



“Rio Blanco” Integrated Pest Management Update

Vital Crop Production Information for Crosby and Floyd Counties

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☛ This letter is a reminder of the farm technology conference to be held in Amarillo and Lubbock on January 8, 2008. Attached is the formal flier for that conference in both locations.

☛ Also, the **Caprock Crop Production Conference** (formerly the Caprock Cotton Conference) is scheduled for January 22, 2008, and is to be held at the Crosbyton Memorial Building. The following individuals have agreed to join and share subjects related to their expertise:

From Industry:

Roger Haldenby, Vice President - Operations, Plains Cotton Growers

Dr. Bruce Maunder, Research Advisor, National Sorghum Producers

Ron Cox, Wylie Sprayers, Petersburg

From Texas Cooperative Extension:

Dr. Randy Boman, Area Cotton Specialist

Dr. Jason Woodward, Area Plant Pathologist

Dr. David Kerns, Area Cotton Entomologist

Dr. Calvin Trostle, Area Agronomist, Grain, Peanut and Forage Crops

Dr. Peter Dotray, Area Weed Specialist

Dr. Leon New, Regional Irrigation Specialist, Amarillo

Ken Cearley, Regional Wildlife Specialist

Jay Yates, Risk Management Specialist

We have applied for 7.5 (TDA and CCA) CEU credits for this meeting. The pre-registration fee remains \$25.00 if completed by calling, e-mailing or writing the Crosby County Extension Office (phone number, e-mail and mailing address above) or the Floyd County Office, by calling Donna Keaton at;

(806) 983-4912 (or),

e-mailing

floyd-tx@tamu.edu (or),

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prior to January 16, 2008. Registrations at the door will again be \$35.00. It is extremely helpful to have RSVP's

in advance in order to plan for the comfort of attendees and to ensure adequate lunches are prepared.

Gins, elevators, fuel distributors and other local businesses will have posters advertising this event complete with sign-up sheets attached for ease of registration. Please call above numbers if your favorite “coffee stop” doesn't have one of these posters and we'll see they get one. Newsletter recipients will have the meeting tri-fold attached which contains a registration form.

There will be other letters of reminder, but we urge all producers to reserve this meeting date and make plans to attend accordingly. Your attendance at Extension Programs, active participation in meeting discussions, and evaluation of conference subject matter is invaluable in planning future programming including topics and potential speakers.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all those producers and industry representatives who have supported the overall Texas Cooperative Extension Programs in Crosby and Floyd Counties in 2007, wish all a Happy Holiday season, and the best of circumstances for the upcoming New Year.

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