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Cover Crops Workshop

*Hardin County* – Farmers will have the opportunity to learn about cover crops in a one day workshop at the Plaza Inn Restaurant in Mt. Victory on Friday, February 10. This program will be held in the banquet room of the Plaza Inn, 491 S Main Street, Mount Victory, OH 43340. The workshop will begin at 8:30 am and end at 3:30 pm. The cost of the all day workshop will be $25 and will include lunch, snacks, and reference materials. This workshop will review some key cover crops knowledge taught at last year’s program as well as build on that subject matter by offering advanced cover crop information and timely topics related to this conservation and cropping practice.

Topics taught during the workshop will include benefits of cover crops, which cover crops to plant based on a grower’s goals and crop rotation, when to plant various cover crops, methods of planting cover crops, how to terminate cover crops, seed mixes, voles, moles, and slugs. Another topic being presented at the 2017 Cover Crops Workshop is using cover crops to build soil mycorrhizae to improve soil health and therefore increase soil fertility while protecting soil from erosion and compaction.

Instructors for the workshop will be Jim Hoorman, USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service, Alan Sundermeier, OSU Extension – Wood County, Mark Badertscher, OSU Extension – Hardin County, and Wayne Dellinger, OSU Extension – Union County. For more information, go to [http://hardin.osu.edu/](http://hardin.osu.edu/) or call the Hardin County Extension office at 419-674-2297 for details and to register. Participants need to be pre-registered by February 3.