## **Drought Watch Declared For Thirty-Four Cou** HIES

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portions of New York and Marvland," SRBC Executive Director Paul Swartz said. "We are concerned that below-normal flows of the Susquehanna River and many of its tributaries could trigger mandatory restrictions."

The SRBC is made up of representatives of New York, Pennsylvania, Maryland and the federal government. It's mission is to manage the water resources of the Susquehanna River basin.

The state monitors five parameters for drought --- precipitation, stream flows, groundwater levels, reservoir levels and soil moisture. Precipitation is below normal in most counties in the eastern two

thirds of the state, with deficits running as much as seven inches below normal since January. Groundwater levels in the Susquehanna River basin are generally below normal and streamflows are almost half of normal. Soil moisture is also low, and while most reservoirs are at normal levels, they are beginning to drop.

"Our concern is that the indicators across the board are on the way down," Seif said. "We can't control the weather. The only variable in this equation we can control is the amount of water we use and we're asking Pennysylvanians to do just that.

"This is a critical time for several crops that are very important to Pennsylvania agriculture, including corn and alfalfa hay," Agriculture Secretary Samuel E. Hayes Jr. said. "If conditions continue to deteriorate, there will be serious economic consequences."

The Department of General Services has stopped all unnecessary water use on state property in the greater Harrisburg area, includingoutside sprinklers and fountains. The latest drought information

including water conservation tips, drought maps and current conditions is available on DEP's website at http://www.dep.state.pa.us (choose Drought Information Center).

## **Fulton County Agribusiness Breakfast**

McCONNELLSBURG (Fulton Co.) — The Fulton County Extension Office and the Fulton County Conservation District will be holding an agribusiness breakfast on Tuesday, Aug. 5, from 8 a.m. to 9 a.m. at the American Legion Post 561 in McConnellsburg.

This month, Dr. John Comer-

ford, extension livestock specialist at Penn State, will discuss the usage and safety of growth hormones in livestock production.

The monthly agribusiness breakfast will start promptly at 8 a.m. and will adjourn at 9 a.m. Breakfast will cost \$4.25 per person and will include scrambled eggs, bacon, sausage, toast, coffee, milk, and orange juice.

In order to get an accurate meal count for this month's meeting we request that you contact the Fulton County Extension Office at (717) 485-4111 by July 31 to reserve your place.



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