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#### BUSINESS LOCATIONS

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Bradgate .....	515-375-6523	Manson .....	515-890-5409	Rolfe .....	515-890-5430
Estherville .....	712-362-3857	Milford .....	712-338-2223	Ruthven .....	515-884-8430
Gilmore City ...	515-373-6174	Pioneer .....	515-373-6513	Rutland .....	515-332-1491
Graettinger .....	515-884-8298	Pocahontas .....	712-335-3575	Terril .....	515-884-8452
Havelock .....	515-890-5402	Pocahontas HQ ..	712-335-3060	Wallingford .....	515-884-8462

**PRESS RELEASE - Pro Cooperative is building an 800,000-bushel grain bin at their Graettinger location.**

October 25, 2023 - Press release is submitted by Pro Cooperative

Pro Cooperative is continuously looking to improve their facilities and give a better experience for the members and customers. Before the end of the 2022/2023 fiscal year for Pro Cooperative, the Pro's Board of Directors approved a grain improvement project at their Graettinger location. The grain project will improve the overall experience for farmers dumping grain at the Graettinger location. The goal of the project is to help move more grain in a short amount of time.

The Graettinger location will be constructing a new 800,000-bushel bin. Along with the new bin, the project will have the addition of a new 25,000 bushel per hour receiving pit and leg as well as a new overhead conveyor system attaching to the bins. As shared by Pro Cooperative's VP of Operations, "The objective with this project happening in Graettinger is to help eliminate the lines of farmers waiting to dump their grain at harvest. We understand that speed is king during the harvest. We are always striving to improve the farmer's experience, so helping them get back to the fields faster is just one step we are taking to better serve the farmer during the fall harvest. Another exciting addition to the project is a new inbound scale and grain probe to help maximize the location's traffic flow in Graettinger." Pro Cooperative tore down an old building south of the existing bins to make room for the new addition at the location.

Pro Cooperative's Mike Rutter, the Graettinger and Wallingford location's manager, further explains the construction, "The bin will be located directly south and a little west of the elevator office along the railroad tracks. This bin addition will be a game changer for our farmers who haul into the Graettinger location during the fall! When this location was constructed, it was built to handle farmers with tractors and wagons hauling a few hundred bushels of grain per load versus today's thousand-bushel loads in large equipment. We are updating this facility to improve accuracy, speed, and efficiency to better serve our farmers in this area." Rutter goes on to share that the location will be doubling the speed of how quickly farmers can dump grain because there will be a new pit, leg, and conveyor added as well. Dirt work for the location's project started on October 25<sup>th</sup> and is projected to be completed by mid-August 2024. Watch Pro Cooperative's Facebook page for updates of the project during construction.

Pro Cooperative is a full-service farm solution cooperative that services 2,500 members across northwestern and central Iowa. Pro Cooperative is committed to supplying quality Agronomy, Feed, Grain, and Energy products and services to our customers and patrons in 12 Iowa and Minnesota counties.

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**Pictures to showcase the expansion of Pro Cooperative's Graettinger location (6 photos):**



Pro Cooperative will be building a new 800,000-bushel bin and with the accessories south of the existing bins at the Graettinger location.



The new bin will be 105 feet in diameter and will also have a new 25,000 bushel per hour pit and leg added to the location.





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The photo above is detailing an overhead photo of the new bin that is to be constructed in Graettinger as well as the new overhead load out.

