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New Uses For Old Tires

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"I've discovered some fantastic new uses for old tires that turn them into valuable assets instead of an annoying nuisance," says Dave Geister, a farmer from Prescott, Wis., who's become an expert at finding ways to put discarded old tires to use around the farm.

Two and a half years ago Geister acquired a 1 1/2 acre quarry filled with about

600,000 old tires and then set out to find ways to put them to work around the farm. He's been so successful at finding new uses, including culverts, fencing, walkways, tow cables, hay stack tie-downs, snow fences, erosion control, etc., that he's received a \$15,000 research grant from the state of Wisconsin to test his new

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Geister cuts the sidewalls out of tires and straps them together (above) to make easy-to-handle erosion control "berms" that he can "form fit" to gullies. For other erosion control applications, he leaves the bottom sidewall in (at right).



Geister got started in the "tire business" when he acquired a quarry filled with 600,000 tires.



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