

# Farm Bureau Day at the Blanchard River Demonstration Farms Network

## Sept. 8, 2017

***Be the guest of Ohio Farm Bureau on an all expenses paid (lunch included) tour of the Blanchard River Demonstration Farms Network!***

**Interested? Contact your local Farm Bureau office and RSVP by Aug. 25.**

### DETAILS

Tour attendees will learn about existing and new conservation practices implemented on all three farms in the network along with seeing pigs via a viewing room at one farm. Attendees will also have access to subject matter experts who will be on hand to provide information on each conservation practice as well as hearing first-hand from the farmers themselves. Lunch and drinks will be provided on the farms as well as an information packet providing further detail on each

farm and the conservation practices presented on-farm. The tour will be a full day of information with start and stop times varying due to travel times of attendees. For more information on the Blanchard River Demonstration Farms Network visit [blancharddemofarms.org](http://blancharddemofarms.org).

County Farm Bureau contact information can be found at [ofb.org/counties](http://ofb.org/counties). **For more information or questions, please call 1-800-654-5158 or 330-456-4889.**

### TOUR STOPS



**Stateler Family Farms:** Stateler Family Farms is located in McComb, Ohio and owned and operated by Duane and Anthony Stateler. The Stateres farm corn, soybeans and wheat on approximately 600 acres in Hancock County and also operate a 7,200 head wean to finish swine operation. The Stateres have committed 243 acres to the Blanchard River Demonstration Farms Network.

**Practices:**

- Variable Rate Manure Application
- Cover Crops
- Drainage Water Management
- Animal Mortality Composting Facility
- Edge of Field Monitoring
- Wetland with Pollinator Habitat
- Home Septic System Replacement
- Phosphorus Removal Bed



**Kurt Farms:** Chris Kurt owns and operates Kurt Farms in Dunkirk, Ohio in Hardin County. The farm is 470 acres of corn and soybeans. Chris has committed 168 acres to the Blanchard River Demonstration Farms Network. Previously, Chris worked with The Nature Conservancy and Hardin Soil and Water Conservation District to construct a two-stage ditch on the demonstration farm site.

**Practices:**

- Two-Stage Ditch
- Phosphorus Removal Beds
- Filter Strips
- Blind Inlets
- Drainage Water Management
- Cover Crops
- Edge-of-Field Monitoring
- Abandoned Oil Well Removal



**Kellogg Farms:** Bill and Shane Kellogg own and operate Kellogg Farms in Forest, Ohio in Hardin County. The farm consists of 5,000 acres of corn and soybeans. The Kelloggs have committed 305 acres to the Blanchard River Demonstration Farms Network.

**Practices:**

- Subsurface Nutrient Placement
- Cover Crops
- Reduced Tillage
- Abandoned Water Well Removal
- Grassed Waterway
- Controlled Traffic
- Pollinator Habitat

