Hydraulic Hose Wrap "Cheaper And Better"

A FARM SHOW article from many years ago prompted Steve Raguse to build his own hose-cutting machine to make hydraulic hose protectors from low-cost common underground water hose.

Raguse does not sell the cutting machines, but does sell the spiral cut HoseSavers through his website at www.hosesavers. com. His HoseSavers are available in 1/2, 3/4, 1 1/4, and 1 1/2-in. dia. sizes.

"They sell for about 25 percent less than other hose protectors on the market, and are also much more abrasion-resistant for longer life," says Raguse. "I use common underground water hose, which has thicker sidewalls than ordinary plastic pipe and therefore provides a more durable shield. It results in better abrasion resistance and a longer useful life. My HoseSavers also work great for protecting wires and cables. Hoses will retain their strength under repeated flexing and bending."

The spiral wrap allows for wire, cable and hose breakouts in any orientation, making it ideal for use on long continuous runs where many leads, or breakouts, are required. Spiral wrap hose protectors are available in lengths of 100 ft. with custom-cut shorter lengths available upon request. Raguse also offers Canvas Hose Protectors for hard-to-reach areas, and large bundles of hoses. These canvas HoseSavers are custom-made for any size hose or bundles of hoses and are secured with Military-grade velcro.



HoseSaver wraps provide protection for hydraulic hose as well as wires and cables. Raguse also sells a canvas wrap, below left. He built the machine that cuts plastic pipe of different sizes.



Raguse says he's looking for dealers and representatives for his HoseSaver products...

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Trench-Digging Wheels For ATV's

"Turn your ATV into a ditching machine by simply removing the stock wheels, bolting on Trench Wheels, and driving through your fields making trench tracks, which drain unwanted water off your crops," says Steve Raguse, inventor-manufacturer of new trench-digging wheels.

Trench Wheels are narrow V-shaped wheels featuring steel rims with aggressive lugs which enable farmers to drive through mud and standing water making trenches for water to drain.

"We've had tremendous response. Farmers in the Red River Valley love these wheels," he says. "After attending the National Farm Show in Louisville, Ky., farmers all over the nation are using Trench Wheels."

The wheels pay for themselves many times over by draining excess water in spring time to get in fields earlier. However, the wheels make the most money for farmers, by draining water off seeded and growing crops after heavy rains. Trench Wheels are an excellent water management tool.



Wheels make a 4 to 14-in. deep trench in muddy ground. Deeper trenches can be made by making repeated passes in the same tracks. Works great for draining water away from flooded fields.

A set of four Trench Wheels sells for \$1,295.

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