Agriculture Recovery Resource Days Scheduled in Additional Southwest Virginia Counties

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BRISTOL, Va.— Commonwealth, federal, local, and nonprofit agencies are coming together to hold Agricultural Recovery Resource Days, where staff from over 15 participating organizations share resources with farmers and agribusinesses impacted by Hurricane Helene in southwest Virginia.

Farmers, private forest owners, and agribusiness owners can attend whichever event best fits their schedule and can drop in any time during the hours listed. For latest information, please visit: www.fema.gov/event/hurricane-helene-virginia-agriculture-recovery-resource-day.

The next Agriculture Recovery Resource Days will be held on:

Thursday, Nov. 7

Open from 9 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Highlands Fellowship Church

22417 Watauga Road, Abingdon VA 24211

Saturday, Nov. 9

Open from 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Wytheville Meeting Center

333 Community Boulevard, Wytheville VA 24382

Tuesday, Nov. 12



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Open from 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Chilhowie Christian Church

172 Apple Valley Road

Chilhowie, VA 24319

Thursday Nov. 14

Open from 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Glamorgan Chapel

183 Southmark Road SW

Wise, VA 24293

The following agencies will be present at the Agriculture Recovery Resource Days to answer questions about grants, loans, and other resources available for the agricultural community:

Federal agencies:

- Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)
- U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA)
- USDA Farm Service Agency (USDA FSA)
- USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (USDA NRCS)
- USDA Rural Development (USDA RD)

State agencies:

- Virginia Department of Emergency Management
- Virginia Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services
- Virginia Department of Forestry
- Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation
- Virginia Department of Environmental Quality
- Virginia Department of Health
- Virginia Cooperative Extension
- Virginia State University Small Farm Resource Center



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- Virginia Tobacco Region Revitalization Commission
- Virginia Small Business Financing Authority

Local agencies and organizations:

- Virginia Farm Bureau
- Virginia Cattlemen's Association
- Farm Credit of the Virginias
- First Bank & Trust
- Agrisafe Network
- Local Soil & Water Conservation Districts

For information about commonwealth and federal resources for agribusinesses, see Help for Virginia Agribusinesses and Farmers Fact Sheet.



Impacted producers speaking with FEMA staff at the first Agriculture Recovery Resource Day on Oct. 29 in Grayson County, Va. More than 100 households attended the event. (Johannes Webb / FEMA)



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For additional disaster recovery resources, visit <u>vaemergency.gov</u>, the <u>Virginia</u> <u>Department of Emergency Management Facebook page</u>, <u>fema.gov/disaster/4831</u> and facebook.com/FEMA.

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