

# DAIRY DIGEST

The latest news from Minnesota Milk Producers Association

## Wishing you a happy New Year from the Minnesota Milk Producers Association!

Welcome to the new year and new legislative session. I'm Lucas Sjostrom, Executive Director of Minnesota Milk. I'm also a dairy farmer and cheese plant owner in central Minnesota.

Our organization was founded in 1977 when a group of dairy farmers joined to ensure they had a collective voice in policy conversations. Today, we remain dedicated to serving Minnesota dairy farmers of all sizes and styles. We also support allied businesses that impact the state's dairy community.

We are the only dairy farmer-led organization in the state advocating for the dairy community. Currently, we have a collective membership of 400+ farmer members and corporate partners representing farms of all sizes across the state. As such we are here to be a resource to you when issues, questions or curiosity about the dairy industry arise. Our farmers and I are here to help be your conduit to rural Minnesota.

One way to help to connect you to our members is through these Dairy

Digests, quick snapshots of the Minnesota dairy community and the topics important to us. You will receive these throughout the year as needed. Upcoming issues will highlight good things happening in the dairy community. Among our board members, dairy farmers and industry partners, we have a broad range of experience and knowledge about what's currently going on in our state's dairy industry, from challenges to success, and we will share that information with you.

Wishing you a joyful holiday season and best wishes for a successful and prosperous new year in 2025.

Sincerely,



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## SAVE THE DATE!

2025 Annual Meeting & Dairy Day at the Capitol | February 4<sup>th</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> 2025

