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DID YOU KNOW?

U.S. rice farmers provide 35% of the food resources needed each year for migrating waterfowl in critical flyways in the U.S.

The EU Adopts U.S. Soy Sustainability Assurance Protocol for Biofuels

In late January, the European Union (EU) adopted the U.S. Soy Sustainability Assurance Protocol (SSAP), under the Renewable Energy Directive (RED). Building on the widely accepted SSAP, the new program, called SSAP-RED, addresses the specific requirements of the RED regulations, including restrictions on land conversion with commitments on [auditing, compliance, and reporting](#).

U.S.' Largest Food Company and NGO Partner on Sustainable Food Strategy

Tyson Food and the not-for-profit Environmental Defense Fund (EDF) launched a partnership aiming to support Tyson's sustainability strategy and help meet increasing consumer demand for "more sustainably grown" food. The partnership's first project focuses on land stewardship and aims to pilot and scale agriculture practices on 202,000 hectares (500,000 acres) of maize production in order to reduce greenhouse gas emissions (GHG), improve water quality and [maximize farmer profitability](#).

Maddie's Sustainable Seafood

Maddie O'Laire is a wife, mother and fisherman. The Dallas, Texas native first heard about "the most beautiful place in the world" (Homer, Alaska) from an American family she met while teaching and traveling in South Asia. After Maddie finished her teaching program in 2010, she got on a flight for another exciting

2019 Oxford Farming Conference

'World of Opportunity' was the theme of this year's annual Oxford Farming Conference in the UK where topics ranged from life after Brexit and intelligent agriculture to future innovations such as floating farms and the unpopular idea from Green Party MP Ms. Caroline Lucas

adventure to see exactly what the family was talking about. She hasn't left Alaska since. Maddie and her husband, Mike, live in Homer and run all operations of their fishing company out of Bristol Bay. Alaska Seafood Marketing Institute was able to sit down with Maddie for an interview about her life as a [sustainable seafood fisherman in Alaska](#).



Prioritizing Animal Safety in Ag

Ongoing improvement is key to animal agriculture sustainability, states a new report by the Animal Agriculture Alliance. The 33-page report, *Sustainability Impact Report* focuses on animal agriculture in the United States and highlights how farmers and ranchers share the same values as consumers with their never-ending commitment to animal care, environmental stewardship, responsible antibiotic use, [food safety and nutrition](#).

of [a proposed tax on meat](#). Sustainability was a key focus and featured prominently in the keynote speech delivered by Mr. Michael Gove, the UK Secretary of State for the Environment, [Food and Rural Affairs](#).



U.S. Rice Fact Sheet

Today, U.S. rice farmers produce more rice using less land, energy and water than they did 30 years ago. Each year, over 9 billion kilograms (20 billion pounds) of rice is grown and harvested by local farmers in the states of Arkansas, California, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, and Texas. These farms provide economic opportunity and growth for their community, critical habitat for migratory birds, and the promise of a thriving and sustainable crop [for generations to come](#).



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