

**MEDIA ADVISORY** 

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## Senator Testin to Participate in State's First Hemp Harvest Season in Decades

Sen. Testin to Work Alongside Farmers Mike Omernik and Deb Tanis to Harvest Industrial Hemp Crop

**Wittenberg, WI** – On Sunday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>, starting at 10 A.M. Senator Patrick Testin (Stevens Point) will work alongside Plover residents Mike Omernik and Deb Tanis to harvest industrial hemp on the couple's Wittenberg farm.

The event is historic because it is part of the state's first legal hemp harvest in several decades – a harvest made possible by the passage of the Farm Freedom Act. This bi-partisan bill, which was authored by Senator Testin and Rep. Jesse Kremer (Kewaskum), enabled farmers to once again cultivate industrial hemp.

What: Industrial hemp harvest
When: 10 A.M. on Sunday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>
Where: Farm belonging to Mike Omernik and Deb Tanis – 2201 South St. Hwy 49 Wittenberg, WI (old # system) 201296 South St. Hwy 49 Wittenberg, WI (new # system)

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