

# NEWS From GEORGIA TECH'S ENGINEERING EXPERIMENT STATION

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## GEORGIA TECH DEMONSTRATES NEW HEATING SYSTEMS FOR CHICKENS

ATLANTA, GA...Solar and wood heating systems for poultry growout houses will be demonstrated at open houses being conducted by Georgia Tech's Engineering Experiment Station and the Georgia Poultry Federation in Carrollton and Villa Rica, July 19, from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Members of the local communities and persons interested in any aspect of the poultry industry are invited to attend the open houses which offer examples of alternate heating systems. The wood-fired system is installed in a growout house owned by George Key and is located off U.S. Hwy. 27 Alternate in Carrollton. The solar system is atop a growout house owned by William Waddell and is located off U.S. Hwy. 78 in Villa Rica.

These heating systems, which were designed by Georgia Tech engineers, are part of an energy research program currently being done for the poultry industry under the guidance of the Georgia Poultry Federation with funds from the Georgia Department of Agriculture.

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The idea behind the open houses is to provide the public with an opportunity to see new methods being developed to cope with energy problems in the poultry industry. According to Randy Mattison of the Experiment Station, these methods could also be applied in other sectors of industry, business and housing.

The heating systems will be in operation at the growout houses and Georgia Tech researchers will be on hand to answer questions. For further information, contact Georgia Tech at (404) 894-3623.