



It's mid-August and we're rapidly approaching the beginning of a new fall semester. As we've shared previously, take some time away from the office and recharge!

Please check out the action items, especially those related to meetings.

"You are... persistently on the attack... pressing forward and persevering... setting your whole heart and soul to the one task, however modest... and never letting go." – Georges (Dominique) Pire (1958) in [Nobel Peace Prize Lecture, Brotherly Love: Foundation of Peace](#), December 11, 1958.

Action items:

- [Registration is now open](#) for the 2025 Joint agInnovation and Cooperative Extension Meeting. The meeting will be held at the Westport Chalet Hotel in St Louis, MO on September 15-18, 2025. [You can book your room using this link](#). As a heads up, the room block closes on August 25, 2025. Our apologies for the delay in sharing the registration and room block! For those interested in doing a tour of the Bayer facilities in St. Louis immediately after the meeting adjourns, we've posted a [registration form](#). Please complete the form and forward to Lisa Williamson.
- agInnovation Northeast will host a face-to-face meeting during the 2025 Joint Meeting on September 17 from 2-3:00 PM. While a detailed agenda will be shared with you by email, two important items to be discussed include the evaluation of the office of the executive director and an unveiling of the agInnovation Northeast

Chair's initiatives for the upcoming year. Stay tuned!

- The notes from our August 14 zoom call are [posted on the agInnovation Northeast website](#). Take a look!
- 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.
- 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.
- Many thanks for submitting your assessment payments. We truly appreciate the value that you ascribe to agInnovation Northeast and the confidence that you have in us!
- 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:

- Continuing: We have two Administrative Adviser (AA) slots that remain open. Here are the projects seeking replacements (current AA is in parentheses). Please [contact Rick and David](#) to share your interest in serving.
 - NECC2202: *Formal Structure for the Minor Use Animal Drug Program* (Margaret Smith)
 - NECC29: *Corn Improvement Conference* (Margaret Smith)
- The Communications and Marketing Committee has posted the August communications toolkit titled "[Our Year in Review](#)." Check it out!
- Sara Delheimer has shared the Multistate Research Fund Impacts toolkit for August: <https://www.mrfimpacts.org/august-2025>. There are a lot of great projects featured for National Water Quality Month and National Wellness Month. Please use this toolkit and share the materials and sample posts.

- We in the agInnovation Northeast office are assisting the Northeast Administrative Heads and gathering the group for a regional zoom call later this summer. While we haven't yet identified time/date, we look forward to reconnecting our NE deans.
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Informational items:

- agInnovation will be hosting Lewis-Burke Associates on August 19 from 2:00-3:30 PM ET to continue the discussion on on-going legislation and funding to the Land-grant university system. We'll forward connection details by email.
 - NIFA Director Jaye Hamby has encouraged the Land-grant University community to schedule him for campus visits in the upcoming year. If you wish to invite Director Hamby to your campus, the most surefire way to get on the schedule is to submit the online form at the following link: <https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=5zZb7e4BvE6GfuA8-g1GI9WjjyyF44VBuURHIMvgQERUM08wMjFFNjdPQzAwVEg5UEJVVVFIFVDRFTC4u>.
 - The University of Wisconsin-Madison's Wisconsin State Laboratory of Hygiene (WSLH) invites applications for the position of National Atmospheric Deposition Program (NADP) Principal Investigator/Coordinator and Research Scientist. The NADP is also known to agInnovation as NRSP3. Visit the [University of Wisconsin-Madison website](#) for more information about the position.
 - Washington State University and the College of Agricultural, Human, and Natural Resources 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. Applications will be accepted until September 1, 2025. [Visit the WSU website](#) and search for position #R-13743 for more information about the position.
 - 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. Please [forward pictures to us](#) with a caption and a photo credit.
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From the Archive:

- The context: Many new directors/associate directors have recently joined agInnovation Northeast. We have a brief guide

posted on the agInnovation Northeast website under the pulldown menu, Resources, titled “[Northeast Directors Onboarding Document](#)”. This guide provides an overview of agInnovation Northeast, who are we and what do we do?

The Parting Shot:



A happy finisher (Rick) after completing the inaugural Ocean State Crossing, a 15-mile, open ocean paddleboard race (photo courtesy

of Josh Edenbaum photography).

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