicator recertification. If you are anticipating using Restricted Use Pesticides (RUP) please plan to register for recertification, if not please disregard this notice.

#### **Self-Study**

- 1. Go to the UW PAT Store to purchase a training manual.
- 2. Schedule a certification test with a participating County Extension Office or Pearson VUE Testing company.

#### **UW PAT Store**

patstore.wisc.edu

#### **Participating Counties for Testing**

fyi.extension.wisc.edu/pat/county-testing-sites/

### Attend a Class, Zoom or Online training

- 1. Go to the UW PAT Store to purchase a training manual.
- 2. Go to the UW PAT Store to find a date and location.
- 3. Register at the UW PAT Store for County hosted Zoom, in-person training or online training.

#### **UW PAT Program:**

patprogram@mailplus.wisc.edu 608-262-7588 or 608-263-6358

Don't like that internet stuff, contact the UW PAT Program, we do mail order also.

#### **UW Crop Enterprise Budget Tool Estimates Potential Returns in 2024**

Kevin Jarek, Regional Crops and Soils Educator, Outagamie and Winnebago Counties

This is the time of year when the opportunity to take advantage of seed discounts may make a difference to your bottom line next year given the diminishing margins we are seeing as corn and beans have come out of the fields this fall. It is never too early to be making decisions about next year's plantings. The most important task now is to make "informed" decisions.

Crop Enterprise Budget planning is not exactly a task people get excited about. My experience suggests it ranks somewhere between a trip to the dentist and filing annual income taxes. However, 2024 is going to present farmers with prices that as we end 2023 may carry over into 2024. As I write this, local cash grain prices are approximately \$4.30 (after a \$0.45-\$0.50 basis) for corn and \$12.15 (after a \$1.00 basis) for soybeans. As a result, it would be prudent to determine not only your intended plantings and management strategies, but to also create an alternative plan (or plans) if you are forced to make a change based on market conditions.

The UW Madison Division of Extension Crop Budget Tool located at <a href="https://cropsandsoils.extension.wisc.edu/">https://cropsandsoils.extension.wisc.edu/</a> <a href="https://cropsandsoils.extension.wisc.edu/">article-topic/economics-budgets-financial/</a> can help you determine the economic impacts of your final seed, fertilizer, herbicide, and other input purchases, as you plan for the 2024 growing season. While you will need to update the input costs and values to match your expected 2024 farm expenses, they provide a structure for you to begin analyzing how your various cropping plans will impact your cost of production and your potential profitability given estimated expenses, potential yields, and possible prices to be received upon harvest.

As you progress through the budgeting process, it is important to use reliable estimates of crop yield, input prices, and rates for field operations. Therefore, in developing the initial budgets, average custom rates were used, where available, utilizing National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) data and Custom Rate Guides for Wisconsin (2020) and lowa (2023). Custom rates are sourced from the Wisconsin Custom Rate Guide 2020 at <a href="https://www.nass.usda.gov/Statistics\_by\_State/Wisconsin/Publications/WI-CRate20.pdf">https://www.nass.usda.gov/Statistics\_by\_State/Wisconsin/Publications/WI-CRate20.pdf</a> or 2023 lowa Farm Custom Rate Survey at <a href="https://www.extension.iastate.edu/agdm/crops/pdf/a3-10.pdf">https://www.extension.iastate.edu/agdm/crops/pdf/a3-10.pdf</a> (this link will update to 2024).

Published average crop yield data is available by county at <a href="https://www.nass.usda.gov/Statistics\_by\_State/Wisconsin/Publications/County\_Estimates/">https://www.nass.usda.gov/Statistics\_by\_State/Wisconsin/Publications/County\_Estimates/</a> and alfalfa yields at <a href="https://arlington.ars.wisc.edu/wp-content/up-loads/sites/115/2023/04/2022-WAYP-Summary.pdf">https://arlington.ars.wisc.edu/wp-content/up-loads/sites/115/2023/04/2022-WAYP-Summary.pdf</a>.

## **UW Crop Enterprise Budget Tool Estimates Potential Returns in 2024 Continued**

When the required input and pricing data is entered into a particular crop budget, the expected Net Return/acre is identified at the bottom of the spreadsheet. This information can be used to evaluate the impact of various inputs and practices on your cost of production for each commodity on your farm, as well as help you make the tough input and management decisions necessary to increase your probability of having a profitable 2024 growing season.

As a potential budgeting starting point, you may find the following information useful. 2023 winter wheat yields should be updated by mid-late December 2023, whereas 2023 corn and soybean yields will likely be updated in late February 2024 at <a href="https://www.nass.usda.gov/Statistics\_by\_State/Wisconsin/Publications/County\_Estimates/index.php">https://www.nass.usda.gov/Statistics\_by\_State/Wisconsin/Publications/County\_Estimates/index.php</a>.

Average cropland rental rate in Wisconsin in 2023 (NASS) was \$151.00/acre.

#### Non-Irrigated Cropland Cash Rent – Wisconsin: 2023 State Average: \$151.00 per rented acre



The average corn grain yield in Wisconsin (NASS) in 2022 was 180 bu./acre.

The average soybean grain yield in Wisconsin (NASS) in 2020 was 54 bu./acre.

The average winter wheat yield in Wisconsin (NASS) in 2021 was 78 bu./acre.

The average alfalfa yield using the WI Alfalfa Yield & Persistence Project is 4.4 Tons DM/acre.

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County estimates can be found on QuickStats at quickstats.nass.usda.gov.

Source: National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS): <a href="https://www.nass.usda.gov/Statistics\_by\_State/Wiscon-sin/Publications/County\_Estimates/2023/WI-CtyEst-Cash-Rent-08-23.pdf">https://www.nass.usda.gov/Statistics\_by\_State/Wiscon-sin/Publications/County\_Estimates/2023/WI-CtyEst-Cash-Rent-08-23.pdf</a>.

# Alfalfa Hay Prices in the United States Where are We Now and How Did We Get Here?

Kevin Jarek, Regional Crops and Soils Educator, Outagamie and Winnebago Counties

As the lead senior judge (this just means I am getting old) for the World Forage Analysis SuperBowl (WFAS) held every year in conjunction with World Dairy Expo, I have enjoyed the opportunity to talk with alfalfa and hay growers from across the United States about the samples they submitted. My job is to explain to entrants and award winners in attendance why their forage received the score/placing it did. Every time we publish this agricultural newsletter, I purposefully include the latest Hay Market and Demand Report for the Upper Midwest

https://cropsandsoils.extension.wisc.edu/hay-market-report/ because other than the land and buildings the 1.27 million cows that call Wisconsin home reside on, the biggest expense dairy farmers face on a daily basis is the cost of feed, alfalfa hay being one of them. The most recent report from October 23, 2023 is below. We can quickly determine Prime Quality (>151 RFV/RFQ) large square bales are averaging \$257.00/ton.

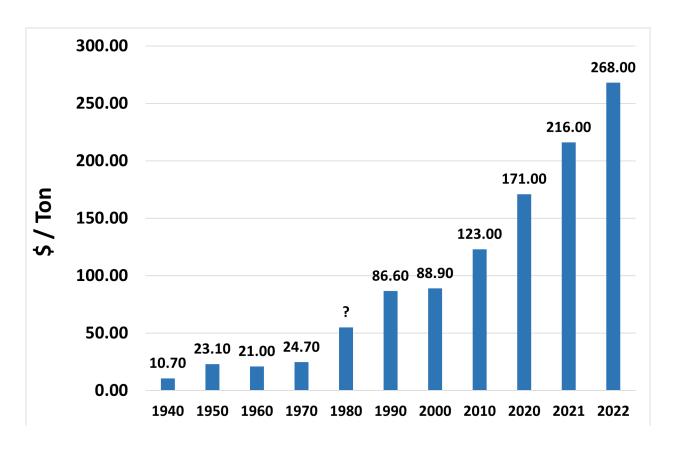
Hay Grade	Bale Type	Price (\$/ton)		
		Average	Minimum	Maximum
Prime (>151 RFV/RFQ)	Small Square	\$344.00	\$272.00	\$400.00
	Large Square	\$257.00	\$200.00	\$370.00
	Large Round	\$239.00	\$200.00	\$300.00
Grade 1 (125-150 RFV/RFQ)	Small Square	\$244.00	\$200.00	\$288.00
	Large Square	\$210.00	\$120.00	\$290.00
	Large Round	\$180.00	\$130.00	\$250.00
Grade 2 (103-124 RFV/RFQ)	Small Square	No reported sales		
	Large Square	\$169.00	\$125.00	\$255.00
	Large Round	\$151.00	\$125.00	\$190.00
Grade 3 (87-102 RFV/RFQ)	Small Square	No reported sales		
	Large Square	No reported sales		
	Large Round	\$93.00	\$80.00	\$100.00

#### Alfalfa Hay Prices in the United States

Where are We Now and How Did We Get Here? (continued)

Over the past few years this is approximately \$20-\$30 higher than where we have been at this time of year. How does this compare to alfalfa hay prices on the national level? What has been happening with alfalfa hay prices beyond the Upper Midwest? Let's find out...

After taking a deep dive into the data available from the National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS), we find the that United States alfalfa prices are affected by historic times of inflation just like everything else. We observed average prices double from the 1940's to 1950, we then remained relatively stable from 1950 to 1970. However, from the 70's to 1980 we saw a 200% increase in value. Ask anyone alive during this time about inflation and gas lines. Unfortunately, there is no value for alfalfa hay posted for the 1980's until 1989, so we have to extrapolate, however, growing up on a family farm in this time frame I definitely recall the price escalation (the severe 1988 drought had a little to do with those increases as well) during this time period. Interest rates in the early part of this time period were 16%–18%. The farm crisis of the 1980's followed soon after as the air was let out of the tire so to speak as assets (particularly land) became overvalued. As a result, the decade is remembered as the "Big 80's" for a lot of reasons, many not good.



#### Alfalfa Hay Prices in the United States

Where are We Now and How Did We Get Here? (continued)

Hay prices remained relatively stable in 1990 and through 2000, however, by 2010 we had seen a 38.4% increase from the decade before. This pattern continued as we experienced another 39.0% increase from 2010 to 2020. This is where it gets interesting... at quick glance one may miss that the last two bars of the chart are one-year increments (2021 & 2022) compared to the other linear measurements which measure a full decade (10 years). We experienced a 26.3% percent increase in prices from 2020 to 2021 and a 24.1% increase from 2021 to 2022.

There are several reasons for these recent bullish escalations. We are all aware of the severe drought conditions that every state west of the Mississippi experienced the past few years (albeit substantially improved in 2023). However, the end result? We began this growing season with an 11% decrease in hay stocks in Wisconsin (May 2023) from the year before, however, nationally U.S. hay stocks were down 13% at the same time bringing inventories to the second-lowest levels since records began in 1950. Wisconsin hay stocks reached their lowest levels ever recorded in May 2020, following the worst growing season in 50 years, 2019.

Nationally, the average yield of alfalfa harvested as dry hay has slowly been dropping from 3.27 tons of DM (dry matter) in 2020 to 3.23 tons DM in 2021 to 3.22 tons DM in 2022. Alfalfa acreage nationally has been following a similar trend. 2020 saw 16.2 million acres harvested, while 2021 saw 15.2 million acres harvested and 2022 came in at 14.9 million acres. Do these trends in lower yields suggest we should expect this price trend to continue? We all know what happens when things get too bullish, right?

Cue the "DogeCoin to the Moon" memes. If you are not familiar with the cryptocurrency (because in agriculture we actually deal with "real" physical commodities that require time and effort to produce), Dogecoin peaked in value at \$0.64 in May 2021 and is now trading at \$0.06 (1/10th its price) today. Apparently, agriculture is not the only place where there is a "what goes up, must come down" cyclicality. However, as we always need to do in agriculture, we go back to the basics of supply and demand. As the supply of any given commodity decreases, if demand remains stable (or increases), it is reasonable to expect the price of the commodity in question to remain stable or increase (as it has) as well. How long will this trend last? When will we see a price reversal?

Well, having knowledge of the past can help us understand the present, it doesn't necessarily provide us with the ability to predict the future. The best example of this is what does the 4+ inches of rainfall received the last week of October 2023 mean to our alfalfa yields in Wisconsin next year? While we want to assume positive after our extended drought, we need to see what El Nino has in store for us this winter. The answer to one problem, drought, introduces the risk of a new problem, heaving/winterkill in areas that are now saturated with little or poor drainage.

#### Alfalfa Hay Prices in the United States

Where are We Now and How Did We Get Here? (continued)

First, and foremost, we have been looking at national alfalfa hay prices and trends. While we have seen some other forage crops being grown on some farms in place of alfalfa across Wisconsin, the "Queen of Forages" is not going anywhere anytime soon. There is no other forage crop that can match the protein values (22–27%) alfalfa can supply in the forage portion of the ration. In agriculture, we monitor and adjust. If the price of one resource becomes too high, farmers are ingenious when it comes to finding substitutes or alternatives to cover in the short term, as many did during the period from 2018–2020. Alfalfa's story moving forward is one to watch. Given the substantial amount of time and effort dedicated by the agricultural industry professionals and prognosticators to the financials surrounding corn, soybeans, and wheat, alfalfa has been quietly reminding us of the place it holds not only in Wisconsin, but nationally.

### Dairy & Livestock

# Moving cows without the cows: new options for interactive employee training

Jackie McCarville, Green County Agriculture Educator

Handling cows is necessary to harvest milk and provide animal care, but these interactions also present a risk of injury to personnel. Inappropriate cow handling threatens animal welfare, milk production, and public trust in dairy farming. But how can the industry best teach these skills? Interactive learning experiences can help build confidence by allowing dairy workers to actively participate in their own training.

Interactive training methods, such as group activities, simulations, games or other hands-on methods, keep employees engaged in the learning process and create a safe space for questions. In collaboration with Wisconsin dairy stakeholders, Extension Dairy Welfare Specialist & UW Madison Department of Animal & Dairy Science Assistant Professor, Jennifer Van Os, created an innovative learning tool for people to practice the appropriate handling of dairy cows.

Join Jennifer Van Os and Extension Farm Management Specialist Jim Versweyveld as they discuss interactive learning and the Mooving Cows (TM) digital educational game in which learners practice moving cows in simulated dairy farm environments. The game, like a flight simulator, is a way for participants to "learn by doing." The learning objectives in the game are to understand how human actions affect cow behavior, stress, productivity, and worker safety.

Check out the webinar on Tuesday, November 21 at 11 am, or watch the recording at a later date.

https://dairy.extension.wisc.edu/badger-dairy-insight/

### Dairy & Livestock

#### **UW-Madison Extension to Look at Pre-Weaned Calf Transport Practices**

Moving pre-weaned calves from their birth dairy to an off-site rearing facility is a common practice within the dairy industry. According to the USDA National Animal Health Monitoring System (NAHMS), most large operations (62.8%) sent dairy heifer replacements to an off-site rearing facility as pre-weaned calves. But moving these newborn calves presents unique challenges that may not be seen in the adult counterpart.

In collaboration with Colorado State University, UW-Madison Division of Extension Dairy Program Area seeks to learn the practices and challenges of transporting the pre-weaned calf in Wisconsin. Extension is conducting a research survey to describe current industry practices regarding the transportation of pre-weaned dairy heifer replacements, dairy bulls, and/or beef x dairy calves. The survey includes input from the source farm (owner or dairy producer, regardless of operation size), the transportation drivers, and the receiving operation (custom calf raiser, off-site calf rearing facilities, auction yards, steer raisers, etc.)

To participate in the survey, please visit and complete the 10-15-minute survey at <a href="http://go.wisc.edu/calftransportsurvey">http://go.wisc.edu/calftransportsurvey</a> and use the password: Holstein 23. The survey is voluntary and confidential. The information gained will help Extension better understand current industry practices for transporting calves on milk and if these practices differ for dairy replacement heifers, dairy bull calves, and beef x dairy calves.



If you have any questions regarding the survey, please contact UW-Madison Extension Regional Dairy Educator Tina Kohlman at <u>tina.kohlman@wisc.edu</u> or Colorado State University Assistant Professor Catie Cramer at <u>catie.cramer@colostate.edu</u>.



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