Agrivoltaics: Solar Energy on Dairy Farms

Minnesota research for the future of fossil free-farming.

Can solar panels be compatible with large dairy and beef cattle? Join in with Bradley Heins, Extension Specialist, Organic Dairy Management at the West Central Research and Outreach Center, Morris MN, for a discussion of AgriVoltaics --grazing cattle under solar panels. Heins will discuss farm energy needs and livestock production research underway at the WCROC. Says Heins, “Agriculture uses immense amounts of fossil energy to support food, feed, fiber, and energy production in the United States. Agriculture’s dependence on fossil-based energy has both severe economic and environmental risks that can be addressed through energy conservation practices and renewable energy generation.” Learn more at wcroc.cfans.umn.edu

January 28th, 2022 -- 11:00 to 12:30 – On-line

Join the Conversation!

An on-line session - Join via Zoom HERE and here:
https://umn.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJAsfumqrzstGdPuHAISpltzT6lGCDpXpTNx

Instead of maximizing single outputs at all costs, e.g., milk production or energy production per/acre/year, is it time to pivot and learn how to maximize overall net productivity in the long run?

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