NC Iowa Agronomy Connection Newsletter
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Welcome to the NC Iowa Agronomy Connection Newsletter. My name is Angie and I am the Extension field agronomist for 9 counties in NC Iowa. I have had the pleasure of meeting many of you the past few months in this job and I look forward to meeting more of you this fall and through the winter meeting season. Have a safe harvest.

Fall To Do List

Soil Sampling. I have received numerous phone calls from producers inquiring about cutting back on fertility inputs for next year's growing season. When asked what their soil sample reports show, frequently they don't know. It is hard to make these kind of input decisions if you don't have data to support your decisions. Take some time to find your soil sample reports, or call your ag retailer and ask for copies. If you have not taken soil samples in the past 4 years now is a good time to do that. ISU's soil fertility recommendations can be found in PM 1688 A General Guide for Crop Nutrient and Limestone Recommendations in Iowa. Or, feel free to contact your ISU Extension Field Agronomist for assistance interpreting your soil test results.

Soybean Cyst Nematode Sampling. While taking
the soil samples consider also taking samples to determine Soybean Cyst Nematode (SCN) levels in fields. See this article from Dr. Greg Tylka on how to collect samples and management information. One Oft Forgotten Important Fall Chore-Sampling Fields for SCN. Once you have your SCN samples back you can use information in PM 1649 Soybean cyst nematode resistant varieties in Iowa to select the best variety to manage SCN. Additional information can be found in this recent ICM article More Choices of SCN-Resistant Soybean Varieties for Iowa in 2015.

You can access information on yield, grain moisture, test weight, lodging and response to fungicide use in the 2014 Preliminary Oat Variety Trial report. The report will be finalized later this fall and will be updated when data from other states has been summarized and included.

EVENTS

November 19, 2014. 10:30 to 12:30. Cover Crop Workshop at the Kanawha Fire Station. This workshop will focus on cover crop mixtures that are currently established at the Northern Iowa Research Farm at Kanawha as well as looking at three different types of seeding methods: above canopy, below canopy, and drilling post-harvest. Additional details will be shared as they become available.

December 10, 2014. Ag Chemical Dealer Update in Ames. This meeting delivers the latest crop production recommendations, news and information directly from ISU Extension and Outreach. Meetings review the positives and negatives of the previous growing season and prepare seed, chemical and fertilizer dealers, crop consultants, farm managers and agronomists for the challenges of the crop production year ahead. CCA credits and
Commercial Pesticide Applicator certification for 2014 is also available. [Agenda and Registration Information]

Farm Bill Program Overview
Please contact your Extension office for more details.
November 19, 9 to noon, Hamilton County
November 20, 9 to noon, Wright County
November 20, 1:30 to 4:00PM, Humboldt County
November 21, 9 to noon, Webster County
December 4, 9:30 to 11:30 AM, Calhoun County
December 8, 1:30 to 4:00PM, Cerro Gordo County
December 11, 6:30 to 9:00 PM, Hardin County, Iowa Falls
December 18, 1:30 to 4:30 PM, Franklin County
December 19, 9 to noon, Hardin County, Ackley

For more information see [ISU Extension Scheduling Farm Bill Program Overview Meetings.]

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