

SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT



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Dueppengiesser Dairy Co. awarded Conservation Farm of the Year

Wyoming County Soil and Water Conservation District is pleased to announce that this year's recipient of the Conservation Farm of the Year Award is Dueppengiesser Dairy Co. of Perry, NY. This award is given each year to honor a farm with an immeasurable commitment to soil conservation and water quality protection.

The family members are Arnold and Sharyon Dueppengiesser, Peter, Roxanne, Jacob and Jared Dueppengiesser and Mike, Wendy, Stephanie, Rebekah and Ryan Dueppengiesser.

In 1953 Arnold Dueppengiesser came to America from Germany and 7 years later, in 1960 he purchased his Uncle's farm in Clarence Center, milking 36 cows and farming 300 acres. In 1969, Arnold and his young family moved to Perry starting again with 300 acres and 110 cows. He purchased 2 more farms which brought the operation to 750 acres by 1989. In 1990 Arnold decided to hand the reigns over to his sons Peter and Mike who took over ownership. His sons built a 400 cow freestall in 1990 and have continued to grow the dairy and crop acres.

The farm is currently milking 1000 cows with 950 young stock and working 2000 acres of corn, alfalfa and wheat. The farm employs 20 full time people as well as several part time employees.

Dueppengiesser Dairy Co. has implemented several conservation practices



on their farm such as zonetill/limited tillage, cover crops on all HEL land, drainage tile, diversion ditches and drop inlets, dragline manure system to reduce compaction, sand/solid manure separation and 2 silage leachate collection systems.

The farm has also hosted several educational programs, such as Farm Bureau School Education Program, Agri-Palooza and the 2015 Western New York Soil Health Field Day.

Dueppengiesser Dairy Co. stated that it's still a family farm bringing in a new generation. Peter has 2 sons, Jake and Jarad who are attending Cornell and have a special interest in the dairy and the registered cattle part of the business. Mike has 2 daughters, Stephanie and Rebekah and one son Ryan who is in 10th grade at Perry High School and enjoys the crop side of the business. "Family working together alongside with great employees, who we are so thankful for, have made us successful," Mike Dueppengiesser.



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 Presented By: Supervisor Berwanger

AEM Farmers Partnering to Protect Our Environment Award
 Mohler Dairy Farm, Wyoming, NY
 Family: Brian & Charity, and their children Krista, Coniah, Katie, Isaiah, and Jacob.
 (Unable to attend the banquet)

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Western New York Soil Health Field Day *hosted by Dueppengiesser Dairy Co.*



The Western New York Soil Health Field Day was held on September 2 at Dueppengiesser Dairy Company in Perry, NY. The event was a partnership between Wyoming County Soil and Water Conservation District, Wyoming County NRCS, Western New York Crop Management Association, and American Farmland Trust.

Over 130 farmers, consultants, and educators from across the region attended. The Field Day focused on live demonstrations of soil health techniques and featured key note speakers Ray Archuleta and Frank Gibbs. Some of the highlights are below!



Cover Crop Seed Mixture Demonstration Plots



Frank Gibb's Smoke Machine
(shows the importance of soil biota to soil structure)



Reduced Tillage Equipment Demonstrations



Interseeded Cover Crops

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Frank Gibbs shows how water and air flows through soil

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FREE Trees for Streamside Properties in the Genesee River Basin

Free native trees and shrubs are now available to streamside property owners in the Genesee River Basin. Trees and shrubs planted along streambanks provide many important ecosystem services. They help filter nutrients and sediment out of runoff before these pollutants can reach streams. The roots help stabilize streambanks, making them less prone to erosion and more resilient against flooding. They provide habitat for fish and wildlife species and even help keep streams cool, which is necessary for many fish species. Planting trees along streamsides is an inexpensive way to protect our water quality, our fish and wildlife, and our property!

New York State is now helping property owners plant more trees on streamsides. It has just expanded its Trees for Tribs program to include 4 priority areas in the Genesee River Basin, including the Oatka Creek subwatershed, Upper Black Creek subwatershed (upstream of Byron), Honeoye Creek subwatershed, and the main stem of the Genesee River from Mt Morris to Scottsville. The program provides free native trees and shrubs, tree tubes (to protect against deer), and planting design services to property owners. In turn, the property owners plant the trees and shrubs (often with the help of friends or volunteers), water the new plants, and agree to protect them from cutting or mowing.

We have the goal of planting 15,000 trees in these Genesee River priority areas in 2016!

If you own property in one of the priority areas and have a stream on your property, you are eligible for free trees and shrubs. To find out more information on the Genesee River Basin Trees for Tribs Program, please contact Kim Falbo at (585) 786-5070 ext 121 or kfalboswcd@gmail.com.

**Visit the Genesee River Basin
Trees for Tribs website**

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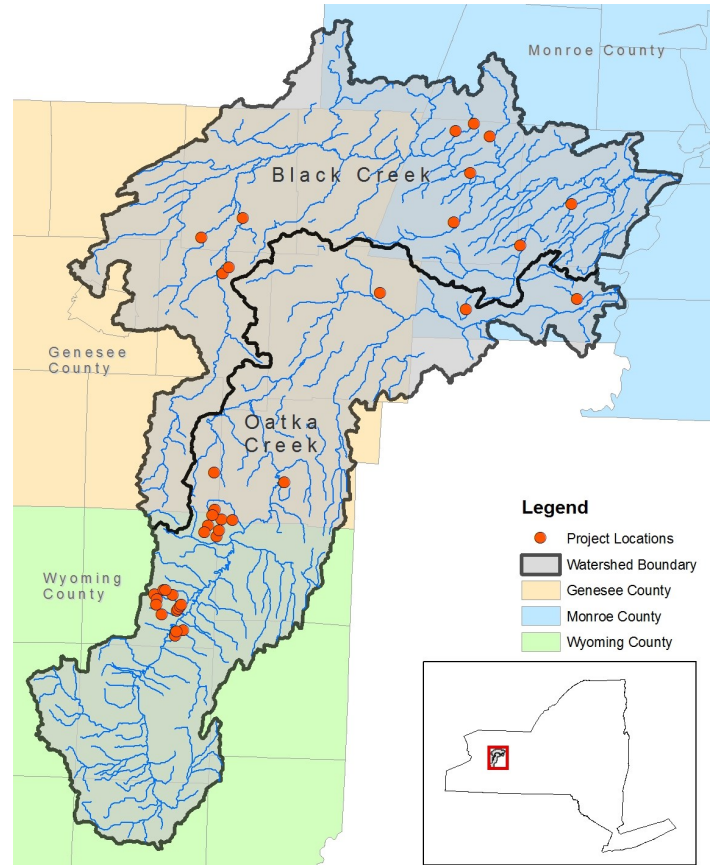


Great Lakes Commission Erosion & Sediment Control Grant

A Joint Project Between Wyoming, Monroe and Genesee County

Soil and Water Conservation Districts

In December of 2010, the Wyoming County Soil & Water Conservation District received a grant from the Great Lakes Commission for erosion and sediment control on agricultural lands in the Black and Oatka Creek Watershed as part of the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative. The Black and Oatka Creek Watersheds had been identified as priority contributors of sediment loading into the Genesee River and Lake Ontario. Through this project, known as the *Black and Oatka Creeks Sediment Reduction Project*, the Soil and Water Conservation Districts in Genesee, Monroe and Wyoming Counties were able to assist 23 farm operations in these important watershed areas with the implementation of erosion and sediment control Best Management Practices (BMP's). A subsequent agricultural nonpoint source pollution abatement and control program grant from the NYS Department of Agricultural and Markets helped further the goals and objectives of this project. After nearly 5 years of planning, public outreach, BMP design and implementation, the project is now complete. The original project goal of saving 2,215 tons of soil on agricultural land was exceeded by nearly 62%. A total of \$418,444.25 in federal dollars was matched with NYS funding to complete the following projects:



Animal Trails & Walkways	1,400 feet
Cover Cropping	2,141.5 acres
Cropland to Pasture Conversion	81 acres
Diversion Ditches	1,325 feet
Forage & Biomass Plantings	13 acres
Forested Riparian Buffers	0.77 acres
Grade Control Structures	8
Grass Waterways	6.2 acres (5,410 feet)
Lined Waterways	2,033 feet
Riparian Herbaceous Buffers	7 acres
Stream Crossings	2
Streambank Stabilization	1,250 feet
Stripcropping	111.4 acres
Underground Outlets	33,300 feet
Water & Sediment Control Basins	39
Water Control Structures	1

Total Soil Savings
3,567.85
Tons/Year



Grade Control Structure, Wyoming County



Stripcropping, Genesee County



WASCOB, Monroe County



Lined Waterway, Wyoming County



Animal Walkway, Genesee County



Radish and Wheat Cover Crops, Monroe County

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