



Dubuque County Watersheds to Host Farmer Field Day on June 16

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Dubuque County Watersheds will host a “Farmer Field Day” Friday, June 16, starting at 11:30 a.m. The event will take place at the Behnke Farm located at 18068 Boy Scout Road, Durango, IA 52039. Farmers and individuals interested in sustainable farming practices are invited to attend this informative and engaging event.

The Farmer Field Day event presents a unique opportunity for farmers and others to connect, learn, and exchange ideas. Attendees will gain valuable insights into the importance of soil testing, regenerative farming practices, the latest advancements in technology, and strategies for enhancing soil health and water quality throughout the afternoon.

Highlights for the event include:

- 11:30 AM: Welcome and Introductions
- 11:40 AM: Dubuque County Watersheds Funding Overview
- 11:50 AM: Climate Smart Cropping with Sara Lira, Corteva
- 12:15 PM: Lunch (provided free of charge)
- 1:00 PM: Regenerative Farming and ROI with Greg Thoren
- 1:15 PM: Regenerative Farming Lessons with Jerry Daniels
- 1:30 PM: Relay Cropping in Monticello, IA with Jason Russell
- 1:45 PM: Drone Applications with Dan Staner & Corey Johnson, C&D Aerial
- 2:30 PM: Soil Pit Test with Neil Sass, NCRS
- 3:00 PM: Farmer to Farmer Social Event

“It’s important that farmers and landowners have a chance to network and learn from their peers. This event is another opportunity to learn more about local programs and practices farmers across the county are using to benefit our waterways and their bottom line,” said Dubuque County Watersheds Executive Director Eric Schmechel.

The event is free to attend, and lunch will be provided for all participants. Interested individuals are encouraged to RSVP to Scott Hendricks at scott.hendricks@dubuquecountyia.gov or by calling 563-213-8388 by June 12. However, walk-ins are also welcome on the day of the event.

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Dubuque County Watersheds is a collaboration between Dubuque County, the City of Dubuque, and the Dubuque Soil and Water Conservation District that is working towards increasing conservation measures and profitability on farms, as well as improving ecosystem habitat by partnering with both rural and urban landowners.