

# Douglas County Conservation District



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Natural Resources Since 1945

## Events Calendar:

**October 2 - Farm Bill Meeting** —1:30 PM at the Douglas County Fair Grounds

**October 5 - Maple Leaf Festival** —with over 300 craft exhibits, quilt shows and displays, performing arts, music, unique food items and activities for the family, the Maple Leaf Festival is the biggest fall family event in the area <https://mapleleafestival.com/>

**October 5 & 6 - Kaw Valley Farm Tour**—The Kaw Valley Farm Tour is the perfect event for friends and families, and a great way to make connections between the farmers in the fields and the foods on our tables. <http://www.kawvalleyfarmtour.org/>

**October 9 - 2019 KSU Agricultural Lenders Conference**—K-State’s annual Agricultural Lenders Conferences are designed to provide the Kansas financial community with updates on current agricultural topics. [http://agmanager.info/sites/default/files/Brochure-2019\\_0.pdf](http://agmanager.info/sites/default/files/Brochure-2019_0.pdf)

**October 9 - Fall Forestry Field Day**—The 25th Annual Fall Forestry Field Day will be at the Geyer Forestry Research Area at Tuttle Creek Lake. Presentations for the day will include a sawmill demonstration, wildlife management, the use of prescribed fire in woodland, invasive plants and pests, and more. <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/fall-forestry-field-day-2019-tickets-69352103007>

**November 1st—January 1st - Christmas in LeCompton**—The Territorial Capital Museum has over 120 Christmas trees with antique, vintage, and themed decorations. <https://www.lecomptonkansas.com/christmas-in-lecompton-nov-1-jan-1/>

**November 8th & 9th—KRC Farm and Food Conference**—Under a theme of “Planting Ideas, Growing Our Future: Carbon, Climate and Communities”, speakers, panelists and workshop sessions will feature presentations and discussions on how biological, human, and economic diversity builds resilience and how we can make it happen on our farms and in our communities. <https://kansaruralcenter.org/2019-conference/>

**December 7th —27th Annual Lawrence Old-Fashioned Christmas Parade**—The Lawrence Christmas Parade is one of the most unique parades in the nation. Authentic horse-drawn carriages parading down Massachusetts Street is the perfect way to kick off the holiday season. <https://lawrencechristmasparade.org>

## New No Till Drill for Small Areas

Perfect for small areas the Dew Drop Drill is a small scale seed drill/planter, designed to be pulled by an ATV with a wide stance, low center of gravity and large aggressive tires. Planting access limited only by your ATV. The twin seed boxes can handle a variety of seed types, including but not limited to: warm and cool season grasses, small and large grains, wild-flowers, forbes and legumes.

### Planting Dates for Kansas

Warm season grasses

December 1 to May 15

Cool season grasses

December 1 to April 15

August 15 to October 1

Native Grasses

December 1 to May 15

Legumes

December 1 to April 15

August 15 to October 1



The rental rate is \$50 check out fee and \$50 per day.  
**Contact the Douglas County Conservation District**  
to schedule your rental.  
785-843-4260 ext 3

*To provide leadership and assistance in promoting individual responsibility for the conservation of Douglas County natural resources.*

## Kansas Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP)

The Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP) provides financial and technical assistance to agricultural and forestry producers to address natural resource concerns and deliver environmental benefits. The EQIP is what NRCS calls "a locally led effort." States identify priority resource concerns that support national, state, and local conservation priorities and develop a ranking system based on those concerns.

In Kansas, the natural resource concerns to be addressed by EQIP are:

- Forestland Health-Productivity, Health, and Vigor
- Grazing Lands Health-Productivity, Health, Vigor; Noxious or Invasive Plants; and Inadequate Stockwater
- Soil Health-Compaction, Organic Matter Depletion
- Livestock Waste-Water Quality and Air Quality
- Water Quality-Nutrients/Pesticides/ Suspended Sediment
- Water Quantity-Inefficient Water Use on Irrigated Land; Aquifer Overdraft; Insufficient Water Flows in Water Courses

**The EQIP application process consists of the following six steps:**

1. A person(s) submits an application to a local U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Service Center, Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) or conservation district office.
2. Kansas EQIP: NRCS personnel will access resource concerns on property.
3. NRCS works with the applicant to develop a conservation plan.
4. NRCS ranks each application using the application evaluation criteria.
5. The designated conservationist commits allocated funds according to ranking order, and NRCS develops contracts with those applicants.
6. Following contract signature by NRCS and the selected participant, funds are obligated for the contract, and the participant may begin to implement the EQIP contract.

For more information contact:

**USDA SERVICE CENTER - LAWRENCE**  
 Timothy R. Miller  
 NRCS Supervisor District Conservationist  
 4920 Bob Billings Parkway  
 Lawrence, KS 66049  
 (785) 843-4260

## LandPride 606NT No Till Drill Available to Rent for Fall Planting



Landowners with tractors of 30-40 horse power will now be able to rent the drill from the district and get their seeding projects completed on a schedule that meets their needs.

The drill can easily be towed behind a pickup truck for travel to and from sites. With three seed boxes, warm season grasses, cool season grasses, and forbs can all be seeded. The rental rate is \$100 check out fee, plus \$10 an acre.

**For more information, estimates, and scheduling/reserving contact:**

**Randy Winchester**  
 Douglas County Conservation District Manager  
 785-843-4260 x 6497  
 Randy.winchster@ks.nacdnet.net

## Mental Health in Agriculture

Working in agriculture is a worthy and honorable profession; however, it is not always easy. It is important to not only care for your crops and livestock, but for yourself as well. In agriculture's high stress atmosphere, your physical and mental health should never be overlooked. For questions or additional help, please contact Mallory Meek, Agriculture and Natural Resources Agent, at 785-843-7058 or [mgmeek@ksu.edu](mailto:mgmeek@ksu.edu).



### **GET HELP NOW: CRISIS RESOURCES**

#### **Identifying Stress**

[Common Signs of Stress & Ways to Help Yourself](#)

[Should I Be Feeling This Way? - KS Wheat](#)

[Understanding Stress and Depression](#)

[Understanding Suicide and Depression](#)

#### **Ways to Manage Farm Stress**

[12 Tools for your wellness toolbox in times of farm stress](#)

[Coping Strategies for Farm Stress](#)

[How to Find an Agriculture Behavioral Health Counselor - KS Wheat](#)

#### **Helping a Neighbor in Need**

[What Can I Do to Help?](#)

[Tips to Help Others - KS Wheat](#)

#### **Financial Guidance**

[Farm Analyst Program](#)

[Kansas Agriculture Mediation Services](#)

[Kansas Farm Management Association](#)

#### **Douglas County Professional Support**

[Bert Nash Community Mental Health Center](#): Education, consultation and outreach services regarding mental health

[Headquarters Counseling Center](#): Professional staff in helping with emotional stress and crisis in Douglas County.

[DCCCA](#): Support for substance abuse, prevention services and behavioral health.

#### **Additional Resources**

##### **Mental Health**

[Farm Crisis Center](#): Offers Disaster, Mental Health, and financial Assistance,

Farm Aid Hotline: (800) 327-6243 M-F 9am-5pm eastern time

##### **Disabilities on the Farm**

[Kansas AgrAbility](#): Assist people with disabilities in agriculture

##### **Opioid Assistance**

[Farm Town Strong](#): Farmer - to - Farmer support to bring attention and help to those struggling with opioid addiction.

[Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration](#)

[\(SAMHSA\)](#): Helps reduce the impact of substance abuse and mental illness.

[Drug Disposal Location Tool](#)

[Fighting the Opioid Epidemic in Farm Country - AFB](#)



## Beef Production and the Working Cow Dog



K-State Research and Extension Coffey County and the Frontier Extension District together will host a meeting, “Beef Production and the Working Cow Dog” Oct. 8 in Williamsburg, Kansas. The meeting starts at 10:00 a.m. at the Williamsburg Community Building.

A complimentary meal will be served, thanks to sponsors, but participants are asked to register by Oct. 3 to ensure an accurate meal count. Register at: [www.frontierdistrict.k-state.edu](http://www.frontierdistrict.k-state.edu) or call the Coffey County Extension Office at 620-364-5313 or Frontier District Office in Lyndon at 785-828-

Presentations will feature Debbie Lyons Blythe, Blythe Angus Ranch and chairman of the Outreach Committee of the U.S. Roundtable for Sustainable Beef, and Patti Dollarhide, value chain director of Kansas State University’s Beef Cattle Institute.

The U.S. Roundtable for Sustainable Beef (USRSB) is a multi-stakeholder organization whose 116 members represent 30% of the nation’s cattle herd, more than 20 billion pounds of beef processed and more than 100 million consumers. Its goal is to identify opportunities for continuous improvement throughout the beef industry.

Laura Stimatze, of Stimatze Working Cow Dogs, Macksville, Kansas, will give a presentation on the possibilities and abilities of a working stock dog.

After lunch, participants will travel to Silkville Ranch where Stimatze will continue her discussion on using cow dogs in a low stress manner to work cattle. Demonstrations of dogs with various levels of training will occur throughout the afternoon. Selecting the right dog or puppy, finding the right trainer, and getting started on training a dog will be discussed. *Written by Rod Schaub [rschaub@ksu.edu](mailto:rschaub@ksu.edu)*

## National Farmer’s Day - October 12th

National Farmer’s Day is a day for everyone to acknowledge the hard work that goes into feeding and supplying a nation. The day generally encourages everyone to thank the farmers and ranchers in their lives and to pay tribute in some way to the unknown individuals who plow, sow, raise, feed, and harvest to provide the food and materials that our country needs to succeed.

The day was set on October 12th because it is after the traditional harvest times of many crops so the farmers would be able to join in the festivities. Developments in agriculture, cold-hardy cultivars, technologies like high tunnels and other methods have been put into practice to extend the growing season so many farmers are still hard at work.

*How will you Thank a Farmer this year?*



## Kansas Forest Service—Conservation Tree Planting Program

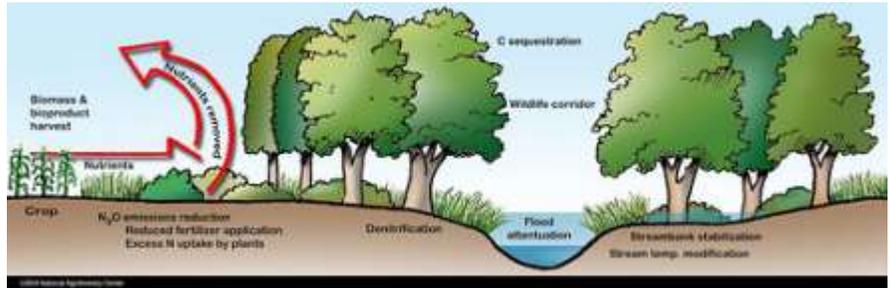
The Kansas Forest Service’s Conservation Tree Planting Program offers tree and shrub seedlings, as well as other items for use in conservation plantings. Plantings may function as wildlife habitat, windbreaks, wood lots, timber plantations, or educational and riparian (streambank) plantings.

The Fall distribution offers only container-grown seedlings and orders are accepted from the first Tuesday of September through October 15th. Shipping usually occurs within one day of receiving the order during Fall distribution.

### Seedling Order Form for 2019

For more information contact:

[Kansas Forest Service](#)  
2610 Claflin Road  
Manhattan, KS 66502  
785.532.3300



## Trees for Clean Water

Addressing water quality issues in Kansas through the Regional Conservation Partnership Program (RCPP) and the Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP)

### About the Program



This initiative provides funding through the Regional Conservation Partnership Program (RCPP) and the Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP) to reduce farmland lost to streambank erosion, and improve the health and productivity of woodlands in

priority watersheds. The program seeks to improve water quality and reduce the sedimentation of federal reservoirs through tree planting and forest stand improvement. Forestland, cropland, and grassland all have the potential to qualify for the program if a resource concern is identified. Primary resource concerns for the program are water quality degradation from soil erosion and the health and condition of trees in woodlands and forests. Specific examples of resource concerns may include:

- Streambank and/or surface runoff erosion where additional tree planting can provide reduction in sediment, pesticide and nutrient entry into Kansas streams.

- Forest or woodlands that are over crowded (need thinning), are under-stocked and would benefit from additional tree planting; contain a high percentage of invasive or undesirable trees and shrubs.

### Eligibility and Requirements

The program is available in targeted watersheds shown as cross-hatched areas on the state map below. If you are unsure if your land is in a targeted watershed call 785-532-3310 or e-mail [atchison@ksu.edu](mailto:atchison@ksu.edu).

- Applicants must be engaged in agricultural production, forest management or have interest in the agricultural or forestry operation associated with the land offered for enrollment in RCPP/EQIP.
- Tenants may apply with written support from landowners.
- Land must have a resource concern as determined by Kansas Forest Service district foresters or NRCS district conservationists.

### Trees for Clean Water brochure



## Farmland Information Center



Photo by Danielle Quigley, University of Delaware, Agricultural, Communications

The Farmland Information Center (FIC) is a clearing-house for information about farmland protection and stewardship. It is a partnership between the USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) and American Farmland Trust (AFT), authorized by the federal Farmland Protection Policy Act (FPPA).

<https://www.farmlandinfo.org/about>

The FIC website offers a comprehensive collection of resources about farm and ranch land protection, on-farm conservation and agricultural viability. Our online learning center includes fact sheets, articles and reports; federal, state and local laws and legislative updates; sample documents; statistics, including figures from the National Resources Inventory and the Census of Agriculture; and multimedia resources.

The FIC serves agricultural landowners and farmers; concerned citizens; planners, local, state and federal officials; land trusts and lawmakers. FIC answer service staff inform landowners about farmland protection options and conservation programs to improve on-farm stewardship. They help communities and states create new or improve existing policies and programs to reduce agricultural land conversion, permanently protect land and support the business of agriculture.

The FIC is a member of the [Agriculture Network Information Center](#) (AgNIC), an alliance of the National Agricultural Library, land-grant university libraries and other organizations that provide online access to agricultural information.

## KANSAS HUNTERS FEEDING THE HUNGRY

*Just ONE deer can feed nearly 200 hungry people in the state of Kansas.*

Kansas Hunters Feeding the Hungry (KSHFH) is a non-profit organization for hunters to donate legally-harvested deer, antelope, or elk and provide food for hungry Kansans. With the help of hunters, meat processors, and private donors, KSHFH annually provides thousands of meals to food banks across the Kansas. KSHFH invites hunters to donate any legally-harvested deer, antelope, elk, or moose to one of the more than 40 participating meat processors around the state found at [www.kshfh.org/lockers](http://www.kshfh.org/lockers).

*Since 2001, over 12,000 deer donated, feeding nearly 3 MILLION meals to hungry Kansans.*

It's always a good idea to call ahead before taking your deer to a processor, but walk-ins are welcome. There is no cost to donate your deer as long as the KSHFH organization has sufficient funding to cover the processing expense. Donated game must be field dressed and legally tagged. For more information on how you can help, or make a financial donation visit [www.kshfh.org](http://www.kshfh.org).



**For more information on Kansas Hunters Feeding the Hungry or to make a donation contact:**

**Tony DeRossett, President KSHFH**

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[TonyD@kshfh.org](mailto:TonyD@kshfh.org)



**The Kansas Land Trust (KLT)** protects and preserves lands of ecological, agricultural, scenic, historic, or recreational significance in Kansas. Our mission is to preserve both agricultural and natural landscapes, across the state of Kansas. You can find a collection of videos featuring some of the Kansas Land Trust's Douglas County conservation easements created by a young filmmaker Justin Hauber on the KLT website <http://www.klt.org/videos>

To date, KLT has preserved more than 38,000 acres, across 73 properties in Kansas, with more than 1,100 of those acres being open to the public. Within those 38,000 acres, over 132 miles of riparian buffers are being protected along Kansas streams. KLT works to preserve lands of high ecological, agricultural, scenic, recreational or historic value.

KLT is currently working on six conservation projects that will preserve 1,400 acres of prairie, woodlands, prime farmland, and protected streams.

Below are a few ways you can work with KLT.

**Conservation Easements**—A voluntary partnership and legal agreement between a landowner and a conservation organization that limits future development of the land. Conservation Easements can be a cost-effective tool for land owners to realize their long-term vision for their land, while retaining ownership and receiving support through federal income tax benefits.

**Land Stewardship** -Like any valuable asset, land requires care and management to permanently pre-

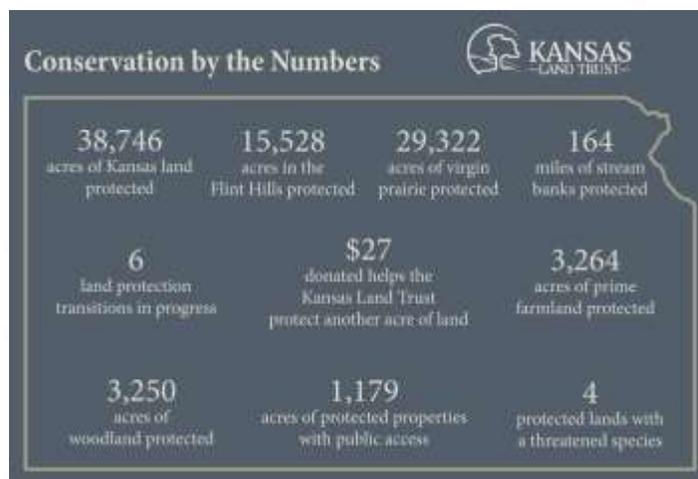
serve its important qualities. KLT and the landowner work together as stewards of the lands to be preserved. KLT also monitors protected lands over time, as the land changes ownership, to assure that the conservation values of each unique property remain in place.

**Land Restoration**- When holding a conservation easement on private lands, KLT can provide landowners with information and expertise on restoring lands with threatened or real impacts to the conservation values of the land.

**Donated Lands**—For some landowners, the best method of guaranteeing that the land they love will be forever protected is to donate the land to a qualified organization, like KLT.

Donations can include all or just a part of the landowner's property. KLT offers some programs with funding to purchase conservation easements. For more information on donating land for conservation purposes, please call the KLT office at 785-749-3297.

**Conservation Policy** - KLT works with other conservation organizations in Kansas and nationally to encourage local, state and federal governments to adopt land use and management decisions that will assure responsible growth that is compatible with the protection of our State's most valuable natural and historic resources and farm and ranch lands.



For more information on these and other conservation resources, email [information@klt.org](mailto:information@klt.org) or call us at 785-749-3297.

## 2019 KRC Farm & Food Conference

November 8 - November 9

Drury Plaza Broadview Hotel



### CONFERENCE REGISTRATION NOW OPEN!

Early bird registration to attend the two-day conference is available at \$70 per day or \$135 for both days until Sept. 30th. After that registration will be \$75 per day or \$145 for both days. Scholarships and student rates available. Please inquire at [info@kansasruralcenter.org](mailto:info@kansasruralcenter.org).

### Planting Ideas, Growing Our Future: Carbon, Climate and Communities

The Kansas Rural Center (KRC) will hold its annual Farm and Food Conference Friday and Saturday, November 8-9, 2019 in Wichita at the Drury Plaza Broadview Hotel. This year, the two-day program will include a Friday evening anniversary celebration of KRC's 40 Years as the voice for sustainable agriculture and a sustainable food system in Kansas.

Friday evening's 40th Anniversary Celebration will be part of conference registration but also open to non-conference attendees for "\$40 for 40" and feature an extensive local food buffet of snacks and hors d'oeuvres, local wine and beer, music and old friends.

Under a theme of "Planting Ideas, Growing Our Future: Carbon, Climate and Communities", speakers, panelists, and workshop sessions will feature presentations and discussions on how biological, human, and economic diversity builds resilience and how we can

make it happen on our farms and in our communities.

The keynoter for day one is Fred Iutzi, President of The Land Institute, who will address "Agriculture's role in economic justice and ecological sustainability" exploring new ways to produce food in a redesigned agricultural system that will meet our needs in a changing climate. Day two will feature keynoter Becca Jablonski, Colorado State University Local Foods Agricultural Economist, on "Bridging the Urban/Rural Divide Through Local/Regional Food Systems".

Both days will feature 12 workshops each day ranging from thought-provoking presentations on hot issues to practical how-to's for your farm or community and organizing how-to's for advocacy and grassroots engagement.



### Managing Farm Stress from Michigan State University

The demands of farming life are plentiful—unpredictable growing seasons, equipment breakdowns and more. Unfortunately,

these demands take a toll on the dedicated people who drive our agriculture industry, which can lead to stress, mental health issues and even suicide.

MSU Extensions has programs that can help both farmers and their families learn more about the causes and cost of stress. Each program offers participants valuable skills that they can start using to help manage stress and anger. [https://www.canr.msu.edu/managing\\_farm\\_stress/](https://www.canr.msu.edu/managing_farm_stress/)

**"Bury Seeds, Not Stress," a free, comprehensive four-course webinar series** For the past several years, Michigan State University Extension has been building [a suite of resources](#) to help farming professionals take care of their mental health. Now, in recognition of September as National Suicide Prevention Month, MSU Extension is proud to announce a new addition to the farm stress toolbox: [https://www.canr.msu.edu/managing\\_farm\\_stress/bury-seeds-not-stress](https://www.canr.msu.edu/managing_farm_stress/bury-seeds-not-stress)



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The Douglas County Conservation District (DCCD) provides the List of Contractors and Vendors as an information source for Land Owners only.

If you are a Contractor or Vendor and would like to be added to this list, please contact the Douglas County Conservation District .

785-843-4260 x 3

[douglasccd1@gmail.com](mailto:douglasccd1@gmail.com)

### **BRUSH CLEARING**

**Joe Bauman**  
785-489-2416

**Ralph Guffey**  
785-633-5498

**Farmer Excavating Inc**  
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**Smitty's Fence**  
Tyler Schmidt  
913-683-3656

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**Jon Haggard**  
785-331-9118

### **NATIVE GRASS DRILLS**

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<http://kinseyag.com/>

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<https://www.kansasforests.org/>

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