



## Success Story:

### Rural Firefighters Delivering Agricultural Safety and Health



#### The Problem:

Agricultural workers are 8-10 times more likely to die on the job than the average U.S. worker, and this has been an enduring trend. Inadequate numbers of safety consultants exist to assist farmers in making their farms safer. However, has there been an untapped safety resource under our nose the whole time?

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#### The Impact:

In late 2019, less than a week after attending an RF-DASH training in Wisconsin, Fire Chief Tim Carey responded to a farm incident involving a milk truck and tractor collision.

Armed with his RF-DASH knowledge, Chief Carey delivered an excellent safety message to local news on preventing such an incident. "At this time of the year, everybody needs to slow down and be cautious of all of the farm tractors out there. For all of the farmers out there, make sure you put new SMV signs, reflectors, all of the flashing lights you can have because I don't want to come out to another one of these". His statement gained popularity throughout the local community and further signified that firefighters/EMS personnel are trusted safety resources.

Multiple media sources around the U.S. and Canada have highlighted RF-DEASH including: [Progressive Dairy](#), [Daily Dispatch](#), [Western Producer](#), [Successful Farming](#), and more.

Over 70 firefighters/EMS from more than 10 states have been trained. Their impact does not end there-our trainers have gone on to educate many others.

#### Our Response:

Some farm. Some show up when you call 911. Some do both. But no matter who you are in rural life, you play a role in making it safer. Rural Firefighters Delivering Agriculture Safety & Health (RF-DASH) is bringing together farmers and first responders for a big job: preventing agricultural incidents.

#### What Participants Say:

"When I see a victim of a farm accident, it's just like when it's someone from the fire service, even if I don't know them it feels like I do because **they are like brothers** to me. Anything I can do to help make the ag industry safer I am more than willing to do" –Fire Chief and RF-DASH trainer, Tim Carey

"There's a **huge lost opportunity with us not doing essentially pre-incidence plans at these agricultural sites** because we do it all the time for our local industry and factories. However, for some reason, it just slips the mind that we don't visit our farms. We don't get that eyes-on, see what everything looks like, and get familiar with that. That was the whole eye-opening takeaway for me with the whole thing." – RF-DASH national training attendee



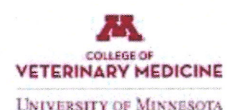
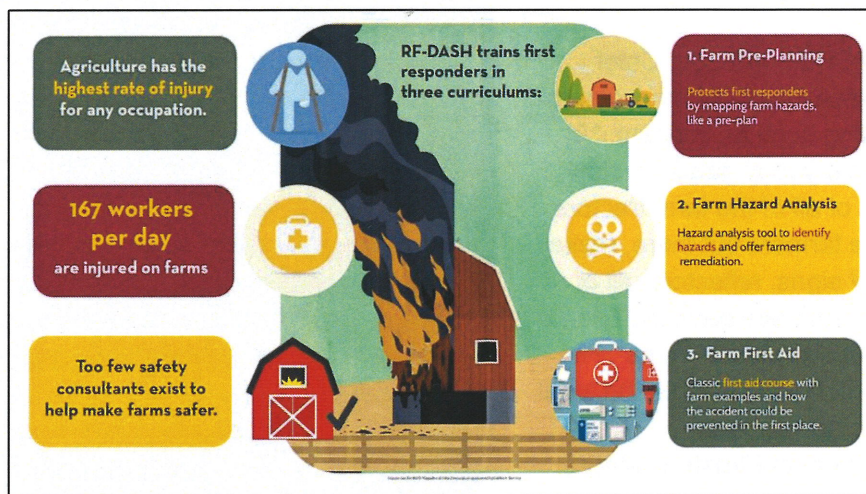
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## Classroom and hands-on training with easy to use, free tools:

RF-DASH uses a train-the-trainer approach, with a curriculum in line with many National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) standards. The program's tools are **free** and **easy to use**:

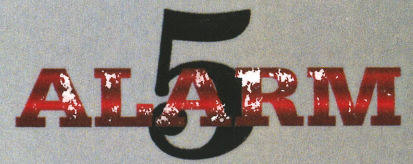
1. Introduction to Agricultural Emergencies
2. Preplanning and Mapping Farms with [FarmMapper.org](http://FarmMapper.org). A pre-plan map of farms to expedite response times and decrease damages.
3. Farm Hazard Analysis with [Saferfarm.org](http://Saferfarm.org) - A hazard analysis tool to recommend abatement of common farm hazards
4. Farm First Aid – train bystanders on immediate response to an emergency while waiting for first responders.
5. Approaching the Farm Community



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## SCBA/RIT

MSA Safety  
CMC Rescue  
Air Systems International  
EVAC Systems  
R&B Fabrications  
SAVOX Communications  
SCBAS Inc.  
True North

## EXTRICATION/STABILIZATION

HURST Jaws of Life  
Rescue 42  
Vetter  
Plastix Plus  
PAC Tool Mounts  
ZICO Ziamatic Corp  
Power Hawk Technologies/Auto CRIB-IT  
GlasMaster  
Ajax Tools  
Turtle Plastics  
LION Gloves  
Dragon Fire  
Majestic Gloves  
Desert Diamond

## PPE

LION  
MSA Cairns  
Dragon Fire  
Thorogood/LION  
HAIX  
Majestic Gloves  
Quest Fire Apparel  
Hammerhead-Gear Keeper  
Lightning-X  
Lakeland  
Fire Innovations  
YAKTRAX/ICE Trekkers  
Groves - Washer Extractor/Dryer  
Citrosqueeze  
Responder Wipes (Groves)

## THERMAL IMAGING

MSA Safety

## COMPRESSORS

Arctic Compressor  
Air Systems International  
SCBAS Inc.

## GAS MONITORS

MSA Safety  
GASCO

## STATIONWEAR/TACTICAL

LION  
Propper  
HAIX  
5 Alarm Fire Strong  
Blackinton Badges

## WILDLAND

LION  
Forestry Supply  
Propper  
HAIX

## SUPPRESSION

Elkhart Brass  
Red Head Brass LLC  
Kochek  
Baum's Castorine Novacool UEF  
North American Fire Hose  
Snap-Tite Hose  
ANSUL  
Brooks Extinguishers  
Harrington, Inc.  
South Park Corp.  
Rice Hydro Inc.  
Firequip Co.

## LADDERS

Duo-Safety Ladder Corporation

## LIGHTING

Streamlight  
FRC  
Tele-Lite, Inc.

## VENTILATION

Blowhard  
Unifire, Inc.  
Tempest  
Euramco  
Desert Diamond

## PORTABLE CONTAINMENT/PUMPS

Husky Portable Containment  
C.E.T.

## HEAD, EYE, HEARING PROTECTION

MSA Safety

## FALL PROTECTION

MSA Safety  
CMC  
Gemtor, Inc.

## WATER/ICE RESCUE

FirstWatch Gear  
CMC  
Machovec/Pick-of-Life  
Sea Pearls  
Gear Aid, Inc.

## HAND TOOLS

Lonestar Axe LLC  
Firehooks Unlimited  
Leatherhead  
End of the Road, Inc.

## TRAFFIC CONTROL

VIZCON  
CORTINA Safety Products  
Lakeland  
Radians Gloves & Vests  
Orion  
Turbo Flare

## VEHICLE TOOL MOUNTS

PAC Tool Mounts  
Plastix Plus  
ZICO Ziamatic Corp.

## EQUIPMENT STORAGE/DELIV. SYS.

Groves Ready Rack  
Rescue 42 Pod Runner

## HAZARDOUS MATERIALS

Euramco  
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## MISCELLANEOUS

Hannay Reels  
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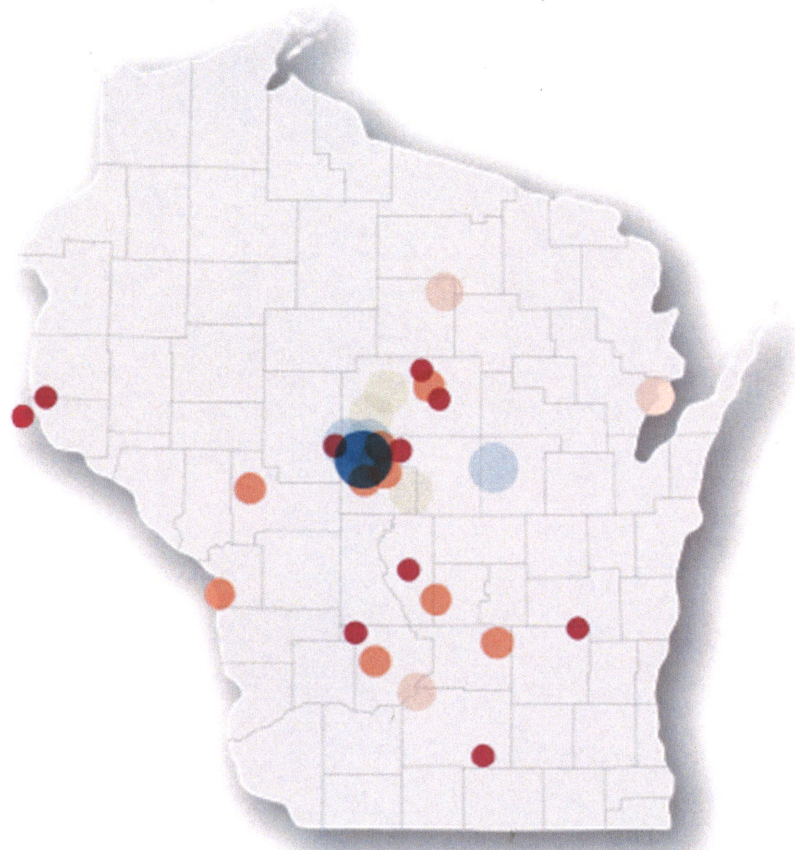
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## Agriculture Rescue Training Department Representation



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### 29 Wisconsin Departments Represented

Adams County Fire District  
Arpin Fire Department  
Auburndale Fire Department  
Brownsville Fire Company  
Cambria Fire Department  
Chili Fremont Fire and Rescue  
Edgar Volunteer Fire Department  
Grand Rapids Fire Department  
Harrison Fire and Rescue  
Hewitt Volunteer Fire Department  
  
Hixton Fire and Rescue  
Iola Fire and Ambulance  
La Crosse Fire Department  
Lincoln Fire Department  
Loganville Fire Department

Oconto Falls Fire Department  
Oxford Fire District  
Pittsville Fire Company  
Prescott Fire and Rescue  
Remington Volunteer Fire Department  
Richfield Rural Fire Department  
River Falls Fire Department  
Sherry Volunteer Fire Department  
South Area Fire District  
Stoughton Fire Department  
  
Stratford Area Fire Department  
Vesper Fire Department  
Village of Maine Fire Department  
Wisconsin Large Animal Emergency Response