

# Virginia's Rural Economic Analysis Program



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### REAP Publications, 1989-95

This issue of *Horizons* presents a list of REAP's publications since 1989, when REAP began. REAP has four primary publication series: 1) *Horizons*, published bimonthly with articles on research or current issues of concern to rural or agricultural Virginia; 2) *The State of Rural Virginia* series, published 2-3 times per year with graphs and charts depicting economic trends and conditions affecting rural Virginia; 3) REAP Reports, presenting the results of REAP-supported research; and 4) REAP Policy Papers, discussing current issues and their public policy aspects. REAP also publishes occasional special reports, proceedings of conferences, etc. All REAP publications to date are listed below by general subject area. To request any publication, please contact Alan Raflo at the address, phone number, or fax number listed on the bottom of page 2 of this newsletter.

Also in this issue, on pages 4-5, is a short survey. The survey is designed to help the REAP staff determine whether REAP is meeting our readers' needs for information about rural Virginia, and how we might better do so. To return the survey, simply fold it over, close the long edge with tape (please do not staple), and mail (no postage is required). Please take a few minutes and let us hear from you. Your responses will be carefully read, considered, and used to improve REAP's publications and its overall educational program. Thank you.

--Alan Raflo, *Horizons* Editor

## Competitiveness and Opportunity in Virginia Agriculture

### *Horizons*

- "New Technologies: Boon or Bane for the Dairy Industry?" by Warren Preston; and "New Technology in Beef and Pork Production" by Wayne Purcell. January/February 1990.
- "Part-Time Farming in Virginia" by Judith Stallmann; and "A Unique Approach to Farm Labor Problems" by Chip Planck. March/April 1990.
- "Focus on Alternative Agricultural Opportunities...Developing a Market for Non-Traditional Products" by Charles Coale; and "Economically Speaking of Alternative Opportunities in Virginia..." by Daniel Taylor. July/August 1990.
- "Emphasis on Feedgrains and Livestock...The Future of Virginia Corn Production" by Joseph Coffey; and "Problems Faced by Virginia Swine Producers" by Suzanne Thornsby. September/October 1990.
- "Restoring Viability to the Corn and Hog Sectors in Virginia" by Wayne Purcell. March/April 1991.
- "A Competitive Edge for Virginia Agriculture" by Wayne Purcell. November/December 1992.
- "The Textile-Apparel Complex in Rural Virginia" by Eluned Jones and Judith Stallmann. July/August 1993.
- "Agriculture's Contribution to the Virginia Economy" by Thomas Johnson. May/June 1994.
- "Are You Ready for the 1995 Farm Bill?" by Wayne Purcell. July/August 1994.
- "Virginia's Farm Wineries" by Ernest Wade and Thomas Johnson. January/February 1995.

### *Reports*

- *Where Have All the Corn Acres Gone?* By Suzanne Thornsby and David Kenyon. Virginia Cooperative Extension Publication 448-200/REAP R001, 1991.
- *Impacts of the Conservation Reserve Program on the Virginia Economy.* By Paul B. Siegel and Thomas G. Johnson. Virginia Cooperative Extension Publication 448-201/REAP R002, 1991.
- *Virginia's Feedgrain, Livestock, and Poultry Sectors: Tough Decisions in the 1990s.* By David Kenyon and Suzanne Thornsby. Virginia Cooperative Extension Publication 448-202/REAP R003, 1991.

- *Why Many Virginia Hog Producers Quit in the 1980s*. By Suzanne Thornsby, Lauren Harper, and David Kenyon. Virginia Cooperative Extension Publication 448-204/REAP R005, 1991.
- *The Financial Feasibility of Finishing Feeder Pigs under Production Contact in Virginia*. By Lauren Harper, David Kenyon, and Suzanne Thornsby. Virginia Cooperative Extension Publication 448-205/REAP R006, 1991.
- *Risk-Management Strategies for a Representative Virginia Dairy Farm*. By Darrell Bosch. Virginia Cooperative Extension Publication 448-208/REAP R009, 1992.
- *Permanent Part-time Farming in Virginia*. By Judith I. Stallmann and Jeffrey Alwang. Virginia Cooperative Extension Publication 448-210/REAP R011, 1992.
- *The Economic Impact of Increased Swine Production in a Rural Virginia County*. By Suzanne Thornsby, S. Murthy Kambhampaty, and David Kenyon. Virginia Cooperative Extension Publication 448-211/REAP R012, 1993.
- *The Economic Impact of Migrant Farmworkers on Virginia's Eastern Shore*. By Erin O. Sills, Jeffrey Alwang, and Paul Driscoll. Virginia Cooperative Extension Publication 448-214/REAP R016, 1993.
- *Economic Impact of a Swine Complex in Southside Virginia*. By Suzanne Thornsby, S. Murthy Kambhampaty, and David Kenyon. Virginia Cooperative Extension Publication 448-215/REAP R017, 1993.
- *The Potential for Competitive Corn Production in Virginia's Coastal Plain*. By Suzanne Thornsby, Dan Brann, David Kenyon, and James Baker. Virginia Cooperative Extension Publication 448-216/REAP R018, 1993.
- *The Economic Impact of Agriculture in Virginia*. By Thomas G. Johnson and Ernie W. Wade. Virginia Cooperative Extension Publication 448-217/REAP R019, 1994.

### *Policy Papers*

- *GATT and Agriculture: Gains and Promise!* By Nicole Fatseas and David Orden. Virginia Cooperative Extension Publication 448-305/REAP P005, 1994.

### *Special Publications*

- "Forces of Change Affecting Agriculture & Rural Virginia: Getting Ready for the 1990s." November 1989 conference proceedings.
- "Virginia's Feedgrain and Livestock/Poultry Industries: Major Changes Coming in the 1990s." November 1990 conference highlights.
- *The Economic Position of Virginia Agriculture*. By Wayne Purcell. Information presented to the Virginia Agricultural Economic Summit, October 6, 1993.
- *Major Issues in the 1995 Farm Bill*. Transcript from REAP's September 1994 conference, "Virginia and the 1995 Farm Bill." December 1994.
- *The Virginia Tobacco Industry in a World of Change*. By Wayne Purcell. November 1994.

## **The Present and Future for Virginia's Rural Communities**

### *Horizons*

- "What is Rural Development?" by George McDowell; and "A Perspective on Rural Development" by Andy Kegley. November/December 1990.
- "Rural Retirement Counties: What Do They Mean for Rural Virginia?" by Judith Stallmann. January/February 1991.
- "Self-development Strategies in Rural Areas" by Jan Flora and Gary Green; and "The Importance of Public Services to Communities" by Thomas Johnson. September/October 1991.
- "Shaping the Future: Developing Leadership in Rural Virginia" by Mary Catherine Tanner; and special insert on "Community Services in the Development of Rural Virginia," the 1991 REAP conference. November/December 1991.
- "A Report from Rural Retreat" by Andy Kegley. May/June 1992.
- "A Community-based Strategy for Rural Development" by Eileen Fitzgerald. July/August 1992.
- "Access to Rural Health Care" by Joseph Obidiegwu and Jeffrey Alwang. May/June 1993.
- "Rural Virginia's Latent Capacity for Leadership" by Alan Raflo. November/December 1993.
- "An Introduction to Disaster Economics" by Alan Raflo and Mark Crawford. March/April 1994.
- "A Point of View from Newport, Va." by Teresa McCoy Hypes. March/April 1995.

### *The State of Rural Virginia*

- "Why a Series on 'The State of Rural Virginia?'" (general information on rural population and employment). Volume 1, No. 1 (Fall 1992).
- "The Rural Health Care Crisis." Volume 1, No. 2 (Fall 1992).

- "Employment in Virginia: Changes over Time." Volume 2, No. 2 (Summer 1993).
- "Earnings in Virginia: Changes over Time." Volume 2, No. 3 (Fall 1993).

### *Reports*

- Economic Change in Floyd County*. By Judith I. Stallmann *et al.* Virginia Cooperative Extension Publication 448-218/REAP R020, 1995.

### *Policy Papers*

- The Changing Society of Southern Appalachia*. By James C. Hite. Virginia Cooperative Extension Publication 448-304/REAP P004, 1993.

### *Special Publications*

- The State of Rural Virginia: A Graphic Representation*. By Randall Austin, Carlos Elías, George McDowell, Judith Stallmann, and Stephanie White. Virginia Cooperative Extension Publication 448-025, November 1989.

## **Educational Issues for Virginia's Communities**

### *Horizons*

- "Paying for Public Schools in Virginia" by Carlos Elías and George McDowell. January/February 1993.
- "Will Virginia's Children Stay in School? (The Global Economy and Educational Attainment in Virginia)" by Teresa Williams and Jan Flora. September/October 1993.

### *The State of Rural Virginia*

- "Education in Rural Virginia." Volume 2, No. 1 (Winter 1993).

### *Reports*

- Paying for Schooling in Virginia: A Citizen's Guide to School Finance*. By George R. McDowell, Carlos G. Elías, and Paul Driscoll. Virginia Cooperative Extension Publication 448-206/REAP R007, 1992.
- Short-Term Alternatives for Distributing School Aid in Virginia*. By George R. McDowell and Carlos G. Elías. Virginia Cooperative Extension Publication 448-207/REAP R008, 1992.
- Paying for Schooling in Virginia: An Analysis of the Distributional Implications of State Aid in Fiscal Year 1992-1993*. By Carlos G. Elías and George R. McDowell. Virginia Cooperative Extension Publication 448-209/REAP R010, 1992.
- Educational Performance in Virginia's Rural Schools*. By David E. Broomhall. Virginia Cooperative Extension Publication 448-212/REAP R013, 1993.

### *Policy Papers*

- The Disparity Issue in K-12 Education in Virginia*. By Carlos G. Elías and George R. McDowell. Virginia Cooperative Extension Publication 448-303/REAP P003, 1993.

## **Environmental Issues in Rural and Agricultural Virginia**

### *Horizons*

- "Managing Agricultural Contamination of Groundwater" by Sandra Batie and Penelope Diebel; and "Developing a Policy on Groundwater in Virginia" by Waldon Kerns. May/June 1990.
- "The Cost of Rural Drinking Water" by Alan Raflo. May/June 1991.
- "Economic Impacts and Environmental Tradeoffs of Low-input Agriculture in Eastern Virginia" by Daniel Taylor. March/April 1992.
- "Research: How Is It Done and Why Should You Care?" by James Pease. March/April 1993.
- "Conversation and Common Ground Between Virginia's Agricultural and Environmental Groups" by Leonard Shabman. January/February 1994.
- "Hogs, Jobs, and the Environment" by David Kenyon. September/October 1994.

### *Reports*

- Agricultural Pesticide Use and Risk in Virginia's Chesapeake Bay Region*. By Spencer Phillips. Virginia Cooperative Extension Publication 448-203/REAP R004, 1991.

- *Economic Impacts of Manure Application Restrictions on Dairy Farms*. By Darrell J. Bosch and James W. Pease. Virginia Cooperative Extension Publication 448-213/REAP R015, 1993.

### *Policy Papers*

- *Adapting Agriculture and Rural Virginia to Environmental Restraints*. By Sandra Batie. Virginia Cooperative Extension Publication 448-301/REAP P001, 1991.

## **Federal, State, and Local Government and Rural Virginia**

### *Horizons*

- "Rural Virginia and the 1992 General Assembly" by Joan Munford. January/February 1992.
- "Is it Time for *Perestroika* in Virginia Government?" by Frank Raflo. September/October 1992.
- "Strains in Local Government's Iron-clad Link to the Property Tax?" by Alan Raflo. November/December 1994.

### *The State of Rural Virginia*

- "Virginia State Government Spending." Volume 3, No. 1 (Spring 1994).
- "Crime and Public Safety Spending in Virginia." Volume 3, No. 2 (December 1994).

### *Policy Papers*

- *Decisions 1992: Facing the Fiscal Crisis*. By Everett Peterson, Danilo Alvarado, and David Orden. Virginia Cooperative Extension Publication 448-302/REAP P002, 1992.

## **Information and Background on REAP**

### *Horizons*

- "A New Focus for Economic Research" by Herbert Stoevener; "What is REAP?" by James Bell; and "Initial Programs of REAP" by George McDowell. September/October 1989.
- "The REAP Advisory Council--Your Conduit to REAP" by Edwin Jaenke; "Forces of Change Affecting Virginia Agriculture in the 1990s and Beyond" by James Hite; and "REAP's Role in the Forces of Change" by Leonard Shabman. November/December 1989.
- "An Assessment of REAP on its Three-year Anniversary" by Herbert Stoevener. July/August 1991.

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## REAP Reader Survey (May/June 1995)

We'd like to hear from you! To help REAP improve its usefulness and impact, please take a few minutes to fill out and return this short survey. To return the survey, clip out this page at the left side, fold it in half (with this page on the inside), close the open end with tape, and mail; no postage is required. If you have any questions, please contact me by phone at (703) 231-9443 or by fax at (703) 231-7417. Thank you very much for your comments and opinions!

--Alan Raflo, *Horizons* editor.

(If you need more space for any question, please continue on the back.)

1. Why are you interested in rural Virginia? (Please specify where you live, type of job, issues concerning you, or other reason for interest in rural Virginia.)

2. What topics covered in REAP publications have been of interest or value to you? (Please rate all that apply to you from 1 to 10, with 1 = most valuable and 10 = least valuable.)

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3. What topics would you like to see addressed in future REAP publications, research, or conferences? (Please rate all that apply to you from 1 to 10, with 1 = most desired and 10 = least desired.)

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4. List one specific action that the REAP staff or Advisory Council should take to make REAP's educational activities and programs more useful to policy making in the state.

5. Please add on the back any other comments about REAP.

**Thank you!**