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CSU Agricultural Research and Extension host ODA Director on campus tour

WILBERFORCE, OH – Ohio Department of Agriculture Director Dorothy Pelanda toured the CSU International Water Resource Center and other campus facilities to learn about the university's groundbreaking agricultural research.

Director Pelanda met with CSU President Jack Thomas as well as toured the CSU Honeybee and Pollinator Research Facility and CSU Extension Aquaponics Demonstration Facility.

CSU agricultural researchers also presented information on honeybees, hemp/aquaponics systems, robotics for raspberry farming, corn, water quality, soil, and more.

For more information on the agricultural research and extension programs at Central State University, visit www.CentralState.edu/csuextension

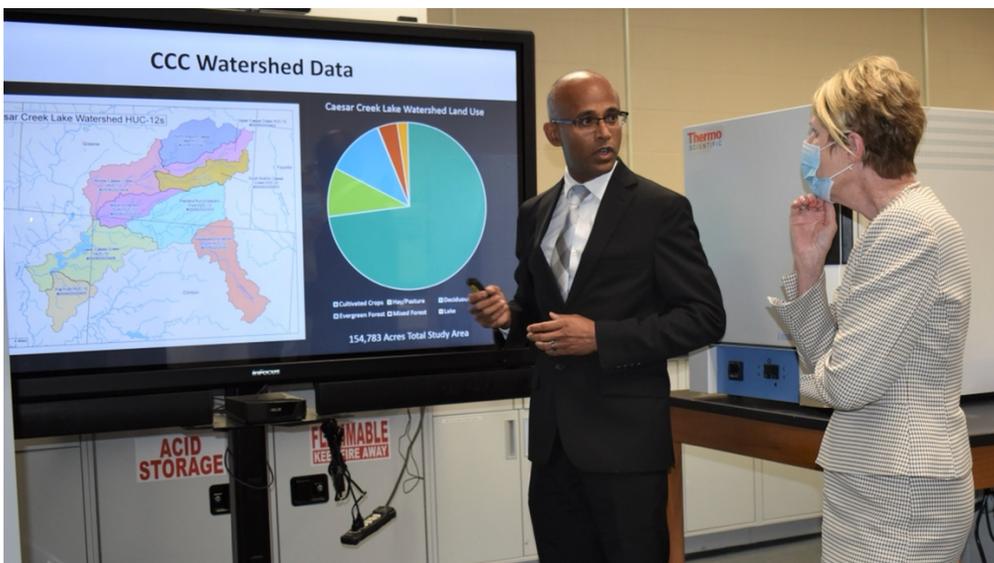
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CSU Extension Agricultural and Natural Resources Program Leaders Dr. Alcinda (Cindy) Folck lead a tour with Director Pelanda at the CSUE Aquaponics Demonstration Facility.



Director Pelanda, left, experienced feeding the tilapia raised in the aquaponics facility with CSU Extension Small Fruit and Vegetable Technician Brian Kampman.



CSU Research Assistant Professor Dr. Satki Kumuran Subburayalu, right, shares updates on the Caesar Creek Lake Watershed Land Use project.



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Polanda, who keeps bees at her own small farm, appreciated the research being performed focusing on honeybees and pollinators.

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