



## Thirty-nine Producers Share Dairy 30x20 Grants

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MADISON – Thirty-nine dairy producers across the state are receiving Grow Wisconsin Dairy 30x20 grants that will allow them to take steps in becoming more profitable and productive.

The Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection (DATCP) made the grant award announcement today noting that several of the projects include transition planning that will keep farms in the family for the next generation and allow those farms to keep supplying quality milk to meet Wisconsin’s needs.

“Transitioning the farm to the next generation family member can be a challenging process both financially and emotionally,” said DATCP Secretary Ben Brancel. “It’s good to see farmers who are planning ahead and will use their Dairy 30x20 award to help make the transfer of ownership go as smoothly as possible. That’s good for the farm families and good for the future of Wisconsin agriculture”.

This year’s recipients plan to improve production and profitability by implementing such things as improvements in nutrition and herd health programs, organizing efficient business planning processes, or installing robotic milkers and milking parlors. One recipient will develop an on-farm research project that will result in a best management practices manual for better newborn calf care.

Introduced by Governor Scott Walker in 2012, the Grow Wisconsin Dairy 30x20 initiative provides up to \$5,000 to a farmer for hiring consultants with the expertise to address these types of specific business needs. Cost share payments by the farmer are required at 20% of the total grant amount. This year’s award total came to \$190,617.

The goal is to help improve an individual farm’s profitability, ensure the long-term vitality of the state’s dairy industry and meet the growing demand of the marketplace. By doing this, Wisconsin’s dairy industry should be able to reach a production target of 30 billion pounds of milk by 2020.

The latest Grow Wisconsin Dairy 30x20 recipients are:

Baerwolf Dairies LLC	Sun Prairie-Dane Co.
Ronald Baus	Mt. Calvary-Fond du Lac Co.
Dean Bender	Dorchester-Marathon Co.
Jeremy Brady	Tigerton-Waupaca Co.
Neil Breunig	Lodi-Dane Co.
Brickstead Dairy LLC	Greenleaf-Brown Co.
William Ciolkosz	Thorp-Clark Co.
Ti-Shi Dairy Inc.	Elmwood-Pierce Co.
Collins Dairy LLC	Greenleaf-Brown Co.
Dopp Dairy Domain Inc.	Wild Rose-Portage Co.
Scott Drinkman	Downing-Dunn Co.
Ryan Dunnum	Westby-Vernon Co.
Double Nickel Dairy LLC	Pulaski-Shawano Co.
Holtland Holsteins LLC	Fennimore-Grant Co.
Kauer Farms	Walworth-Walworth Co.
Lynn Kirschbaum	Glen Haven-Grant Co.
Lulich Farms, Inc.	Mason-Bayfield Co.

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Hardscrabble Farm  
Dwight Mayer  
Mell-wood LLC  
Cheeseville Dairy LLC  
Brian Micke  
Martin J. Mulcahy  
Sunrise Acres of Waldo LLP  
Naumann Farms LLC  
Larrand Dairy Inc.  
D & T Dairy LLC  
David Peasley  
Steven W Pfaff  
Ripp's Wauna-Dairy  
Howard Robertson  
Jerome Schroth Family Dairy  
Schuh Homestead Farm  
Siegmond Farm LLC  
Genart Hillcrest Farm, LLC  
Millers Osceden Acres Inc.  
Paul Van Gheem  
Dale L. Wagner  
Larson Acres

Jim Falls-Chippewa Co.  
Slinger-Washington Co.  
Waunakee-Dane Co.  
West Bend-Washington Co.  
Brillion-Marathon Co.  
Dane-Dane Co.  
Waldo-Sheboygan Co.  
Cecil-Shawano Co.  
De Pere-Outagamie Co.  
Fox Lake-Dodge Co.  
Black River Falls-Jackson Co.  
Alma Center-Jackson Co.  
Waunakee-Dane Co.  
Ogema-Price Co.  
Shiocton-Outagamie Co.  
Brillion-Manitowoc Co.  
Kewaunee-Kewaunee Co.  
St. Cloud-Fond du lac Co.  
Eden-Fond du Lac Co.  
De Pere-Outagamie Co.  
Manitowoc-Manitowoc Co.  
Evansville-Rock Co.

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