

Pennsylvania Department Of Agriculture Lists Action Plan

HARRISBURG (Dauphin Co.)
 — As the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture looks to the months ahead, the agency has its program of work in place . . . Action Plan for Pennsylvania Agriculture. This is the second edition of PDA's Action Plan. Most of the first edition is complete.

"While there are many program tasks beyond those listed in our Action Plan for Pennsylvania Agriculture, PDA believes it important to have a pro-active agenda in support of Pennsylvania's diverse society and agricultural community," Agriculture Secretary Sam Hayes said.

Here is a brief overview of the action agenda.

—Develop 21st Century Mission Statement for Department of Agriculture.

—Develop 21st Century Mission Statements for all PDA Bureaus.

—Develop 21st Century Mission Statement for PDA Regions.

—Nutrient Management, Best Management Practices Manual

—Administration of Drought Assistance: Hay Assistance; Crop Loss Assistance, Crop Insurance.

—Enhance State Conservation Commission's programs through PDA-sponsored projects to support production agriculture through the protection of farmland, agriculture advocacy, nutrient management assistance, leadership development training, and conservation technical services.

—Farmland Preservation, Accelerated Program.

—Website, Farmland Preservation.

—Website, PA Hardwoods, Hardwoods Development Council.

—Workshops, Next Generation Farmer Loan Program.

—Website, Plant Industry.

—Chemsweep II.

—IPM User's Guide for Pennsylvania Schools.

—Pesticide Container Recycling Program.

—Farm Safety Day Camps.

—Plum Pox Virus, Diagnostic and Phyto-Security Initiatives.

—Strategic Plan, Bureau of Market Development.

—Export Website, Pennsylvania Agriculture.

—"Export for Learners," Dairy

Heifer Marketing Program for College and High School Students.

—E-Commerce, Promotion of PA Grown Food in Restaurants.

—Promote the Water Export of Dairy Heifers.

—Power Point Outreach Program, "Pennsylvania Agriculture . . . Products for the Planet."

—Philadelphia, "Simply Delicious," PA Fruits and Vegetables.

—AGRO 2000, International Celebration.

—Food Safety, User's Guide for Non-Profit Organizations.

—Food Safety, Crisis Communication Protocol.

—School Cafeteria Food Safety, "Good Learners Need Good Food."

—Website, Food Safety.

—Strategic Plan, Animal Health Commission.

—Website, Animal Health.

—Pseudorabies — Free Status.

—TB — Free Status.

—Johnes Disease Protocol.

—Emergency Animal Health Preparedness and Response Program.

—PA Dairy Quality Assurance Program.

—Strategic Plan, Weights and Measures.

—Website, Weights and Measurement Standards.

—Water Park Safety Seminars.

—Go-Kart Safety Seminars.

—Equine Center.

—PA Meat Animal Evaluation Center.

—Database, Weights and Measures.

—Bulk Milk Tank Calibration Assistance for Dairy Industry.

—Consumer Brochure, Scanner Devices.

—Pilot Project, Octane Testing

—Ag Symposium on profitability, 2nd Annual.

—Emergency Response Plan for PDA.

—Agricultural Research, Suppression of Agricultural Odors, Conflict Resolution for Agriculture.

—International User's Guide for Pennsylvania Agriculture, Trade Barriers to Ag Export, PDA Application of GIS, Animal Health — Salmonella in Poultry.

—PDA, Farm-City Day, "A Story to be Told . . . Lessons to be Learned," 4th Annual.

—PDA, Ag Research Symposium, 3rd Annual.

—Timer Expo 2001.

—Beef Promotion, "The New Face of Beef in Pennsylvania."

—"PA Select Apples," Winter Retail Promotion.

—Dairy Promotion, "The Dairy Difference: Meeting the Needs of,

PA School Children."

—PEQAP Television, Pennsylvania Egg Quality Assurance Program.

—Sustainable Forestry Initiatives.

—Wood Products, Technical Training Curriculum.

—Workforce Training — Wood Industry.

—PDA, In-Service Workshops, Customer Relations.

—Website, Donated Food Programs.

—Farmers Markets Established for Senior Citizens.

—Aquaculture Development

Plan.

—Website, Dog Law Enforcement.

—Management Guide for Kennel Owners.

—Rabies and Dog Bite Prevention, (Outreach).

—Website, Farm Show Complex.

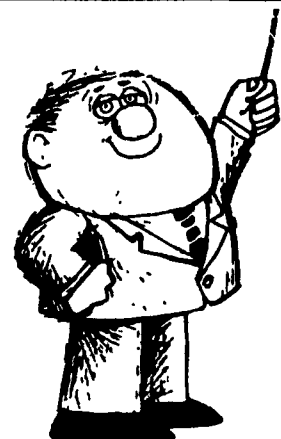
—Upgrade Feasibility Study Farm Show Complex.

—PA Organic Directory.

—Market Promotion, "Uncover PA Wine Country."

—Website, Ag Statistics.

—PDA Publication, Department Mission and Program Book let.



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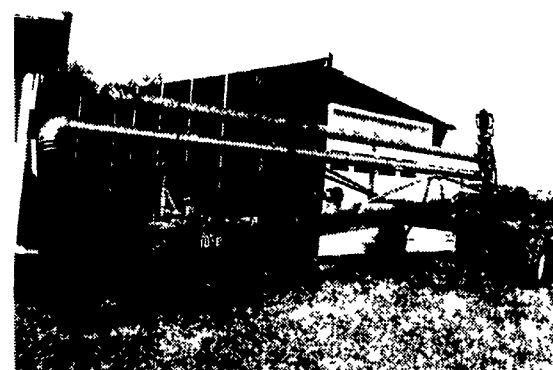
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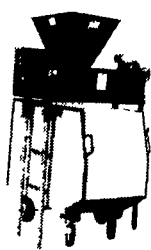
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