



WEST PLAINS IPM UPDATE

News about
Integrated Pest
Management in
Hockley,
Cochran, and
Lamb Counties
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Cotton Variety Selection Sources Available

In order for you to make good cotton variety selections for this upcoming year I wanted to share some of our Texas A&M AgriLife Extension & Research projects from this last year.

- Response of commercially available cotton varieties to Bacterial blight race 18 click on the following: https://lubbock.tamu.edu/files/2018/01/2017-Bacterial-blight-trial-results.pdf
- Root-knot Nematode Variety Trial Results, 2017 click on the following: https://lubbock.tamu.edu/files/2018/01/2017-Root-knot-nematode-trial-results.pdf (see page 5-6 for Hockley Co. site)
- High Plains Verticillium Wilt Trial Results from 2017 click on: https://lubbock.tamu.edu/files/2018/01/2017-Verticillium-wilt-trial-results.pdf
- Texas High Plains Replicated Agronomic Cotton Evaluation (RACE) Trials, 2017 click on the following: https://lubbock.tamu.edu/files/2018/02/High-Plains-RACE-Results-2017.pdf (see page 20 for Hockley Co. irrigated trial)



AgriLife Extension Offers TDA-Mandated Trainings for Dicamba-Tolerant Cotton Use

The Texas Department of Agriculture will require special training in 2018 for new auxin herbicides applied under a Section 3 approval on dicamba-tolerant and 2,4-D-tolerant cotton. To meet this requirement, the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service in Hockley, Cochran and Lamb counties will host a series of trainings:

Feb 21 Levelland Extension Office 9a

Feb 21 Littlefield Show Barn 1p

Feb 26 Morton County Extension Office 10a

Feb 26 CPS Fieldton noon

March 7 Ag Products Levelland noon

March 21 Littlefield Show Barn 9a

March 21 Levelland County Extension Office 1p

March 22 Morton County Extension Office 10a

The programs will each be one hour in length (see times above). There will be no registration fee. Each class will provide one TDA continuing education unit on laws and regulations.



Pesticide Application Record

Here is a link to a form you can use to record pesticide applications. Feel free to make as many copies as you need, as this form is intended to be for one field.

https://agrilife.org/aes/files/2012/11/Pesticide-Applicator-Recordkeeping-Form.pdf

Worker Protection Standard (WPS) Training Video

If you are looking for a good video to train your employees for the Handler (green) EPA Card use this video: https://vimeo.com/215241678. If you need cards contact Texas Department of Agriculture, Lubbock Office at 806 799-8555 and they can mail you some; or by their office at 4502 Englewood Avenue. Remember this WPS training is now an annual requirement. Call me if you have questions.



Private Pesticide Applicators Training 2018 Cochran, Hockley and Lamb Counties

The Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service will offer the required private Pesticide Applicators Training (PAT) in Morton, Levelland and Littlefield throughout 2018. This training is required by Texas Department of Agriculture before taking the exam for obtaining the license. A private pesticide applicator is a person who uses or supervises the use of a restricted-use or state limited-use pesticide or a regulated herbicide for the purpose of producing an agricultural commodity. This license is not for those receiving monetary compensation for a pesticide application.

To participate in a training individuals must call 806-894-3159 by 3pm the day prior (Wednesday) to the trainings in Levelland; or 806-266-5215 by 3pm the day prior to any trainings in Morton. The trainings will begin promptly at 1pm at the Extension Offices (see addresses below). There is a \$60 fee for training materials. This is only the required training. Testing will be conducted at a separate time and location. **Future PAT Trainings:**

- Feb 22 Levelland Extension Office 1212 Houston Street
- March 22 Levelland Extension Office 1212 Houston Street
- April 24 Morton Extension Office 200 W. Taylor Avenue
- May 10 Levelland Extension Office 1212 Houston Street
- June 21 Levelland Extension Office 1212 Houston Street 5
- July 24 Morton Extension Office 200 W. Taylor Avenue
- August 16 Levelland Extension Office 1212 Houston Street
- Sept 13 Levelland Extension Office 1212 Houston Street
- October 23 Morton Extension Office 200 W. Taylor Avenue Nov 29 Levelland Extension Office 1212 Houston Street



Texas A&M AgriLife Extension seeks to provide reasonable accommodations for all persons with disabilities for any educational meetings. Please contact us to advise us of the auxiliary aid or service that you will require a week in advance of training.

See You On The Radio



Wednesdays from 7:30 am to 7:45 am.



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