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Currituck Crop Newsletter - January

Private Pesticide Applicator Testing & Review Session - Jan. 18th

Changes made to the labels of dicamba-containing products labeled for over the top use in cotton and soybean have created new requirements for 2019. Anyone planning to apply dicamba (Engenia, FeXapan, or Xtendimax) over the top to dicamba-tolerant cotton or soybeans must be a certified applicator, and attend a mandatory Auxin Herbicides - Best Management Practices training (even if the training was attended in past years). This requirement mandates that whoever is driving the sprayer needs to have a private applicator pesticide license (those working under the supervision of a certified applicator may no longer make applications), before then attending one of the mandatory trainings.

To assist with anyone needing to obtain a pesticide license, we will be having a review session for the private applicator pesticide exam on Friday, January 18, 2019 at the Pasquotank County Extension Center from 8:30 to 10:30 a.m., with a break from 10:30 to 11:00 a.m., followed by a test starting at 11:00 a.m. There is a fee of \$10 for taking the test, so come prepared to pay.

On February 26, there will be two Auxin Herbicides - Best Management Practices trainings in northeastern North Carolina. One will be held at the Currituck County Extension Center at 11:00 a.m. and the other will be held at Leon Nixon's Catering, 749 Virginia Rd., Edenton, NC at 3:00 p.m. Labels for 2,4-D chlorine-containing products (Enlist One and Enlist Duo) do not require that an applicator be certified to apply these products over the top. However, the NC 24(c) label requires that you must attend an Auxin Herbicides - Best Management Practices training to legally apply 2,4-D chlorine over the top.

NC Soybean Festival - Jan. 22nd

The annual NC Soybean Festival will take place on Tuesday, January 22 at the K. E. White Center on the campus of ECSU. The event begins with the Farmers' Forum at 4:00 p.m. with a panel made up of two guest speakers. Andrew Branan, Extension Assistant Professor, Agricultural & Resource Economics, NCSU; will address Land Rental and Lease Agreements, as well as Liability Issues with Farming Operations. Michelle Wang, International Marketing Specialist, NC Department of Agriculture & Consumer Services will be sharing International Marketing Opportunities for NC Soybean. The doors open to the public at 5:30 p.m. to view exhibits, with the program officially starting at 6:15 p.m. This year's program again consists of the announcement of the poster contest awards and the recognition of the soybean yield contest winners from Currituck, Camden, Pasquotank and Perquimans. Dinner and entertainment will be provided. To register please contact the Pasquotank County Center at 252-338-3954.

Corn Production Meeting - Jan. 30th

The Camden/Currituck Corn Production Meeting is planned for Wednesday, January 30 from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m at the Currituck Extension Office. Dr. Ron Heiniger, NCSU Extension Corn Specialist will be presenting on maximizing corn production. Two hours of N, O, D, & X pesticide credits will be offered. Breakfast will be provided. To get an accurate meal count, a pre-registration link and instructions are listed below.

Soybean Production Meeting - Feb. 6th

The Soybean Production Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, February 6 from 8:00 to 10:00 a.m. at the Camden United Methodist Church, 197 NC HWY 343 S., Camden, NC. Two specialists from NCSU will be presenting on maximizing soybean production, Dr. Rachel Vann, Extension Soybean Specialist, and Dr. Dominic Reisig, Entomology Specialist. Two hours of N, O, D, & X pesticide credits will be offered. Breakfast is provided and sponsored by the NC Soybean Producers Association. A pre-registration link and instructions are listed below to obtain a meal count.

Private Pesticide Applicator Recertification: 2 Hour "V" Training - Feb. 7th

On Thursday, February 7 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon, Mr. Austin Brown, Agriculture Extension Agent - Camden County and Mr. Clay Hudson, NCDA & CS will be offering a Private Pesticide Applicator Recertification 2 Hour "V" Training upstairs in the Historic Camden County Courthouse, 117 NC HWY 343 N, Camden, NC. This course offers two hours of the required "V" credits. After this meeting, the next opportunity in Currituck/Camden counties to obtain these "V" credits will not be until August 2019, before the September 30, 2019 deadline.

Pre-registration for the Soybean Festival, Corn and Soybean Producer's Meetings is required for meal counts. You can register online at go.ncsu.edu/winteragmtgs2019 or by contacting the office at 252-232-2261. No payment is required for any of the provided meals.

For more information or for accommodations for persons with disabilities please contact Adam Formella at 252-232-2262 or email <u>ajformella@ncsu.edu</u> no later than five business days before the event.

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Date & Time	Event	Location	Speakers	Pesticide Credits
January 18 (Friday) 8:30-10:30 a.m. review, 11:00 a.m. test	Private Pesticide Applicator Testing & Review Session	Pasquotank Extension Office 1209 McPherson St., Elizabeth City, NC	NC Cooperative Extension Agents	None
January 22 (Tuesday) 4:00 - 5:00 p.m. Farmers' Forum, 5:30 Festival	NC Soybean Festival	K. E. White Center 1704 Weeksville Rd., Elizabeth City, NC		None
January 30 (Wednesday) 8:00-10:00 a.m.	Corn Production Meeting	Currituck Extension Office 120 Community Way, Barco, NC	Dr. Ron Heiniger, NCSU Extension Corn Specialist; Austin Brown, Agriculture Extension Agent - Camden County	2 Hours of N, O, D, & X
February 6 (Wednesday) 8:00-10:00 a.m.	Soybean Production Meeting NCSOYBEAN PRODUCERS ASSOCIATION		Dr. Rachel Vann, NCSU Extension Soybean Specialist; Dr. Dominic Reisig, NCSU Entomology Specialist	2 Hours of N, O, D, & X
February 7 (Thursday) 10 a.m12 Noon	Private Pesticide Applicator Re-Certification 2 Hour "V" Training	Historic Camden County Courthouse 117 NC HWY 343 N. Camden, NC	Clay Hudson, NCDA & CS; Austin Brown, Agriculture Extension Agent - Camden County	2 Hours of V

Red Lettered = A sponsored meal is included, please call 252-232-2261 or email <u>ajformel@ncsu.edu</u> for meal count. Blue Lettered = Pesticide "V" credit for applicators' licenses expiring on Dec. 31, 2019.