## **Hopkins County Agriculture & Natural Resources Newsletter**

The Hopkins County Cooperative Extension Service will be moving to a new location in LATE AUGUST. The new building is located at 25 Mahr Park Drive.

All future agriculture program meetings will take place at the new facility. Meeting room parking is located on the WEST (toward Manitou) and SOUTH (Nebo Rd) sides of the building.

## Cost Share Meeting—County Agricultural Incentives Program (CAIP)

Informational meetings will be:

- \*Thursday, August 21 5pm (Room C)
- \*Thursday, September 4 —1pm (Room B)

These meetings will allow anyone interested in applying for CAIP funds to learn the details of the program. Attendance is not mandatory to participate in the program, however it is **highly encouraged**. Application period is 8/1/25-11/30/25. The Green River Area Beef Improvement Group, Inc. is program administrator and will be mailing program applications. To request an application, please call the Hopkins Co. Extension Office to be added to the mailing list. Meetings will be held at the new extension office—please RSVP.

To review CAIP cost share items, scan the QR Code with your smart phone. Scroll down to "COUNTY AGRICULTURE INCENTIVES PROGRAM (CAIP)"

(browser link)

https://www.kyagr.com/agpolicy/2025-Program -Guidelines-and-Applications.html

Lexington, KY 40506

Ag Disasters: Planning and Recovery Meeting Thursday, September 4 — 1:30pm Room B

This meeting will focus on strategies and resources to help producers prepare for, respond to, and recover from natural disasters and other emergencies. Learn from USDA-Farm Service Agency, KY Dept. Agriculture, and UK Extension personnel. This meeting will be a CAIP approved educational event.

Participation in CAIP requires the applicant to complete a minimum of one (1) educational component prior to the disbursement of funds related to farm management, production, best management practices or marketing. Eligible sessions include extension-sanctioned activities, such as workshops, seminars, field days, online courses, webinars, etc.

Forage seeding can begin as early as August 10 and can continue through mid September. Alfalfa and cool season grasses, such as orchardgrass and endophyte friendly fescue are good options for this time period. Kentucky 31 fescue can be seeded through the first week of October. If preparing a conventional seed bed, discing, cultipacking, seeding, and then cultipacking the opposite direction will insure a firm seedbed. For no till planting, competition from other plants should be minimal. Once the seed germinates, it needs light. Visit this link to the latest

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