

Meetings and Educational Opportunities

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This is an exciting season for UW-Discovery Farms. It is meeting season. This is the time of year that we get to report on what we are finding, and help the industry use this information to move forward. This year, we are not only speaking and presenting at meetings hosted by others, but we are holding a few of our own gatherings as well.

On October 20, a meeting for professional crop consultants and others working with producers was held in Wisconsin Dells. The title of the conference was “Managing Ag Lands to Control Nutrient and Sediment Losses.” Agricultural professionals from across the state met to learn about and discuss findings from UW-Discovery Farms research. The meeting was very successful, as all participants reported a broader understanding of findings after completing this workshop. Discovery Farms staff presented information about methodology behind gathering data, preliminary results from tile line monitoring, updates on research results found in the last four years, and an update on progress of the Certified Nutrient Management Plan project.

Another learning opportunity took place in early November at the PDPW Dairy Policy Summit held in Madison, WI. Attending this conference were industry leaders, policy makers, University personnel and also producers. UW-Discovery Farms staff presented information along with many other environmental representatives throughout the state. Presenters included UW-Discovery Farms staff, DNR representatives, County Soil and Water Conservationists, representatives from WDATCP and WI Towns Associations, as well as other private companies and other Universities from Wisconsin and neighboring states.

Other upcoming opportunities include:

January 10, 11, 12- How to Evaluate a Nutrient Management Plan Jan. 10-Richland Center, Jan. 11-Fond du Lac, Jan. 12-Chippewa Falls **Contact Kevan Klingberg for details.**

Jan. 17-19-WI Fertilizer, Aglime and Pest Management Conference and Tradeshow
Alliant Energy Center, Madison, WI

Jan. 26- Wisconsin Pork Producers Meeting, Dennis Frame speaks in the afternoon

Jan. 26 and 27Phosphorus-based Nutrient Management and Feed Management

Jan. 26-Chippewa Falls, Jan. 27-Arlington; **Contact Kevan Klingberg for details.**

March 7 Discovery Farms presents data findings at Chippewa Valley Technical College

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March 15- UW-Discovery Farms Steering Committee Meeting, Arlington, WI

For more key dates, visit www.discoveryfarms.org/new/calendar.htm