#### The Monthly Feedstuff - Grazing cost-share available

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# Grazing infrastructure cost-share is back! Apply today

We're excited to announce that PFI has funding for new grazing infrastructure cost-share programs in 2023!

If you're an aspiring or existing grazier who wishes to adopt regenerative practices, you could receive up to \$5,000 to purchase **portable fencing supplies**, water transport supplies and **portable housing for grazing livestock**.

#### Submit your application by Oct. 1.

Hear **Heath Hoppes**, a previous cost-share recipient, talk about how he integrated croplivestock grazing in <u>this webinar recording</u>.

## **PROGRAM UPDATES**

# Tap into a community of knowledge-sharing with a PFI membership



Join over 6,000 farmers, landowners and supporters in PFI's network who can provide practical advice on production, conservation and business management practices.

In addition to connecting with this network, membership benefits include a subscription to our quarterly magazine, invitations to 100plus events annually, eligibility to participate in our members-only email discussion groups and more.

Join or renew your membership today.

### Video: "Water and Fencing Options when Grazing Cover Crops"



Grazing cover crops can be a net positive practice within a growing season, but the logistics and expense of fencing and water can be a barrier for some.

In this episode of the PFI's weekly Practical Cover Cropper video series, Bill Frederick of Jefferson, IA, Nick Smith of Epworth, IA and Nathan Anderson of Aurelia, IA delve into what sort of fencing and water systems they use when grazing cover crops: from using existing perimeter fence and creeks to delivering water and using polywire for intensive grazing.

# **BEYOND THE GATE**

## Get your raw milk questions answered



The state of Iowa recently passed a law allowing on-farm raw milk sales. Many farmers still have questions about what the law allows and what the rules and best practices for producing and handling raw milk are.

This webinar from the Raw Milk Institute focuses on Iowa law and features **Esther Arkfeld,** an Iowa raw milk dairy farmer and advocate.

<u>Get your questions answered with their</u> <u>free 1.5-hour video seminar.</u>

#### New case study featuring PFI member farm



Match Made in Heaven released a case study on how PFI member **Dave Lubben** integrates crops and livestock.

Dave uses management intensive grazing with his cow/calf pairs which he finishes in a feedlot. The manure is spread on the fields, helping to produce all the forage and grain needed for the farm.

<u>Read about Dave's stocking rate, his</u> <u>grazing cycle and other keys to his long-</u> <u>term success.</u>

# **UPCOMING EVENTS**

### **Cover Crops Following Small Grains and Grazing Cattle**



#### Thursday, Sept. 21 | 10 a.m.-Noon

**Scott Schultz** and his family farm on 200 acres, rotating corn, soybeans and wheat with diverse cover crop mixes – including rye, oats, vetch and red clover – between each cash crop.

Scott also raises 30 beef cows in his cowcalf operation that he'll graze on cover crops, and he bales covers, like his clover, for feed. Join Scott to learn about farming with diverse covers and integrating livestock and cover crops.

You'll also have a chance to see a drone demonstration led by neighbor, drone pilot and custom applicator **John Pernat.** <u>RSVP</u>

#### More upcoming events

All events listed in Central Time.

Sept. 21: Meet-Up – Pasture Walk at Nathan Vergin's Farm Hosted by: Land Stewardship Project 1:30-3 p.m. | St. Charles, MN

#### Sept. 26: Webinar – Sheep and Goat

Monthly Webinar Series Hosted by: University of Missouri Extension Noon-1 p.m. | Online

Oct. 3-5: Workshop – <u>Minnesota</u> <u>Agroforestry Institute</u> Hosted by: University of Minnesota Extension

Luverne, MN

Noon | <u>Online</u> Oct. 12: Webinar – <u>Socially Raised</u> <u>Calves: Group Housing</u> Hosted by: Penn State Extension

Oct. 5: Webinar - Adding Value to Your

Hosted by: Food Animal Concerns Trust

11 a.m.-Noon | Online

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Oct. 19: Meet-Up – <u>Pasture Walk:</u> Jeremy Holst's Farm Hosted by: Land Stewardship Project Noon-1:30 p.m. | Lake City, MN

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