



## DATCP encourages visitors to build connections at Farm Tech Days

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MADISON – Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection (DATCP) Secretary Ben Brancel encourages farmers and members of the public to visit the Wisconsin Farm Technology Days, which is held annually to highlight the latest in agricultural technology improvements and brings together state and national experts on a variety of agricultural topics. This year's show is being held from August 25<sup>th</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> at the Statz Bros. farm, 5875 CR VV, Marshall.

"Farm Technology Days combines commercial exhibits, field demonstrations, farm tours and fun," said Brancel. "I hope farmers will come to the event to hear the latest research, gain greater understanding of current issues and learn about available programs and services. Visitors can tour the farm, learn about new technologies and learn how food gets from the farm to the table."

DATCP staff will be available throughout the event to connect with attendees. All agency displays will include an interactive activity and resources for both farmers and visitors.

At this year's show, DATCP will highlight seven agency programs including:

- Bureau of Consumer Protection
- Division of Food Safety
- Wisconsin Agricultural Statistics Service
- Pollinator protection
- Wisconsin Farm Center
- Division of Animal Health
- Nutrient management

"As part of our agency's focus on customer service, we want to ensure that attendees can learn about topics of interest to them and get their questions answered," added Brancel. "I enjoy visiting Farm Technology Days each year and hope that all attendees are able to take advantage of the many exhibits and resources that are available."

To learn more about Farm Technology Days, visit [danecofarmtech.com](http://danecofarmtech.com). Connect with DATCP on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) and [Flickr](#). Find all of DATCP's services on the website at [datcp.wisconsin.gov](http://datcp.wisconsin.gov).

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