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The main program starts with the General Session at 9:00 Tuesday. Awards will be presented by Ohio Farmer magazine and Ohio Certified Crop Advisers. Paul Jasa, Ag Engineer at the University of Nebraska, will be the keynote speaker on “Systems Approach to No-till and Soil Health.”

Note that an Advanced Cover Crops session will begin at 8:00 a.m. in the Chapel and run all day Tuesday. This session will break for Paul Jasa’s presentation.

Starting at 10:30, concurrent sessions take over. The Tuesday program includes Cornell University, Manure Nutrient Management, and Technologies to Support On-Farm Decisions. The sessions will end about 5:30 p.m.

The Wednesday lineup of concurrent sessions includes: Soybean School; Quantifying Soil Health; Conducting On Farm Research: Does it Really Work? (half day); Transition to No-Till (half day); and Conservation Assessment and Planning. The Soil Health and On-farm Research sessions start at 8:00, and the other two will start at 8:30. Sessions will end about 4:30 p.m.

CCA credits will be available, with an emphasis on Soil & Water, Nutrient Management, and Crop Management. We expect 400 crop consultants to attend. The Ohio Certified Crop Adviser of the Year will be honored at the start of the General Session, and the Ohio Farmer magazine will honor Master Farmers.

Our primary audience is farmers, but we provide CCA credits as an extra benefit for crop consultants.

The full program is online at: ctc.osu.edu. Look for changes/additions in speakers and topics.

Corn University will feature Extension Specialists including: Roger Elmore, (Nebraska); Emerson Nafziger (Illinois); and Peter Thomison (OSU), plus Paul Jasa on “Equipment considerations for no-till corn”; Jonathan Lundgren, Entomologist; and Rod Stevenson, who will discuss details of the DeKalb/ASGROW Xtend Crop System.

The Manure Nutrient Management session has 9 topics (5.5 hours total) on a range of topics: Drag hose manure plots (Sam Custer and Glen Arnold, OSU); Dairy and beef manure plot results (Eric Richer, OSU); Nitrogen management when using cestrock manure (Jim Camberato, Purdue U.); Stratification of Phosphorus (David Baker, Heidelberg U.); Working with commercial applicators (Eric Dresbach, W.D. Farms); Flexityr Manure-Field Jury Test (Mike Cook, Innovative Ag Management); Common mistakes made with livestock manure (Kevin Elder, ODA); Balancing for soil nutrients when using manure (Terry Mescher, ODA); and What to expect with ODA inspections (Dan Bruner).

The Advanced Cover Crops session includes: Correcting tillage effects with cover crops (Paul Jasa); Soil health and cover crop economics (Rodney Rulon, no-till farmer); Slug management (Kelley Tilmon, OSU); Managing voles (Alan Sundermeier, OSU, and David Brandt, no-till farmer); Cover crop interseeder (Alex Lindsey and Ryan Hayden, OSU); Short season crop hybrids (Peter Thomson, OSU); NRCS soil health standards (Jim Hoorman); Evaluating cropping systems with cover crops (Anne Morrow, Midwest Cover Crop Council); Soil health assessment (Don McClure, NRCS, retired); and a farmer panel, led by Sarah Noggle (OSU), on cover crop practices to reverse soil degradation.

The Technologies to Support On-Farm Decisions session will focus on Apps in the morning with Kaylee Port (OSU), Jordan Hoeiwischer (Ohio Farm Bureau), and Jay Witkop (John Deere). The afternoon schedule will include: Using technology to setup and conduct on-farm research (Ryan Oehler, Ag Leader); Data collection (Elizabeth Hawkins, OSU); Setup, protocol and results (Steve Culman, OSU); Imagery for decision making (Nate Taylor, AerOptic); Identifying drainage tiles (Rob Freeland and Barry Allred, USDA); On-farm research in Kentucky (Josh McGrath, UK). Day 2 (Wednesday) features another session on Conducting On-farm Research. That will be a morning session, followed by an afternoon session on Transitioning to No-Till. (Speakers announced later) Soybean School will feature soybean agronomists: Emerson Nafziger (U. of Illinois); Shaun Casteel (Purdue); Shawn Conley (U. of Wisconsin); Mark Low (OSU); and Larry Lindsey (OSU), and Harold Watters (OSU). A new session, Quantifying Soil Health, will begin at 8:00 with a presentation by Alan Sundermeier and Vinayak Shedeak on the OSU Soil Health Initiative, management resources. A main speaker will be Jonathan Lundgren from South Dakota on “Managing pests with Mother Nature.” He draws on his experience of many years as an entomologist with USDA-ARS learning how practices that encourage predators will go a long way toward controlling pests, often much more effectively than pesticides alone. Other topics include: Corn nitrogen rates and N uptake, and Overview of commercial soil health tests (both by Steve Culman, OSU); Beneficial microbes (Ye Xia, OSU); Soil balance relationships, Ca/Mg ratios (Vijay Chaganti, OSU); and the OSU soil health assessment package (Raifq Islam).

Another new session is Conservation Assessment and Planning. The morning topics will include, but not be limited to, a keynote speaker on “Decisions” that will focus on soil health and cover crops, and how practices that encourage predators will go a long way toward controlling pests, often much more effectively than pesticides alone. Other topics include: Soil health assessment (both by Steve Culman, OSU); Beneficial microbes (Ye Xia, OSU); Soil balance relationships, Ca/Mg ratios (Vijay Chaganti, OSU); and the OSU soil health assessment package (Raifq Islam).