



We hope that you're enjoying your Labor Day weekend. For us, Labor Day is the gateway to a new academic year, filled with hope and renewed commitment to discovery, innovation, and service to our communities.

“All labor that uplifts humanity has dignity and importance and should be undertaken with painstaking excellence.” – Martin Luther King (1963) in *Strength of Love*, Harper and Row, New York, NY.

Action items:

- We're looking forward to seeing everyone in St. Louis for the 2025 Joint agInnovation and Cooperative Extension Meeting, September 15-18. During the joint meeting, we'll be gathering as an Association on September 17, from 2:00-5:00 PM. We've posted to our website an [agenda for the meeting](#). As a heads up, there's a bit of homework for the meeting. As a teaser, Jason Hubbart will be presenting a vision for the future, Rethinking the Research Enterprise. We're sharing his [one-pager that outlines resources for the presentation](#) (4 journal articles and audio overviews). You'll also be doing an evaluation of the agInnovation Northeast Office of the Executive Director (OED). A [list of OED accomplishments](#) accompanies the meeting agenda.
- For those interested in doing a tour of the Bayer facilities in St. Louis immediately after the joint meeting adjourns, we've posted a [registration form](#). Please complete the form and forward to Lisa Williamson (lmwilliamson1@ncat.edu).
- Continuing: Please share with us any problems that your

investigators encounter while initiating multistate projects in NRS. This includes deferral or rejection decisions. Please [contact Rick](#) or enter the issue anonymously on our [agInnovation Northeast Comment Submission Form](#).

Reminders/Updates:

- We hear you! Several directors asked for our monthly call to be moved (it conflicted with NEED's standing call). Our next scheduled Zoom calls will be held at 8:00 AM on October 16, November 20, and December 18. Agendas and connection details will be sent to you prior to the meeting.
 - The [2025 Northeast Management Officers \(NEMO\) Conference](#) will be held from October 20-22, 2025, in Ithaca, NY at the Ithaca Downtown Conference Center. You can register, book your room, and download the agenda on the conference website.
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Informational items:

- Sara Delheimer shares the MRF Impacts Toolkit for September at <https://www.mrfimpacts.org/september-2025>. Check out the lead "recent impact statement" from NE1939 *Improving the Health of Older Adults*! This toolkit shares Hatch Multistate projects that are related to timely themes and priority topics. We encourage you to use the materials in the toolkit.
- The BAA Communications and Marketing Committee also shares their September Toolkit, [Building Solutions: Funding for the Research Facilities Act](#). Give it a look!
- The Washington State University and the College of Agricultural, Human, and Natural Resource Sciences (CAHNRS) seeks an Associate Dean and Director for the Office of Research to serve as a member of the Dean's Executive team and provide visionary leadership to the research enterprise of CAHNRS. Visit hrs.wsu.edu/careers (Search #R-13743).
- The Washington State University College of Agricultural, Human, and Natural Resources Sciences is seeking applicants for the position of Meat Scientist (Beef) with the rank of Assistant Professor. Visit the [WSU Jobs website](#) to view the position description and apply.
- *The forever green reminder:* In past newsletters, we've made a pitch for "station" photos for both the agInnovation Northeast website and The Parting Shot. We encourage you to share shots from your libraries as well as other image sources (like today's pic!)

Please [forward pictures to us](#) with a caption and a photo credit.

From the Archive:

- *The context:* We've posted under the "Resource pull down menu" on the agInnovation Northeast website a revised guide titled [Administrative Adviser Guidance \(2025\)](#). Check it out!

The Parting Shot:



Cheers to Margaret, the recently retired Director of the Cornell University Agricultural Experiment Station! (photo courtesy of Bonnie Ferguson).

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