

August Berrien MSU Extension E-news

[Drought conditions taking a toll on Michigan's field crops](#)

Deepening drought conditions and adequate moisture in the western Corn Belt may cause a "double whammy" for some Michigan growers in 2016.

[Time to collect weed samples for resistance screening is almost here](#)

Look for mature seeds before submitting weed samples for herbicide resistance screening.

[Post-harvest wash water management for shelf life and food safety](#)

Washing fruits and vegetables properly in a dunk tank or hydro cooler can help extend shelf life and improve food safety. Improper washing increases the risk of a small food safety problem becoming a big one.

[MSU's 2016 wheat variety performance results are available](#)

The Michigan State University Wheat Performance report is now available, providing invaluable information for variety selection and management.

[2016 Peach and plum variety showcase, August 23](#)

You are invited to see and taste the newest, traditional and unusual peach and plum varieties and experimental selections on Aug. 23, 2016, in Benton Harbor, Michigan.

[MSU Agriculture Innovation Day: Focus on Soils, August 24](#)

Michigan State University (MSU) will host its first MSU Agriculture Innovation Day: Focus on Soils on Aug. 24, 2016, at the Saginaw Valley Research and Extension Center in Frankenmuth, Michigan.

Farm Pesticide Collection Update and other options

The Clean Sweep Program in Berrien County had a successful year, assisting approximately 25 farms/golf courses/greenhouses/individuals in getting rid of their unwanted pesticides safely. If you missed the Berrien County events, the Kalamazoo County Household Hazardous Waste Center is available. To schedule an appointment to drop off pesticides, go to <http://www.kalcounty.com/hhw/pesticides.htm>.

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