

SPDC's Syal and Cyr to Present at MSU Workshop on Design and Construction of LEED Certified Dairy Livestock Facilities



The Kellogg Farm Pasture Dairy Barn was the first livestock facility to receive silver level Leadership in Environmental and Energy Design (LEED) certification from the U.S. Green Building Council. The LEED certification process encourages practices that promote energy conservation, water use efficiency, CO2 emissions reduction, improved indoor environmental quality, and promote natural resources stewardship during the design, construction and occupancy of buildings.

While LEED certification is more common for buildings in urban areas (schools, office buildings, museums, and apartments) the principles can be applied to the design and construction of any type of building, including dairy and livestock facilities.

On Monday, August 20, 2012, the [Design and Construction of LEED Certified Dairy Livestock Facilities Workshop](#) will take place at the MSU W.K. Kellogg Biological Station (KBS) in Hickory Corners. Workshop participants will learn which aspects of LEED certification are most applicable to livestock facilities and tour the KBS dairy barn to see how LEED principals were applied to this facility.

This day-long event will include presentations by the MSU School of Planning, Design and Construction's [Professor Matt Syal](#), Ph.D. and LEED@AP; and Thomas Cyr, M.S.

This workshop is appropriate for anyone involved in the design and construction of livestock facilities; livestock producers, consultants and Extension Educators are also encouraged to attend. Registration is \$60 per participant and includes lunch, snacks and workshop materials. To register and learn more, visit [MSU LEED Workshop](#). Questions contact Mat Haan at haanm@msu.edu or call 269.671.2360.

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