

WEST PLAINS IPM UPDATE

News about
Integrated Pest
Management in
Hockley,
Cochran, and
Lamb Counties
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EPA Announces Changes to Dicamba Registration

Notable changes to the dicamba labels include the following:

1. Application cut-off at 60 days after planting (DAP) for cotton
2. Applications limited to between 1hr after sunrise to 2hrs before sunset
3. **Applications limited to certified applicators only, no supervised applicators! In other words – the person on the spray rig, applying the dicamba, MUST have a license.**
4. Limit of 2 postemergence applications in cotton

Texas Department of Agriculture is currently in conversations with the EPA to submit a 24c request to relax a couple of these restrictions.

The current 24c request will include adjustments to the following label restrictions:

1. Application cut-off at 60 days after planting (DAP) for cotton. This would extend the application cutoff on cotton “90 days after planting or up to mid-bloom”.
2. Applications limited to between 1hr after sunrise to 2hrs before sunset. The request is to revert to the original application time of day window “may be applied from sunrise to sunset”.

Private Pesticide Applicators Training Set for 2019 Hockley County

The Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service will offer the required private Pesticide Applicators Training (PAT) in Levelland on the third Thursday of every month except in January, which will be held on Thursday the 10th. 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 individual must call 806-894-3159 by 3pm the day prior (Wednesday) to the trainings in Levelland. The trainings will begin promptly at 1pm at the Extension Office 1212 Houston Street, Levelland (4 blocks west of courthouse on Houston). 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:

- **January 10 Levelland Extension Office 1212 Houston Street**
- February 21 Levelland Extension Office 1212 Houston Street
- March 21 Levelland Extension Office 1212 Houston Street
- April 18 Levelland Extension Office 1212 Houston Street
- May 16 Levelland Extension Office 1212 Houston Street
- June 20 Levelland Extension Office 1212 Houston Street
- July 18 Levelland Extension Office 1212 Houston Street
- August 15 Levelland Extension Office 1212 Houston Street
- September 19 Levelland Extension Office 1212 Houston Street
- October 17 Levelland Extension Office 1212 Houston Street
- November 21 Levelland Extension Office 1212 Houston Street
- December 19 Levelland Extension Office 1212 Houston Street



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West Plains Ag Conference

Friday, January 11th, 8:00 am
South Plains College,
Sundown Room, Levelland

Speakers include:

Dr. Peter Dotray, TTU & Extension Weeds
Dr. Maeda Murilo, Extension Cotton Specialist
Dr. Terry Wheeler, Research Plant Pathologist
Mr. Wes Utey, County Extension Agent, Agriculture
Kerry Siders, Extension Agent, IPM

Registration is \$20 at the door, includes lunch and
5 CEU's provided to TDA Applicators.
TDA Course #0799309 (3 Gen, 1 IPM, & 1 L&R)

For more information contact Wes Utey at 894-3159, or Kerry Siders at 638-5635

See You On The Radio



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



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