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UMASH and the other ten US Ag Centers participated in National Farm Safety and Health Week to highlight agricultural safety and health and available safety resources for agricultural workers and their families.

The theme “Putting Farm Safety into Practice” stresses the importance of building safety into your farm practices every day.

**HOW ARE YOU PUTTING SAFETY INTO PRACTICE ON YOUR FARM?**

✓ **Check-out the AgriSafe webinars** from National Farm Safety and Health Week. The recordings are available for on-demand viewing through October 13th.


   Staying Cool In Your Region’s Heat  
   Respiratory Protection and On-Farm Fit Testing for Agricultural Workers  
   Children and Youth: Living, working and playing safely on farms  
   Addressing the Epidemic of ATV Injuries and Deaths  
   Prevention Strategies to Reduce Respiratory Exposures and Illnesses in Agriculture

✓ **Visit the U.S. Agricultural Centers You Tube Channel** with over 100 videos on agricultural safety and health, including many in Spanish. Subscribe to be notified when new videos are available.

✓ **Connect with us on social media** for safety tips, news and resources you can put into practice on your farm or worksite.

✓ **Find the US Agricultural Centers in your region** and learn about their research and available safety resources.

**MORE RESOURCES TO PUT SAFETY INTO PRACTICE**

**UMASH Farm Safety Check**
[umash.umn.edu/umash-farm-safety-check](http://umash.umn.edu/umash-farm-safety-check)
Downloadable safety checklists on a different topic each month, customizable for your farm operation.

**NASDonline.org**
[www.nasdonline.org](http://www.nasdonline.org)
A national database of agricultural health and safety resources.

**Cultivate Safety**
[www.cultivatesafety.org](http://www.cultivatesafety.org)
Resources for keeping children and youth safe in agricultural and rural environments.

**eXtension.org**
[www.extension.org](http://www.extension.org)
Collaborative resource for land-grant universities for extension professionals and the public.
Have you, a family member or employee been injured or had a close call driving farm equipment on public roadways?

Here are a few lighting and marking tips from our colleagues at the Great Plains Center for Agricultural Health (GPCAH) to help you make sure your farm equipment can be easily seen by other drivers on the road.

⇒ Outline your equipment with reflective marking on the widest points. (see figure)
⇒ Use a slow-moving vehicle (SMV) emblem, and keep it clean and visible.
⇒ Make sure all equipment lights work, such as flashing amber lights, and turn the lights on as you drive on the roads (even in the daytime).
⇒ Consider adding red taillights to towed equipment.
⇒ If possible, avoid traveling on roadways in the dark.
⇒ Always use turning signals.

LEARN MORE

AG HEALTH AND SAFETY SPOTLIGHT
When machines meet the road: resources to prevent farm equipment crashes on roadways
READ THE ARTICLE AT: umash.umn.edu/spotlight-roadway-safety

YOUTUBE VIDEOS

Agricultural Vehicle Lighting and Marking Requirements
Roadway Safety and Agricultural Vehicle Lighting and Marking

Are you using ATVs on your farm operation?

A new 6-part video series, Safer ATV Riding on Farms and Ranches, is now available. Ideal for training workers and youth about the dangers of ATV riding and safer ATV riding on or off the farm. Video topics:

• Introduction to Safer Riding on ATVs in Agriculture
• Clothing and Protective Gear that You Need when Riding your ATV in Agriculture
• Know how to operate your ATV controls to improve your safety
• Riding Strategies for Improving your Safety on ATVs in Agriculture
• Riding Uphill, Downhill, Traversing, and Other Advanced Techniques on your ATV
• Review of Key Points for Safer ATV Riding in Agriculture.
 UMASH EMERGING ISSUES PROGRAM

The goal of the Emergent Issues Program is to identify and respond to emerging or re-emerging issues that may impact the health and well-being of the agricultural workforce and their families. We are asking for your help to keep us informed about emerging issues in agricultural safety and health.
If you see or hear of a new or re-emerging issue in agricultural health and safety that we should be aware of, please complete our NEW online submission tool.

umash.umn.edu/emerging-issues

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

Midwest Center for Occupational Health and Safety Education and Research Center

APPLICATION DEADLINE: October 27

Grants up to $20,000 are available to occupational health and safety researchers in Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota, and Wisconsin.

mcohs.umn.edu/pilot-projects-rfp

WISCONSIN TRACTOR ROLLBAR REBATES AVAILABLE FOR 2017-18

The Wisconsin Rollover Protective Structure (ROPS) Rebate Program has been funded for a sixth consecutive year, enabling Wisconsin farmers to retrofit rollbars onto their tractors at a reduced cost.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Dairy Farm Safety Symposium
Dairy World Expo
October 5
Madison, Wisconsin

National FFA Convention
October 25-28
Indianapolis, Indiana

2017 Women Food and Ag Network (WFAN) Conference
November 2-4
Madison, Wisconsin

Midwest Rural Agricultural Safety and Health Conference (MRASH)
November 14-15
Pella, Iowa

Minnesota Milk Producers Dairy Conference & Expo
November 28-29
Welch, Minnesota

National Association of Agricultural Educators Convention
December 5-9
Nashville, Tennessee

Learn more and view full event list at: umash.umn.edu/upcoming-events