# PURDUE EXTENSION

# SUMMER BROWN AGRICULTURE AND NATURAL RESOURCES

#### **Meet our new ANR Extension Educator**

Hi everyone, my name is Summer Brown and I am the new Agriculture and Natural Resources (ANR) Extension Educator for Jasper County! I started my position on January 22nd and am excited to work with the community.

I graduated from Purdue University with my Bachelor's of Science in Wildlife Biology in May of 2023. At Purdue I worked as a field technician on Purdue research properties and in the Help the Hellbender lab. After graduating, I went to work for The Nature Conservancy as a seasonal crew member. Through these positions, I gained experience in invasive species, prescribed burns, and other management methods. I also did a variety of extension events with landowners, community members, and with others in the research community.

I look forward to working with the Jasper County Community and encourage everyone to reach out with questions or needs for the community. Please see next page for a link and QR code to a survey for possible programs in the future.











#### **Upcoming Programs**

### Learn-N-Burn : Grassland RX Fire Workshop

- April 6th, 9am-2pm CST
- · lunch provided
  - Registration Link:
    - learnnburnapr62024.eventbrite.
  - QR Code:



#### Healthy minds, Healthy Lives

- March 22nd, 5pm-7:30pm
- Dinner provided
  - Registration Link:
    - bit.ly/48IRDzk
  - 。 QR Code:





#### **Program Suggestions**

As I am new to the area, I want to learn what programs are needed in Jasper County. Below is a link and a QR code to a survey for possible programs. I look forward to hearing from everyone.

- Registration Link:
  - https://purdue.ca1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\_8kzZRgqVgU 5lwPc
- QR Code:



#### Rainscaping



**Invasive Species** 





The Nature of Teaching (Reptiles and Amphibians)





#### **Purdue Articles**

All articles I post can be found on our Purdue Education Store (edustore.purdue.edu). All of the articles I include below will be free to download.

#### **Gardening Articles**

- Cover Crops in the home garden (HO-324-W)
- Home Gardener's Guide (HO-32-W)
- What Gardeners Need to Know About Pesticide (PPP-109)
- Vegetable Diseases: Five Steps for Healthy Garden Tomatoes (BP-197-W)





#### **Field Crop Articles**

- Sulfur deficiency in corn, soybean, alfalfa, and wheat (AY-379-W)
- Indiana Cover Crop Recipe: Post Corn,
   Going to Soybean: Use Cereal Rye (AY-356-W)
- Indiana Soil and Water: How to Understand and Interpret Soil Health Tests (AY-366-W)

#### **Livestock Articles**

- Manure Management, Treatment, and Utilization: Manure Characteristics, Testing, and Sampling (ABE-166-W)
- Farm Animal Welfare: Audits and Certification Programs (AS-639-W)



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# Healthy Minds, Healthy Lives

March 22, 2024 (5pm-7:30pm CST)

Jasper County Fairgrounds, Community Building

#### **Session Content Includes:**

Mental Health Data
Telehealth Resources
Purdue Farm Stress Program
Suicide Prevention
Statewide & National
Resources

\*\*Dinner will be provided

#### **Registration**



Registration is required! bit.ly/48IRDzk

Questions? Contact Kathy Walker at kwalker@indianarha.org









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## LEARN-N-BURN GRASSLAND RX FIRE WORKSHOP

APRIL 6TH, 9 AM - 2 PM (CDT)

RENSSELAER LIBRARY 208 W SUSAN ST, RENSSELAER, IN 47978 \$25
REGISTRATION
(LUNCH PROVIDED)



# REGISTER HERE

#### GRASSLAND PRESCRIBED FIRE

Do you have CRP fields or other native warm-season grass stands on your property? Interested in learning about prescribed fire and other grassland management tools? This workshop will cover CRP and Mid-Contract Management options, including herbicide, interseeding, and disking, as well as prescribed fire planning, safety, equipment and a demonstration burn (weather permitting).

#### FIELD DAY PARTNERS







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Contact Jarred Brooke with questions: jmbrooke@purdue.edu