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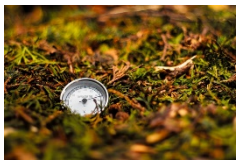
NCR Staff Changes

Update from Joe Hannan:

“I wanted to let you know that I have resigned from Iowa State University and that Friday, June 11th was my last day. Merrilee and I have decided to make NW Arkansas our permanent home. Merrilee is working full time at a great new job while I am getting us settled into our new house, doing some remodeling, and a little consulting. It has been an absolute pleasure working with each of you over the past 5-ish years. It is wonderful being part of such an awesome community and seeing so many people with different expertise come together with a single focus. I will miss working with you and wish everyone all the best.”

Partner Events

Kristin Esch, from the FDA, will be hosting a discussion forum for the NCR states and FDA staff on Thursday, July 22, at 10:00 Central time. The goal is to have a casual and informal discussion regarding the PSR. Please send agenda items/questions you'd like to discuss [to Kristin](#) by July 15. If no one has topics to discuss, the meeting won't be held.



The University of Arkansas is hosting a virtual workshop on BSAAO's, from August 2-4, 12:30 pm-4:30 pm CDT each day. The training will cover best practices of using and making biological soil amendments of animal origin (BSAAO), such as compost. Produce Growers, Cooperative Extension, Composting and other BSAAO industry members are invited. The training is free, but [registration is required](#).

The Center for Produce Safety recently launched a [Cyclospora Resources webpage](#). If you would like to submit your Cyclospora research project or article to be added to the website, please [contact CPS](#).

CPS continues its [webinar series](#) this summer. This event is held virtually and the last dates are July 6 and 13, from 12:00 to 2:00 Central time. Registration is required for this free event.

At the third annual Bold Open Reverse Pitch, Minnesota's food companies and commodity groups are asking for solutions to one of the most important issues facing the planet: protein innovation. [Register](#) for the July 21 virtual event. The Bold Open is powered by the Agricultural Utilization Research Institute (AURI).

Success Stories



Read the latest [success story about a grower in Missouri](#).

Londa Nwadike wrote the story and her university received the \$1000 honorarium. Thanks, Londa, for sharing the good work being done at the University of Missouri Extension and the Missouri Department of Agriculture!

Let us know if you would like someone to write about the good work accomplished in your state or by your organization.

Funding Available

Funds are available to help NCR partners (anyone who participates in NCR activities) attend virtual trainings/events. Under most circumstances, the NCR will reimburse you after the event for the registration fee.

The mentoring program and the trainer sharing program also have funding available.

Job Openings

The job posting for the [PSA Northwest Regional Extension Associate](#) position is now available. Review of applications began June 25 and will continue until the position is filled.

Upcoming NCR FSMA Meetings



The Listening Sessions/ Webinars happen the third Thursday of every month at 2:00, Central time. Recipients of the NCR mini-grants will be presenting on July 15.

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Join from a PC, Mac, iPad, iPhone or Android device:

[Join the meeting.](#)

Or, go to <https://iastate.zoom.us/join> and enter meeting ID: 845 702 039

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Dial: +1 646 876 9923 or +1 669 900 6833

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Update from the last meeting:

We had a quick listening session in June. We briefly discussed how we might best utilize the funds from a no-cost extension. [Please let us know your thoughts](#) by July 1. [Watch or listen to the discussion](#) in our shared Box account. If you don't have access to the Box account, please let us know.

The **meeting for inspectors/state regulators** happens the first Friday of most months at 9:00 am Central time. State government staff take turns leading a discussion, and there's time to share what's happening in your state and ask questions. The group will meet next on **Friday, July 2**. Contact [Ellen](#) for call information.

State employees responsible for **farm inventories** have scheduled their next call for **Friday, July 16**, at 9:00 am Central time. Contact [Ellen](#) for call information.

Upcoming PSA Courses

Online course: begins every three weeks

Check out the [Calendar](#) for postings of PSA courses offered nationally. Find a list of [registered PSA Trainers](#).

Upcoming FSPCA Courses

Illinois: PC Human Food: July 13, 19, and 21;
Aug. 9, 11, 17; Sept. 13, 21, 28, and 29
PC Animal Food: Aug. 2
FSVP: July 15 and 27; Aug. 24; Sept. 2 and 15

Iowa: PC Human Food: Aug. 30

Michigan: PC Human Food: July 6
PC Animal Food: Sept. 14
FSVP: Sept. 8

Nebraska: PC Human Food: Aug. 9
PC Animal Food: Aug. 16

Ohio: PC Human Food: July 13; Sept. 28
PC Animal Food: Sept. 27

Wisconsin: PC Human Food: Aug. 10; Sept. 13
FSVP: Aug. 24

Online: PC Human Food: July 3, 6, 7, 13, 14, 15, 16, 19, 20, 21, 26, and 28;
Aug. 4, 16, 18, 20, 23, 24, and 25; Sept. 1, 13, 17, 20, 22, and 27
PC Animal Food: July 6, 7, 14, and 16; Aug. 2, 3, 9, 11, 14, 16, 25, and 30;
Sept. 3, 7, 15, and 29
FSVP: July 1, 6, 8, 12, 14, 15, 21, 22, 26, 27, and 28; Aug. 5, 11, 19, and 20;
Sept. 2, 8, 14, 21, 28, and 30

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Thanks for your continued interest in the North Central Region Center for FSMA Training, Extension, and Technical Assistance as we develop the necessary foundation for future collaboration. If you have specific questions or feedback, please email ncrfsma@iastate.edu.

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