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## **Julie Sorensen, PhD**

Julie Sorensen is the Director of the Northeast Center for Occupational Health and Safety: Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing. Julie has been actively involved in the development and implementation of ROPS installation programs in various US states and serves on the National Tractor Safety Coalition Steering Committee. She will be integrally involved in efforts to expand funding and structural support for a National ROPS Rebate Program and will also be involved in the evaluation of these expansion efforts.



## **John May, MD**

John May is a researcher at the Northeast Center for Occupational Health and Safety: Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing. He was involved with the initial design and testing of the NY ROPS Rebate Program, which has served as the prototype for ROPS installation programs in various US states. Dr. May serves on the National Tractor Safety Coalition Steering Committee and is assisting in the funding component of the national initiative.



## **Pamela Tinc, MPH**

Pam Tinc is the Senior Research Coordinator at the Northeast Center for Occupational Health and Safety: Agriculture, Forestry, and Fishing. Pam coordinates and serves on the National Tractor Safety Coalition Steering Committee and is highly involved in the effort to expand all aspects of the ROPS Rebate Program in support of a National program, as well as evaluation these efforts.



## **Paul Ayers, PhD**

Paul Ayers is a Biosystems Engineering Professor in the Department of Biosystems Engineering and Soil Science at the University of Tennessee, Knoxville. His expertise is in tractor safety, focusing on roll over protective structures (ROPS) design and testing, and vehicle stability. Dr. Ayers has conducted research and outreach related to tractor safety for 18 years at Colorado State University and 14 years at the University of Tennessee.

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