



THE LATEST FROM AGRICULTURE & NATURAL RESOURCES RCE OF CAPE MAY COUNTY

July 5, 2023

The Latest from Cape May Ag

WHAT'S NEW

New Striped Bass Limits

On May 2, 2023, the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission (ASMFC) Striped Bass Board (Board) voted to take emergency action to support stock rebuilding by implementing a 1 fish @ 28" to 31" size slot limit on the recreational striped bass fishery coastwide. On June 20, 2023, the NJ Marine Fisheries Council (MFC) voted to implement the new slot to stay in-compliance with ASFMC.

- The new striped bass regulations will be effective on July 2, 2023, as follows:
 - 1 fish @ 28" to 31" in all state waters
- Atlantic Ocean, 0 to 3 miles from shore, no closed season
- All other marine waters, open Mar. 1 to Dec. 31
- Delaware River and tributaries from Calhoun St. Bridge, Trenton to Salem River and tributaries are closed from April 1 until May 31

The emergency action will not affect the [Striped Bass Bonus Program \(SBBP\)](#). The SBBP regulations will remain:

- 1 fish @ 24" to less than 28"
- Open season: May 15 to December 31

Please Note: The 2023 striped bass regulations on the NJ Recreational Regulation Cards and printed Marine Digests are not correct. Please check the [NJ Fish & Wildlife website](#) and online [2023 Marine Digest](#) for current updates to the regulations. For more information about the emergency action and new slot regulations, please visit the [Striped Bass Emergency Action FAQ](#) page.

[Karyn Malinowski Honored with Distinguished Service Award from Equine Science Society | Morning Ag Clips](#)

NEW BRUNSWICK, N.J. — Karyn Malinowski, founding director of the Equine Science Center at Rutgers University, received the 2023 Distinguished Service Award at the 2023 Equine Science Society Symposium in Grapevine, Texas, on Friday, June 9. Presented to her during the Equine Science Society Symposium's 2023 Awards Banquet, the award is the most prestigious honor that the Equine Science Society can bestow upon one of its members.

[2023 Spotted Lanternfly Tracking Survey \(psu.edu\)](#)

The Penn State Extension Grape and Wine Team is calling on those who own, operate, or manage a farm or vineyard in the Mid-Atlantic region to participate in a survey that aims to track the spread and severity of nymph and adult spotted lanternfly populations during the 2023 season.

NEWS ARTICLES

[USDA to Invest \\$3 Million to Support Cooperative Soil Science and Soil Survey Research | Natural Resources Conservation Service](#)

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) plans to invest \$3 million in partnerships to promote research that informs and improves soil surveys at the regional level, which is part of an ongoing effort to continue to provide critical data to the country...

EVENTS

July 12 [Organic Garden Doctor – July \(Virtual\)](#)

NOFA NJ Organic Garden Doctor Virtual Series Second Wednesday of each month (May through October): 7 – 8 PM What to do / When to do it / What am I looking at??? Join fellow organic growers of food to discuss what's going on, or what should be going on in your garden. 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm EDT

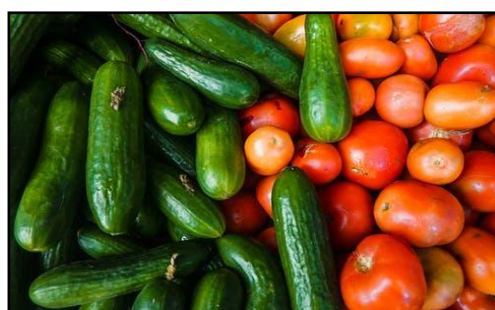
July 20 [Renewable Energy Academy: Renewable Liquid Biofuel Technologies \(cvent.com\)](#)

Penn State. 9:30-11:45am, via zoom or in-person. Participants will be able to list the major types of biofuel that can be produced, describe the process of creating biofuel from biomass, and explain the performance of typical vehicle engines when fueled with biofuel. **Registration Deadline** July 19, 2023 11:59 PM

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RESOURCES

[Farm Market & Agritourism: Build a value ladder and they will climb](#) – Vegetable Growers News

An [Economic Analysis of Market Impacts of the National Watermelon Promotion Board: 2017-2021](#) by the National Watermelon Promotion Board shares findings of a new study that shows how the organization's marketing activities help shape the demand for watermelons.

[Mix organic, conventional methods to boost soil health](#) – Vegetable Growers News

[Farmland access](#) – ATTRA Publication

[Resilient Farmers, Ranchers and Communities: Social Sustainability in Agriculture](#) – SARE Outreach

[Risk Management Education for Farmers with On-Farm Visitors](#) – Iowa State Extension

[Farmer's guide to direct sales software platforms](#) – National Young Farmers Coalition

PLANT & PEST ADVISORY

[Landscape, Ornamentals, Nursery, and Turf Pest Notes](#)

[Vegetable Crop IPM update](#)

[Tree Fruit IPM Report](#)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

[Funds to Advance Sustainable Technologies Now Available to New Jersey Shellfish Producers](#)

Funding is now available to New Jersey shellfish aquaculture producers to implement conservation practices that promote aquatic habitat on shellfish leases and enhance water quality through the NJ COASTAL Project, a [Regional Conservation Partnership Program](#) (RCPP) agreement between the [Ocean County Soil Conservation District](#) (OCSCD) and the USDA's Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS). The target area for this project is the state's coastal bays, with a focus on Barnegat Bay and the Great Bay region. While NRCS accepts applications year-round, New Jersey producers should **apply by July 15, 2023** to be considered for funding.

[Deer Fencing Grants for Unpreserved Farms](#). Unpreserved farm owners or operators in New Jersey may receive up to 50 percent matching funds (\$20,000 maximum, no more than \$200 per acre) from NJDA.

[Organic Certification Cost Share Program](#) (OCCSP). Certified operations may receive up to 75 percent of their certification costs paid during the program year, not to exceed \$750 per certification scope.

[Soil Health Academy Scholarship](#). Scholarships are available to attend one of their 3-day event. [Apply here](#).

[Farm and Ranch Stress Assistance Network \(FRSAN\)](#). The long-term goal of the FRSAN projects is to establish a Farm and Ranch Stress Assistance Network that provides stress assistance programs to individuals who are engaged in farming, ranching, and other agriculture-related occupations on a regional basis.

[Regional Conservation Partnership Program](#). \$500 million in funding to advance partner-driven solutions to conservation on agricultural land. Application deadline: August 18, 2023

GRAPE AND WINE SCIENCE CERTIFICATE PROGRAM

Registration for the **2023 Rutgers Grape and Wine Science Certificate Program** is open! Taught by academic and industry experts, the Rutgers Grape and Wine Science Certificate Program is the first of its kind in New Jersey. This introductory course will provide students with the foundational knowledge they need to prepare for positions in the grape growing, winemaking, and related industries. Topics covered in the course include: Viticulture & Vineyard Management, Wine Production & Operations, Microbiology & Chemical Analysis, Sensory Science, Business Development, Sales & Marketing.

Class Dates: July 24-August 18, 2023

Time: Monday-Friday, 9:00am-4:15pm

Location: New Brunswick, NJ 08901

Winery Internship: 4 weeks

Save \$500 if you register by June 26!

Visit: go.Rutgers.edu/grape-wine for more information.

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