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Each speaker should be aware and by their signatures hereto they agree that their comments may be recorded (by audio-visual recordings, photography or other means), and may be (but are not required to be) broadcast by the County as a part of the broadcast of this meeting, or as a part of the County's programming on its local video channel(s). By their signature they further agree that Henderson County is and will be the sole owner of all rights in and to such programming. The undersigned hereby indemnifies Henderson County, its employees and agents, against any and all claims, damages, liabilities, costs and expenses arising out of the use of the undersigned's images and words in connection therewith.

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911 BENGHAZIMEMORIAL RIDE







Honoring our fallen heroes who died on Sept 11th, 2012 in Benghazi, Libya

Chris Stevens, Sean Smith, Glen Doherty, Tyrone Woods

Date: WED, Sept 11th, 2013

Stage Area: Veteran's Park / Columbus, NC

Arrive: 1015. Register / Opening remarks / Invocation

Departure Time: 1100 hours.

<u>Destination</u>: Historic Courthouse, Hendersonville, NC Sponsor comments / Memorial Prayer

Attendance is open to everyone at each site. The ride is restricted to motorcycles only. NO cost to ride or attend.
Inquiries call 352.638.2981

Asheville Party



The Asheville Tea Party hosts the 4th Annual event

"WE READ THE CONSTITUTION"

Saturday, Sept. 14th • 1 p.m. - 4 p.m. at Lake Julian, Pavilion #1, 406 Overlook Rd., Arden

Patriotic crafts for kids · Music · Food · Fun · Free Admission.

Special appearance by founders John and Abigail Adams and Patrick Henry
Authors: Steve Jones 'J Terry Hall 'Mike McCarthy 'Dr. Bill Forstchen
Patriot Camp 'Students 'Homeschoolers
Grassroots Groups from NC and SC will join to 'READ THE CONSTITUTION.'

Keynote Speakers

- Dr. Greg Brannon, Candidate for U.S. Senate 2014, Constitutional Conservative
- Best selling author, Dr. Bill Forstchen speaking on 2nd Amendment
 - NC House Rep Chris Whitmire sponsor of Foreign Laws, Protect Constitutional Rights Bill

Cruizers Diner in Candler will cater the event. Tasty pork BBQ, slaw, beans, and roll for just a \$5 donation to the Asheville Tea PAC. Buy a \$20 raffle ticket for the Bug Out Truck and get a complimentary BBQ plate. This is the conservative version of the "free lunch."

Haywood County 9-12 Project will draw the winner of their gun raffle for a Smith & Wesson .38 and an AR-15 rifle. Asheville Tea PAC will draw the winners of the "GREAT GUN Giveaway 2.0", an AR-15 by Para USA and the "Readiness Raffle": a "Go Pack" full of supplies, a Water Purifier, a Medic Pack, and a Sun Oven. Raffle Tickets will be available.

The **"ULTIMATE BUG OUT VEHICLE"** will be on display. This truck is a refurbished 1963 Military troop carrier loaded with emergency supplies including an AR-15, a 12 gauge shotgun, and a .22 cal Henry Survival rifle.

Henderson County Agriculture Advisory Board

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September 3, 2013

Henderson County Board of Commissioners 1 Historic Courthouse Square, Suite 1 Hendersonville, NC 28792

Dear Commissioners:

This has been a most challenging year for agriculture in Henderson County. We have experienced more rainfall year to date than has ever been recorded in 117 years of record keeping. As a result many of our crops have suffered extensive damage, including produce, apples, berries, sod and nursery crops.

Measures have been taken to provide crop loss reports in accordance with the procedures established by USDA. Henderson County and at least four other NC counties experiencing crop disasters were submitted to Governor McCrory with the recommendation that he formally request a disaster declaration by the U.S. Secretary of Agriculture. We anticipate our Governor will make the request, but it has not occurred as of this date.

The USDA loss reports are required to be submitted in percentages. These figures can have less meaning when attempting to assess the economic impact, therefore several of our agricultural organizations and farmers in the County have worked closely together to compile estimated dollar losses suffered from the excessive rainfall. It is too early to fully determine the extent of damage caused and it may be a year before we can make a full assessment, especially to trees and nursery crops, but at this point in time we estimate the following:

Food crop losses (apples, produce, berries, etc.) Non-food crop losses (nursery, greenhouse, sod) Total Crop Loss	\$30,360,000 <u>\$9,568,050</u> \$39,928,650
Apple Tree losses (root damage or uprooted)	\$2,850.000

Total Estimated Loss \$42,778,650

Our purpose in providing this information is to impress up our elected officials the level of devastation that has been experienced, with the hope that meaningful assistance may become available at some level of government to help offset these losses. In some cases it may make the difference in whether or not farmers are able to remain in business to farm another season. With the increasing age of farmers and declining number of farms, it is important to our economy and food supply to preserve our agricultural operations by providing much needed support in the face of a natural disaster.

Respectfully submitted,

Henderson County Agricultural Advisory Board

Town of Mills River Agricultural Advisory Board

Agribusiness Henderson County

NCSU NC Cooperative Extension – Henderson County

RAIN, RAIN PLEASE GO AWAY



CONTINUING FLOOD

DISASTER OF AUG. 29, 2013



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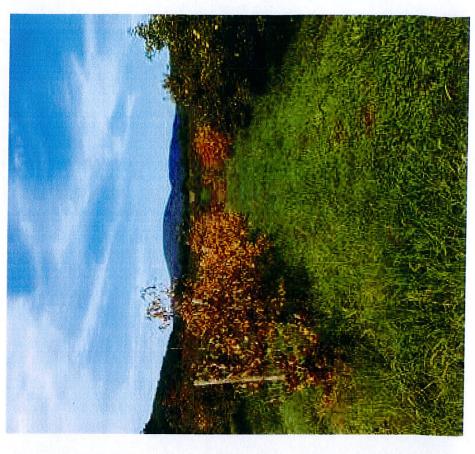
Henderson County Center

Crop Apples
Fruit Damaged 20%
County Acreage 5,700

Tree Damaged 5%

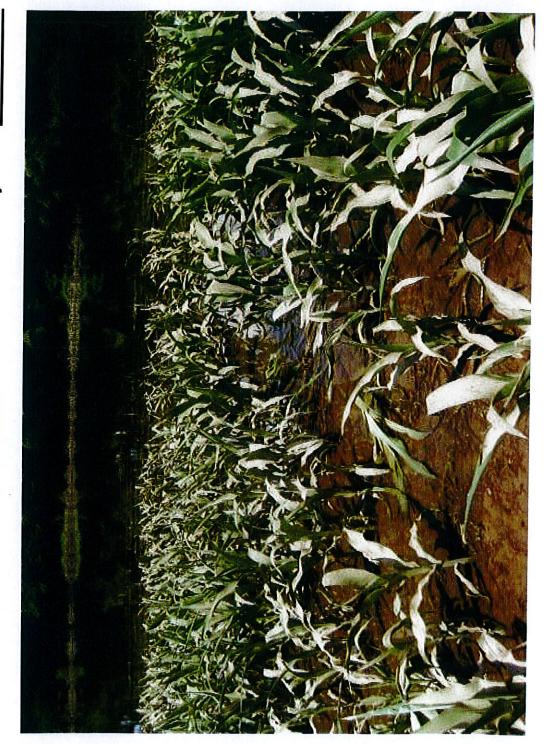
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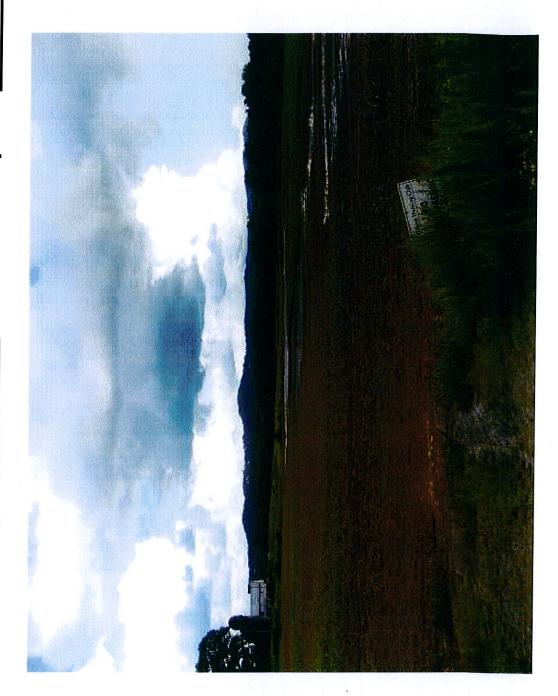
Crop Field Corn County Acreage 3,200

Damaged 0% Destroyed 50%



Crop Silage Corn County Acreage 1,600

Damaged 30% Destroyed 70%



Crop Sweet Corn County Acreage 900

Damaged 50% Destroyed 50%



Crop Green Peppers County Acreage 200

Damaged 30% Destroyed 70%



Crop_Sod_County Acreage_505

Damaged Destroyed 30%



Crop Tomatoes-Hybrid County Acreage 500

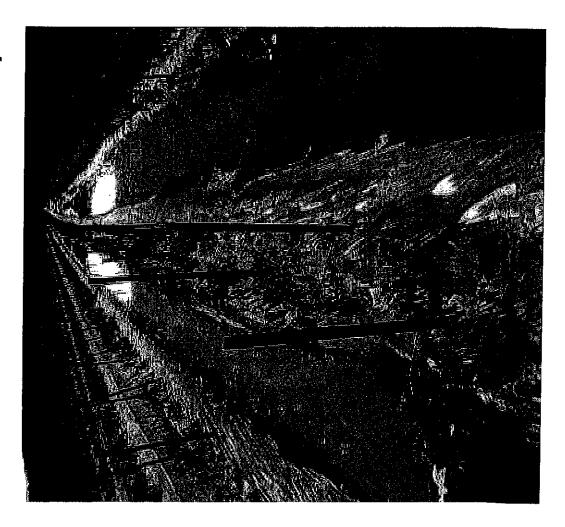
Damaged 60% Destroyed 20%





Crop <u>Tomatoes-Grape</u> County Acreage 100

Damaged 60% Destroyed 20%

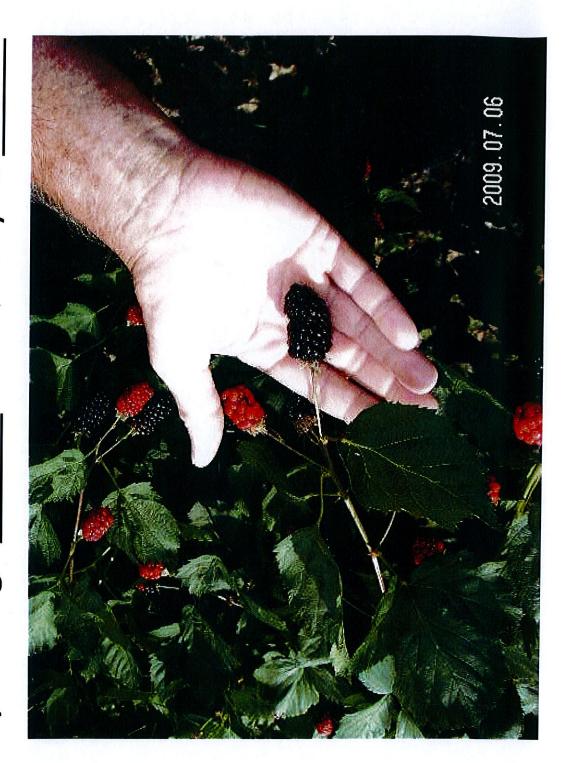


Crop Nursery /41 Farms Damaged ? Destroyed County Acreage 800?

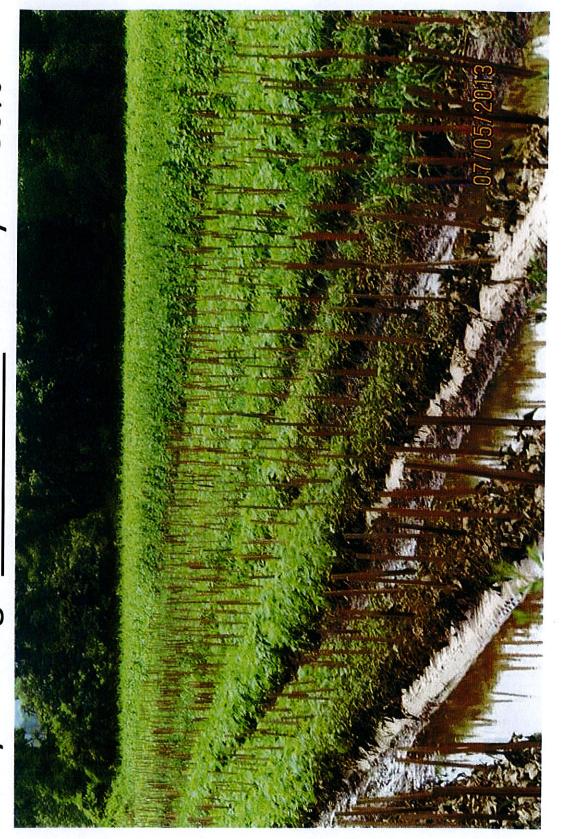


Crop Blackberries County Acreage 150

Damaged 40%



Crop Green Beans County Acreage 50



Destroyed 50% Damaged 25% County Acreage 5,200 Crop Hay

Crop Soybeans
County Acreage 500

Damaged 30% Destroyed

Crop Squash County Acreage 100

Damaged

Destroyed 80%







Henderson County Tourism Development Authority 4 201 South Main Street Hendersonville, NC 28792 4 828.693.9708

August 29, 2013

Mr. Charlie Messer, Chairman Henderson County Historic Courthouse 1 Historic Courthouse Square, Suite 1 Hendersonville, NC 28792

Dear Charlie,

The Henderson County Tourism Development Authority voted to approve the Interlocal Agreement dated July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014 at a Special Called Meeting on Thursday, August 29, 2013. The vote was unanimous.

Moving forward, it is the Henderson County TDA's intent to work closely with the Henderson County Historic Courthouse Corporation (Heritage Museum) Board of Directors to create a step-down funding plan for the operations of the Heritage Museum. The intent is to reduce their dependency on Henderson County's Occupancy Tax. This will be done in the next several months.

We ask that the Commissioners encourage the Heritage Museum Board to come to the table with our board prepared to work out a future funding plan that is fair and feasible to all.

If by Henderson County TDA's November monthly meeting we have not worked out an acceptable plan by both parties, we will evaluate our option to terminate the Interlocal Agreement as of June 30, 2014.

Sincerely,

Shannon Clarke, Chairman Henderson County TDA Board

cc: HCTDA Board Members