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IFB Membership Dues Renewal Reminder

It's that time of year again when many members will renew their Farm Bureau memberships most associate members renewals will continue to be handled in the "combined" billing process in co-operation with your County Farm Bureau, Illinois Farm Bureau, and Country Financial. This billing process includes your annual Farm Bureau membership dues with your insurance premium in one convenient billing or most personal lines policies. With this process, the timing of your membership dues payment may vary from the traditional anniversary date of your County Farm Bureau, the new Farm Bureau membership cards will be automatically mailed out once your combined bill is paid you will then have an and opportunity to donate to your County Farm Bureau for scholarships, Ag the classroom activities, and other local efforts with this follow-up mailing.

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the renewal, and upon payment, will be activated and ready to use on discounts offered by the farm bureau.

Your County Farm Bureau and the Illinois Farm Bureau also have the option for members to manage their own membership profiles and pay renewals online. Members can go to www.myilfb.org, create an account, and renew their membership. Members can also update contact information, membership cards, research member benefits, and donate to other Farm Bureau efforts.

Members are reminded to look through all the benefit information that is included with the dues notice or follow-up membership cards. You can also browse over 320,000 member discounts by visiting <https://ilfb.abenity.com> or downloading our IFB benefits app on your device. Discounts and savings utilized through these member-only benefits have provided great value and more than pay for the annual membership amount. Last year, Farm Bureau members saved over \$4 million dollars by utilizing these member-only benefits.

If you have any questions about your membership benefits, the renewal process, credit card and online payment options, or any Farm Bureau programs and activities, please contact your respective CFB office.

New land grant research detects dicamba damage from the sky



From left, Aaron Hager, Dylan Kerr, and Marty Williams.

By Lauren Quinn, Univ. of Illinois College of ACES

Drones can now detect subtle soybean canopy damage from dicamba at one ten-thousandth of the herbicide's label rate — simulating vapor drift — eight days after application. This advancement in remote sensing from the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign provides a science-based tool to accurately

detect and report crop damage at the field scale, reducing human error and bias.

It's a tool Aaron Hager has been calling for since dicamba-tolerant soybeans — and the accompanying surge in dicamba use and off-target damage — arrived on the scene in 2016.

"We would have an annual teleconference with the Environmental Protection Agency where

they would ask how extensive the damage was and whether their label modifications were making a difference. They were relying on pesticide misuse complaints, but there are a lot of factors going into whether someone makes a complaint," said Hager, professor in the Department of Crop Sciences and an Illinois Extension Specialist; both units are part

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Agricultural State Sales Tax Exemption Overview

Buyers of many types of farm machinery and equipment, and precision farming equipment are exempt from Illinois sales tax. Under state law, the sales tax does not apply to sales of machinery or equipment used or leased primarily for agricultural production. However, a buyer must certify the equipment's use to qualify for the exemption.

"The key to understanding the agricultural production sales tax exemption is the product must be necessary in the actual growing and/or raising of an agricultural product. There is a misconception that everything purchased for use on a farm will not have a sales tax collected," said Kevin Semlow, Illinois Farm Bureau Executive Director of Governmental Affairs

and Commodities.

To certify that equipment is not to have the sales tax applied, you need to fill out the Illinois Department of Revenue (IDOR) form St-587.

On the form, buyers certify their name and address, the seller's name and address, and a statement that the item purchased will be used in production agriculture or in state and federal agricultural programs, such as the conservation reserve program.

State law defines agricultural production as production of crops, livestock, animal husbandry, floriculture, horticulture and viticulture.

Several agricultural activities are not considered ag production. Those include clearing land, mow-

ing fencerows, creation of ponds or ditches, and operations involved in storing and transporting crops and produce and other farming activities.

As for livestock production, sales tax exemptions apply only to domestic farm animals. Production of wild animals, game birds and house pets are not considered ag production.

Under the law, purchases of precision agriculture technology are exempt. Exemptions apply to soil testing sensors, computers, monitors, software, and GPS and mapping systems.

Also allowed are computers and software, and related equipment used primarily in computer-assisted operation of production

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Annual District 18 Farm Bureau Meeting Held



The annual District 18 Farm Bureau meeting was held at Vienna High School. Members from 11 southern Illinois counties gathered for a meal and brief presentation from Illinois Farm Bureau President Brian Duncan. President Duncan spoke on the latest legislative efforts, changes in the organization and overall agriculture information from across the state. We thank President Duncan for traveling to southern Illinois to speak to our local members.

Union County Fair kicks off August 15

Community members from all across southern Illinois are encouraged to attend the 144th annual Union County Fair. The fair will take place August 15-23, 2025 at the Anna City Park. The annual fair has fun and excitement for every member of the family.

The fair opens on Friday, August 15 with the Union County Fair Queen Pageant at 7 pm in front of the grandstand.

Other festivities include:

- FFA, 4H, Junior and Open livestock shows
- PeeWee Showmanship
- Junior Livestock Auction
- Two nights of tractor/truck pulls
- Ranch and Championship Rodeos
- Community Worship Service
- Harness Racing and Horse Show
- Two nights of demolition

derbys

Youth Livestock Shows are free for the public to attend and everyone is encouraged to attend the Junior Livestock Auction Thursday night to support our local youth exhibitors.

Stop by the Union County Farm Bureau tent on Wednesday and Thursday evening from 5-7 pm to make ice cream in a bag! We will be helping kids make the delicious treat and is free to everyone. Families are invited to stop by the Union County Farm Bureau tent (in front of the exhibit building) throughout the week to enjoy some giveaways and learn more about agriculture!

For more information about family passes and admission to this year's fair, as well as events and a full listing of show classes and registration information, go to unioncountyfair.net.



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Illinois Farm Bureau and Illinois Press Foundation award grants to 26 school journalism programs

SPRINGFIELD—Illinois Farm Bureau and the Illinois Press Foundation today announce the awarding of grants to 26 high school journalism efforts throughout the state. The awards are part of the Illinois High School Journalism Grants Program offered by the Illinois Press Foundation and financially sponsored for a fourth consecutive year by Illinois Farm Bureau.

More than \$35,000 total in grants will be distributed to the schools in the fall to pay for laptops, cameras, broadcasting equipment, newspaper printing costs, website hosting fees and more. The Illinois Press Foundation Board of Directors' Edu-

cation Committee approved the grant recipients.

"We're grateful to continue to have Illinois Farm Bureau as a financial partner of this valuable program again this year," said Jeff Rogers, executive director of the Illinois Press Foundation. "The Illinois Farm Bureau's commitment, along with an increased financial commitment this year from the Illinois Press Foundation, has allowed us to award more grants this year than any year of our partnership. Especially today, journalism and the sharing of facts and information is more important than ever. Today's students have so many platforms available to them, and we're

proud the grant helps support schools in every part of the state to practice journalism."

This is the fifth year Illinois Farm Bureau has supported scholastic journalists through this grant program.

"Meaningful development through education and programming is central to Illinois Farm Bureau, and it's incredibly rewarding to help these students grow their journalism skills at the high school level," said Matt Wettersten, executive director of marketing and communications at Illinois Farm Bureau, as he congratulated the 2025 grant recipients. "We are awarding more applicants this year than we have

in any year of our affiliation with the program. That tells us two things. The need for financial assistance is real. But also, the interest in our grant program, and in journalism at the high school level, is growing. We're proud to help in that way."

All schools will receive their grant checks during on-site visits in August and September. Of the 26 schools receiving grants, seven are doing so for the first time during the IPF-IFB partnership.

This year's grant recipients include Herrin High School:

• Herrin High School: \$1,500 for up to four 9th generation iPads, an external hard drive, and a podcast mic.

Tax

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agriculture facilities, equipment and activities. These qualified items include those that collect, monitor and correlate animal and crop data for the purpose of calculating animal diets and agricultural chemicals.

On any motor vehicles, such as farm trucks and pickup trucks that must be registered under the state motor vehicle code, the buyer will have to pay sales tax. Registered vehicles other than motor vehicles, such as some all-terrain vehicles, may qualify if they're used for specific production agriculture uses rather than transportation and other activities that don't qualify.

The law distinguishes between machinery and real estate improvements. Real estate improvements, such as barns, grain bins, silos and confinement buildings are not exempt.

However, certain machines – even though they are installed as real estate improvements – qualify for the exemption. Those machines include augers, grain dryers, automated feeder bunks and waterers, and specialty heating or lighting equipment specifically required for production. General heating, lighting and ventilation equipment does not qualify.

The equipment definition likewise applies only to devices essential for production agriculture and excludes ordinary building materials permanently attached to real estate.

But there are exceptions. Certain equipment – even those installed as realty improvements – qualifies for sales tax exemptions. That includes farrowing crates, gestation stalls, portable panels for confinement buildings, slatted rubber flooring used in beef confinement and flooring used with waste disposal machinery.

New or used repair or replacement parts for machines used in production agriculture qualify, but

only if they are essential for the operation of the machine. Consumable supplies, such as grease, oil and antifreeze, do not qualify for an exemption.

Farm machinery and equipment bought to be leased and used primarily in production agriculture is exempt. Custom farmers or others who offer a special service that is an integral part of production agriculture for farms other than their own also may claim the exemption if the equipment is used primarily in production agriculture. An individual who received an exemption and then doesn't use the machinery or equipment for production agriculture will be liable for the

sales tax.

"Understanding the production agriculture sales tax exemption is an integral part of making your purchases," Semlow said. "Be aware that many items are exempt – but not everything. Since the inception of the production sales tax exemptions, the Illinois Department of Revenue has tracked what is and what is not exempt."

Anyone with a specific question about sales tax exemption and a purchase may email IDOR at REV.E99-Sales@illinois.gov or call 800-732-8866 or 217-782-3336. IDOR representatives are available 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

DISTRICT 17 MEETING

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2. Seeking removal of the ROT and the Use Tax from sales of feeds, including hay when sold by

farmers to feed livestock including horses and poultry for marketing, or for producing dairy products or eggs or other consumer by-products.

3. Seeking elimination of the practice of charging state sales tax on motor fuel.

4. Agricultural exemptions in Illinois state sales tax codes.

Illinois Farm Bureau's grassroots policy-development process provides members the opportunity to express thoughts and ideas on important issues impacting agriculture. When properly supported through the grassroots policy-development process, these concerns are considered and may be adopted by the voting delegates at the organization's annual meeting each December.

Policies approved at the annual meeting direct IFB's legislative priorities and programming. It is from this grassroots input and direction that Farm Bureau realizes its strength as an organization to serve the needs of the members. Adopted

policies become the public policy positions of IFB.

IFB policies that are national in scope are forwarded to the American Farm Bureau Federation for consideration during its policy-development process. Policies adopted at the AFBF annual meeting become both AFBF's and Illinois' public policy positions on national and international issues.

If you have questions on the policy-development process or Illinois Farm Bureau policy, contact Ryan Whitehouse at rwhitehouse@ifb.org or 309-557-3929 or your County Farm Bureau.

Passing the Presidential Torch

By Connor Graham,
Section 25 FFA Reporter

As one journey comes to an end, another begins. This became true for both Brianna Cullers, a member of the Carrier Mills-Stonefort FFA Chapter, and Kevin Morris, a member of the Eldorado FFA Chapter. From being nervous Greenhand members to becoming Section 25 President, their FFA journeys have been nothing short of inspiring.

From competing in Agronomy as a Greenhand member to serving as the 2024–2025 Illinois FFA Section 25 President, Brianna has done it all! Leading individuals, seizing opportunities, and wearing the word “Association” on her back has not only allowed her to discover true passion but also to experience FFA from new perspectives. As she passes the

presidential “torch” to Kevin, she has some final remarks for the section: “Take every opportunity and soak in every single experience as an FFA member in the blue jacket because it goes by so fast.”

Serving as Eldorado FFA Chapter President, Section 25 Sentinel, and now as the current Section President, Kevin Morris has stepped up to the challenge. “Ever since my freshman year, I have always wanted to be a role model and a leader like others have been for me. My goals consist of building up the connectivity in our section, positively impacting those around me, and having a great year!” states Kevin.

As Brianna hangs up her blue corduroy jacket for the final time, emotions are high. Bittersweet endings and exciting beginnings are starting to unfold for her. The

entirety of the section is grateful for her service, fueled by passion, dedication, and kindness. Meanwhile, Kevin is preparing to put on his first official FFA Association jacket and serve alongside both the Illinois FFA State Officer Team and the 2025–2026 Section 25 Officer Team.

Speaking of Section 25, we had an amazing year, and we can’t wait to start an even better one! With that being said, our first section event is the Section Fair in Mas-sac County on July 19. On behalf of the entire 2025–2026 Section 25 FFA Officer Team, we hope to see you there! Let’s make it an awesome day. What a great way to kick off a new year!

Kevin Morris being inducted as the Section 25 President at the 97th Illinois Association FFA State Convention.

Saline County Farm Bureau Awards 26 Grants to Local 4-H Members

Saline County Farm Bureau recently awarded 26 grants to Saline County 4-H members, providing each recipient with up to \$125 to support their 4-H projects. These grants are designed to help young participants purchase essential supplies needed to complete and enhance their work in various project areas, from livestock and agriculture to home economics, science, and more.

By investing in the next generation of agricultural leaders and community contributors, the Farm Bureau continues its commitment to supporting youth development and educational opportunities through 4-H. The funding helps ease the financial burden on families and encourages young members to explore their interests and develop valuable skills.

Saline County Farm Bureau is proud to support the hard work,

dedication, and creativity of these young individuals as they prepare

for this year’s 4-H activities, exhibits, and competitions.

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Soil & Water Conservation District offices in Union, Jackson, and Franklin counties will offer a variety of catfish, bluegill and bass for sale, along with minnows and grass carp. Orders are placed and paid for in advanced for pick up at the respective SWCD office.

If you are purchasing Grass Carp, you may need to provide your county/township/range/sec and pond acreage.

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 - 1/4 cup honey
- 2 teaspoons ground cinnamon
- Salt and freshly ground black pepper

DIRECTIONS:

1. Preheat oven to 375 degrees F.
2. Lay the sweet potatoes out in a single layer on a roasting tray. Drizzle the oil, honey, cinnamon, salt and pepper over the potatoes. Roast for 25 to 30 minutes in oven or until tender.
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Dicamba

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of the College of Agricultural, Consumer and Environmental Sciences at Illinois.

“On the last call we did in 2020, we still didn’t have a way to quantify the magnitude of what was really happening,” he said. “Now we do.”

Hager and his colleagues calibrated sophisticated cameras mounted on drones to detect damage on sensitive soybean canopies treated with one ten-thousandth, one three-thousandth, one-thousandth, and one three-hundredth of dicamba’s label rate. These rates represent exposure from vapor drift, or volatilized, dicamba at one extreme and particle drift at the other. After flying drones over the fields and assessing the damage, the team reported their findings in Pest Management Science.

“We really wanted to make sure we could differentiate damage representing volatilized dicamba at that one ten-thousandth rate from an untreated or dicamba-tolerant soybean field, and we were able to do that,” said the study’s first author Dylan Kerr, a doctoral candidate in crop sciences.

For the first time, the team showed that symptoms can be detected eight days after exposure, even at the lowest level. Symptoms, which were rated using a previously published standardized scale, increased in severity with increasing dicamba exposure levels and with time. Although none of the exposure levels were strong enough to kill dicamba-sensitive soybean plants, all treated fields showed worsening symptoms by day 29.

“We’re using sensors to detect things the human eye can’t see. I mean, we all know what a cupped-up soybean plant looks like after dicamba drift, but we don’t always know when that exposure took place,” Hager said. “This gives us a better idea.”

Now that they’ve isolated the spectral signature of dicamba injury in soybeans, the team is scaling up. They’re working to analyze satellite imagery to detect damage across wider swaths of the Midwest. With a bit of tuning, they think they’ll be able to detect damage in other species, as well.

“What we’ve learned here could absolutely be used to develop a protocol for drones to fly out and detect drift. But we always knew we’d be scaling up and using multi-spectral sensors to understand larger patterns across the landscape,” Kerr said. “Could we monitor tree and shrub canopies with this? Sure, it would be the same thing: ground truth where we see damage and where we don’t, and eventually detect it from space.”

The researchers say the drone and eventual satellite tools could empower growers and policy-makers to better protect sensitive plants.

“A lot of growers are fatigued after filing complaints and not seeing any response. And you have urban communities asking, ‘What’s going on with my trees or the ornamentals in my yard?’ It’s



Dicamba Damaged soybean leaves. Photo by Aaron Hager.

critical for us as public sector scientists to figure out the extent of this problem using research-based evidence,” said co-author Marty Williams, adjunct professor in crop sciences. “We’re not trying to push any sort of agenda or take sides. We’re just asking the question, figuring out the answer,

and sharing it. I think this is a beautiful example of what public sector research is all about.”

The study, “Soybean (*Glycine max* L.) canopy response to simulated dicamba vapor drift using unmanned aerial sensing,” is published in Pest Management Science [DOI: 10.1002/ps.8954].

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Saline County Ag In The Classroom



June was national dairy month. First grade students in the Eldorado Summer School program learned about different breeds of dairy cows and all the products made from dairy. They also made some cute “Moo Masks”.

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SALE TIME: 11:00 AM

SALE LOCATION: SALINE COUNTY SWCD
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Bluegill-Prolific sport fish that should be stocked with Largemouth Bass. Similar to but grows a little slower than the Hybrid Sunfish.



Kids at the Harrisburg Library learned the Ins and Outs of fruits and vegetables. They also learned the difference between a fruits and vegetables with a fun game of Specialty Crop Scoot.



Pig Applesauce Cups- kids at the Eldorado Library learned about pork, pork by-products and that Illinois is #4 in pork production!



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RSVP August 5th

CLASSIFIED ADS

FARM EQUIPMENT

FOR SALE: John Deere 2510 with loader, duals and new tires. Needs paint and minor repairs. \$4,000. Call 618-827-3598.

FOR SALE: Rhino rotary mower 12 ft., \$3,300.00; 1530 JD drill 20 ft., 15 in. spacing Yetter caddy markers \$17,500.00. 618-534-7772.

FOR SALE: Wheel Horse garden tractor, 19.5 HP Kohler 48 inch deck, \$975. Shopsmith woodworking machine with attachments, \$250. Please call 618 922-3630.

FOR SALE: ICON pull scraper, 18 cubic yard, four tires, rear hydraulic hook-up, new paint. \$32500.00 please call 618 967-8761.

FOR SALE: Kubota SVL 90-2 Skid Loader, 4650 hours, hi. flow hyd, 91 hp. 2 speed, good condition, call for pictures. \$28,500. 618-426-9703

FOR SALE: 1968 Massey Ferguson MF135 gas tractor with Continental Z145 engine. \$4500. Located in Murphysboro, please call (618)534-3311.

FOR SALE: Ferguson T20 1950 Model \$1250. Ferguson Plow \$250. Located in the Ava area. Please call 618-967-3127

FOR SALE: 1954 Massey-Harris 44 Special Tractor. Power steering, 12 volt, cast front and rear wheels. 6 wheel weights. \$2300. Please call (618) 763-4432.

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FOR SALE: Reg. Red Angus Bull Peyweight bloodline low Birth weight 10 month old Farmed at Hardin County 618-841-8861.

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FOR SALE: Pair of adult peacocks. Male is black shouldered, and female is blue India color. Hen is laying. \$350 for pair. Call (618) 967-4994.

FOR RENT

FOR RENT: 29 Acres Plus Bamlic Soil, Excellent for growing crops. Available immediately, located Southeast of Carrier Mills. One large flat open field. For more information, call (618)303-5079.

MISCELLANEOUS

FOR SALE: 4 washing machines \$135 each. 3 electric dryers \$135 each. 1 gas dryer \$135. 1 gas stove \$185. 1 electric stove \$225. Lennox 2-ton central air conditioner \$585. 1 Full size bedframe, mattress, and head board \$55. Call 618-521-5014.

FOR SALE: 12 ammunition boxes, \$10 each. 8x10 shed, you move, best offer. Call 618 579-4449.

FOR SALE: Performa Maytag washer, oversize capacity plus, heavy duty, quiet series. Kenmore dryer, electronic moisture sensing, heavy duty, extra-large capacity. \$50 each, must move. Please call 618 751-2791.

FOR SALE: 3 Lane Virginia Maid Tables/Made in the USA, excellent like new condition. 1 Coffee table, ½ beveled glass insert, 2 end tables. \$235 call 618 304-8619.

FOR SALE: Rebuilt Toyota Siena A/C compressor \$25. Stihl 211 chainsaw for parts, \$25. Washable chicken nest pads, \$1.50 each. Call 618-201-5952 Mon – Sat. No Sunday calls.

FOR SALE: AKC Brittany puppies. Born 2/16/25. Up to date on shots and de-wormed. Three liver and white males. Good hunting and family dogs. \$750. Call 573-383-5601.

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FOR SALE: 150 feet 6 foot chain

link fence with double and single gates, support poles etc. \$400 obo. Please call 618 922-9908.

FOR SALE: Whirlpool Limited series, almond color refrigerator with ice maker, two door, upper freezer department, lower fridge. \$150 cash. Call 618 751-2791.

FOR SALE: 3 bedroom 1 1/2 bath, gas heat, central air, new roof, garage, 2 fenced in lots. Older home sold as is. \$95600. Marion area. Call 618-889-7354.

WORK: Tutoring for most school subjects. All grades or subjects, rate by request. Text at 618 925-0013.

WANTED: Someone to hand quilt a quilt top, size 88 x 73. Call 618-534-1845.

WANTED: Looking for a house in Southern Illinois, moving from a large city. Nice yard, quiet town, 2-3 bedroom, 1 to 1 ½ bath. Send information to PO Box 235 Christopher IL 62822.

HUNTER SAFETY COURSE

WHEN: August 16th and 17th, 2025

WHERE: Crab Orchard National Wildlife Refuge Welcome Center

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Mail your classified to your local farm bureau office listed below:

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AITC CORNER • GOATS

Meat Goats



The most common breed of meat goat is the Boer goat. Goat meat is called different things in different parts of the world. In the United States, it is called chevon or cabrito. Chevon is usually lean, low in cholesterol and fat. It can be cooked by stewing, baking, grilling, or frying. About 63% of the global population eats goat meat.

Goat Milk



There are various breeds of dairy goats raised in the United States. Dairy goats can produce between 4 to 5 quarts of milk a day, depending on the breed. Goat milk is whiter than the milk that comes from a cow. This makes the cheese white as well. The top three states for dairy goat production are Wisconsin, Iowa, and California.

GOAT WORD SEARCH

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GOATS IN ILLINOIS



Goats are a species of livestock. They are small, ruminant mammals raised for the production of meat or milk. In 2022, there were about 2.5 million goats in the United States.	Illinois has about 8,400 head of dairy goats and 23,000 head of meat and other goats. This means Illinois accounts for about 1% of the United States goat population.
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