

Virtual Advanced Crop Advisers Workshop

Feb. 9-10, 2021

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Audience

This is an advanced workshop for agricultural professionals, including crop consultants, agronomists, Extension agents and agribusiness representatives, who advise farmers with recommendations on crop production.

Agenda

Tuesday, Feb. 9

General Session:

Introduction

1:15 p.m. General Session:

More Acres and Less Time: How Do You Address Climate Weirdness?

Iochum Wiersma

What does the data tell us about the time we have to complete field tasks during our "crunch times" and how do we make the most of the time we have? (0.5 continuing education unit [CEU] – crop management)

Participants will be able to participate in three of six concurrent sessions during the afternoon.

Concurrent Sessions: 2 p.m.

1. 2,4-D and dicamba

2. Low-production fields

2:45 p.m. **Break**

Concurrent Sessions: 3 p.m.

1. Corn diseases

2. Soil compaction

3:45 p.m. Concurrent Sessions:

1. Soybean cyst nematode, sudden death syndrome and brown stem rot

2. Biostimulants

4:30 p.m. Adjourn

Wednesday, Feb. 10

8:30 a.m. General Session:

Introduction; North Dakota Certified Crop Adviser of the Year 2021 Cash Flow and Market

Expectations, and Outlook for **Farm Profitability**

Josh Tjosaas and Randy Zimmerman 2021 farm profitability - 2021 projected cash flows and breakeven for area crops. Summary of 2021 crop price outlook and grain marketing strategies. (0.5 CEU – crop management)

Participants will be able to participate in three of six concurrent sessions during the morning.

9:30 a.m. Concurrent Sessions:

8:45 a.m. General Session:

1. Ragweed

2. Mycorrhizae

10:15 a.m. **Break**

10:30 a.m. Concurrent Sessions:

1. Frogeye leaf spot

2. Cover crops

11:15 a.m. Concurrent Sessions:

1. Soybean insects

2. Acid and K soils

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Concurrent Sessions

All sessions will be recorded and posted for registered participants to view after the workshop.

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What's old is new again: The art and science of using 2,4-D and dicamba Joe Ikley

We have been applying 2,4-D and dicamba for more than 50 years, but now we have the ability to spray the herbicides postemergence in soybeans. Off-target movement gets the lion's share of the headlines, but more attention is needed on optimizing weed control. This session will cover how water pH and herbicide tank mixes might affect efficacy, and more! (0.5 CEU - pest management)

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Tuesday Concurrent Sessions continued

■ Managing Low-production Fields: Soil Tests and Solutions

Naeem Kalwar

Learn about sampling techniques and management options for saline and sodic soils. (0.5 CEU – soil and water management)

■ Goss's Wilt and Other Emerging Corn Diseases

Andrew Friskop

Goss's wilt is the No. 1 corn disease in North Dakota; however, other yield-limiting diseases continue to increase in major corn-producing regions. This presentation will provide a Goss's wilt research update in North Dakota and summarize research efforts on new diseases such as bacterial leaf streak and tar spot. (0.5 CEU – pest management)

■ How to Break Up Compaction in No-till and Reduced-till Systems

Aaron Daigh

While tillage philosophies and practices can vary greatly, this session covers how to break up compaction without destroying soil structure. (0.5 CEU – soil and water management)

■ Soybean Cyst Nematode, Sudden Death Syndrome and Brown Stem Rot

Carl Bradley and Sam Markell

A review of current North Dakota and U.S. research and management recommendations will be provided for soybean cyst nematode, sudden death syndrome and brown stem rot. (0.5 CEU – pest management)

■ Ins and Outs of Biostimulants

Carl Rosen

The market (and marketing push) for biostimulants has exploded in recent years, but what does the data say about what they are, what they claim to do and what they can do in a field environment?

(0.5 CEU – nutrient management)

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■ Biology and Management of Common Ragweed

Debalin Sarangi

What is it about common ragweed biology, growth and development that makes it such a bear to manage? How can we control this weed in the Red River Valley?

(0.5 CEU – pest management)

Uncovering the Mystery of Mycorrhizal Fungi Caley Gasch

This presentation will provide an overview of mycorrhizal fungi: what they are, how they associate with plants and the benefits they provide. We'll also discuss management practices that impact mycorrhizal fungi, including the use of commercial inoculants.

(0.5 CEU – nutrient management)

■ Is This Soybean Disease (Frogeye Leaf Spot) Only an Eye Problem?

Carl Bradley and Sam Markell

A national authority on Frogeye leaf spot will discuss identification, biology and management of this disease, including if this disease is an economic or just visual threat.

(0.5 CEU – pest management)

Natural Resources Conservation Service Cover Crop Producer Programs and Planting Rates

Ted Alme and Carissa Spencer

Join NRCS agronomists from Minnesota and North Dakota as they discuss 2021 programs involving cover crops that will likely benefit your farm clients. (0.5 CEU – Soil and water management)

Insect Management in Soybean: There's More Than Just Aphids Out There

Robert Koch

While soybean aphids tend to punch above their weight (size), producers have good reason to also pay attention to other less common soybean pests. (0.5 CEU – pest management)

Acid Soils, Really? Can There Be Too Much K?

Dave Franzen

This session challenges the notions that we 1) do not need to worry about acidifying soils and 2) that there is no such thing as too much K. (0.5 CEU – soil and water management)

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Certified crop advisers will have the opportunity to receive 4 continuing education units by participating in both days of the workshop.

QR codes to log CEU credits will be available at the conclusion of each session. Participants will need a separate device to scan QR codes.

Preregistration

Preregistration (including fee payment) preferred by Feb. 4. The workshop fee is \$40 per person. Participants <u>must</u> preregister for connection information and links to the workshop.

Electronic registration and credit card payment can be submitted at

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