

Who am I?

- B.S. Conservation Biology
- M.S. Agroecology
- Agronomy Department- Weed Science
- Dairy Forage Research Center- Perennial Forages
- Soil Science Department- Nutrient Cycling



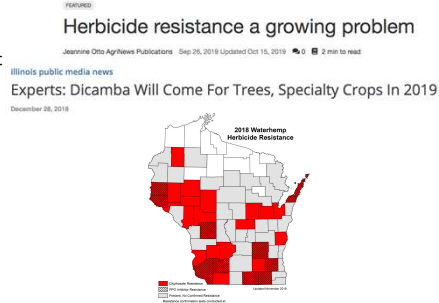
Historic Crop and Soils Programs

- Tractor Safety
- Pesticide Applicator Training
- Soil, Water, and Nutrient Management Meetings
- Agronomy Update
- Dane County Specific- Cover Crops



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- Weed Management
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2020 Needs Assessment Results- Crops and Soils

What % of grain and forage producers thought were extremely/very important topics in regard to educational programming.

Topic	%
Weed and Pest Management	84.4
Soil Health	80.2
No till/conservation tillage	63.6
Nutrient and Manure Management	61.3
Data Management (yield, soil)	54.9
Cover Crops	37.2
Alternative forages or crops	24.5
Organic Methods	15.0

Progress Made So far...

- Wisconsin Cover Crop Conference 2020
 - Spoke and planning committee
- Restart Ag Newsletter
 - Timely Updates
 - Resource Highlight
 - Partner Update
 - Events
- Farmers for the Upper Sugar River Newsletter
- DATCP South West Regional Farmer Led Watershed Group Coordinator



Progress Made So Far...

- Land and Water
 - Conservation Equipment Grant
 - Shade Structure
 - Roller Crimper
 - Interseeder
 - No-Till Planter Program
- Wisconsin Alfalfa Yield and Persistence Study
- Alternative Forage Project



Partners

- Farmers for the Upper Sugar River
- Yahara Pride Farms
- Informal farmer groups
- UW-Madison
- FSA
- Land Conservation Department
- DATCP



Future Goals

- Dane County Demonstration Farm
- Long term monitoring
- Website with live data
- Build peer networks and relationships



Professional Development

- Certified Crop Advisor
- Motivational Interviewing
- Video Making Skills
- Social Media
- Website Skills

