

Pros and Cons of UAV's in Agriculture

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Everyday there is new information on UAV's, UAS's, or Drones in the news and in Agriculture. Everyday there is someone on YouTube with a UAV Video. The current "theme" is to keep learning, stay in touch with the Regulations and don't be stupid. I will provide the pro's and con's of UAV's, help producers understand why they might want to look at this technology, give them examples and provide questions on if they are really suitable to use this technology.

I suggest following these sites for continuing updates and technology information. (No Endorsements are intended)

FAA: <http://www.faa.gov/uas/>

<http://knowbeforeyoufly.org/>

Search the FAA Sect 333 List (Nov 2015 - 2215 granted) https://www.faa.gov/uas/legislative_programs/section_333/

Public Discussions:

Search and Join and Discuss with groups on Facebook and Twitter

Chad Colby : <http://www.agtechtalk.net/>

Rory Blog : <http://aerialfarmer.blogspot.com/>

Small UAV Coalition : <http://www.smalluavcoalition.org/>

Company Discussions:

DJI : <http://www.dji.com/>

Drone Deploy : <https://www.dronedeploy.com/ag>

Flying Ag : <http://flyingag.com/>

Ag Eagle : <https://www.facebook.com/AgEagleLLC>

University discussions:

eXtension: <https://learn.extension.org/> Search UAS

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/learnuasag/>

Twitter: <http://twitter.com/learnuasag>

Website: <http://www.learnuasag.org/>