

# Ramp Simplifies Pickup Loading

TIFTON, Ga. — The Handy Ramp from First Products can be quickly attached to the bed of a pickup and extended to provide a gently sloping ramp surface for easy drive-on loading of light tractors and recreational vehicles. Its rigid, anti-slip expanded metal deck provides a secure surface for loading.

Made in America, the ramp is constructed of steel and weighs only 92 pounds. It measures 48 3/4 inches wide and 82 inches long fully extended.

The Handy Ramp fits full-size and small pickups, stores in 10 inches of space and does not interfere with tailgate operation. A winch kit is available from the manufacturer which makes the ramp perfect for one man loading of non-working equipment.

For more information contact, First Products, P.O. Box 1425, Tifton, GA 31794 or call 912-382-4768.



First Products' ramp makes pickups as easy to load as a utility trailer.

# Potato Referendum

HARRISBURG — Pennsylvania potato growers producing 25 or more acres of potatoes for sale will vote June 2-13 on whether to support an assessment plan designed to provide funds for potato research.

State Agriculture Secretary Richard E. Grubb announced the referendum following a public hearing on the proposed program in Harrisburg. Testimony was received from five individual growers and the Pennsylvania Cooperative Potato Growers Association, representing more than 100 potato growers in the state.

"All testified in favor of the program, which calls for an assessment of two cents per hundredweight on all potatoes sold by eligible growers. The Department is conducting this new referendum in view of the support shown at the hearing," said Grubb, noting that passage of the program could mean more than \$45,000

annually for research. "Continued research will help to make Pennsylvania products more competitive in the marketplace," he added.

The fund would be administered by a 10-member advisory board comprised of participating growers.

Referendum ballots were mailed to 175 eligible growers on May 22. Returned ballots will be tallied by a teller committee comprised of affected growers. Passage of the program requires a majority of those voting accounting for a majority of acreage production. Ballots must be received at the Department of Agriculture, Bureau of Marketing Development, 2301 N. Cameron Street, Harrisburg, PA 17110-9408 by 4 p.m. Friday, June 13.

For additional information or to receive a ballot (growers of 25 acres or more) contact the Bureau of Marketing Development at (717) 783-9948.



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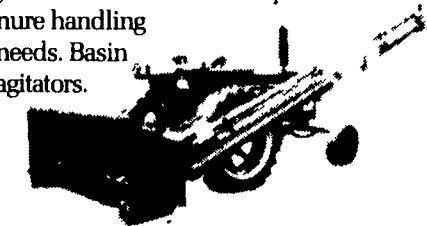
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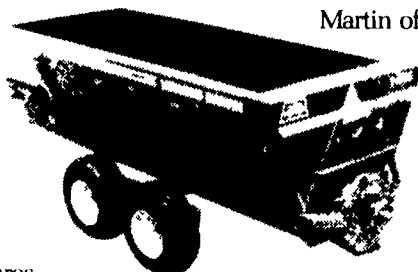
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