Todd County Extension Agriculture Newsletter



Cooperative Extension Service

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January 23, 2023

County Tobacco Meeting Set—Todd County's winter tobacco production meeting is set for Monday, January 30, 6 p.m. at the Extension Office Meeting Room in the Todd County Courthouse. UK tobacco specialist, Dr. Andy Bailey will be the speaker and will cover dark, burley and wrapper production topics. Supper for adults will be served. Please call the Extension Office (270-265-5659) by Friday, Jan. 27 to reserve a meal.

KY/TN Grain Day—Area grain producers should mark your calendars for the KY/TN Grain Day to be held Friday, February 3 at the Logan County Extension Office in Russellville. This program will feature speakers from Kentucky and Tennessee. Presentations will include a grain marketing update, a discussion of weed management, the economics of grain storage, the effects of severe weather on agriculture, and wildlife management in row crops. There will also be commercial displays from area agribusinesses and farm input suppliers. The program will run from 7:30 a.m. to 1:45 p.m. Lunch will be served. The program has been approved for four hours of Kentucky Class 1A and Class 10 Pesticide CEU credits. Tennessee Pesticide CEUs and CCA CEUs have been applied for. See the enclosed flyer for details. This meeting will meet the CAIP educational requirement.

Tennessee-Kentucky Tobacco Expo is scheduled for Tuesday February 7, 2023, at the Robertson County Fairgrounds, in Springfield, Tennessee, from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. The Fairgrounds is located at: 4635 Hwy 41 North, Springfield, TN 37172. There will be educational sessions and a trade show with several tobacco-related vendors. If you attend the correct educational sessions, you can meet your Tobacco

<u>GAP training requirement for 2023</u> (see enclosed flyer).

Pesticide Certification Meetings Set—The last two Private Applicator Pesticide Certification meetings have been scheduled for mid-February. Check your card to see when it expires—<u>all cards expire on December 31 of the year listed on the card</u>. Each training will last about 2 hours. The meeting dates and times are:

- ⇒ Monday, February 13, 8:30 a.m.
- ⇒ Monday, February 13, 6:00 p.m.

 Both meetings will be held in the Extension Office meeting room in the Todd Co. Courthouse.

<u>Todd Co. Phase I County Agricultural Investment</u> <u>Program (CAIP) cost-share signup begins</u>

February 7--The Todd County Conservation District is administering a new Phase I County Agricultural Investment Program (CAIP) for Todd County farmers. Approved participants may receive a 50% cost-share for eligible expenditures up to a maximum of \$3,500 reimbursement, before prorating. Available cost-share money will be prorated across all qualified applicants, subject to the maximum.

Signup for CAIP will begin with an orientation meeting on Tuesday, February 7, 6 p.m. at the Elkton Baptist Church CLC Building (activities building behind the main church building). A second orientation meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 8, 8:30 a.m. in the same location. After these orientation meetings, orientation and signup will continue at the Todd County Conservation District Office through close of business on Friday, March 10, 2023.

There are 11 investment areas eligible for cost-share funding. Applicants may choose up to 3 areas in

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which to request cost-share funds totaling up to \$3,500, **before prorating**. See enclosed flyer for a list of Investment Areas. Complete program information will be provided during orientation.

Applications must be submitted at the Todd County Conservation District Office at 101 Elk Fork Road, Elkton, KY (phone 265-5638, ext. 3). For those who can't attend an orientation meeting, orientation may be completed by watching a computer slide show at the District Office. All applicants must meet criteria set by the Conservation District Board of Supervisors and Todd County Ag. Development Council. Applicants must be at least 18 years of age and have a current FSA Farm Number. State rules specify that no reimbursements can be made for anything paid for with cash. Additional rules and procedures besides those listed apply to this program. Complete program guidelines will be provided during orientation. This program is funded with money provided by Kentucky Agricultural Investment Fund (Phase I Tobacco Settlement money).



BQCA Meetings Set for March—Two Beef Quality and Care Assurance meetings have been set for Monday, March 13 at the Todd Co. Extension Office meeting room. The first class will be at 8:30 a.m. and the other will be at 6:00 p.m. A current BQCA certification will be needed for anyone applying for beef or dairy money under the Large Animal investment area of the CAIP cost-share program.

BQCA certifications are good for 3 years. You can call the Extension Office or to see if a previous certification is still valid. BQCA training meetings do not meet the requirement for a CAIP educational meeting.

2022 Census of Agriculture—The National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) mailed the 2022 Census of Agriculture questionnaires to ag producers in November and December 2022 to collect data for the 2022 calendar year. Producers are able to respond online or return their completed questionnaires by mail. Responses are due by February 6, 2023. NASS will send reminder notices to those who do not respond and may attempt to contact those producers for a personal interview. Response to the Census of Agriculture is required by

NASS will release 2022 Census of Agriculture results in 2024. Detailed data will be available for the 2022 and earlier censuses in electronic formats for the United States as well as all states and counties and Puerto Rico. A full schedule will be available summer 2022 at www.nass.usda.gov/AgCensus.

2022 UK Corn and Soybean Variety Trial books and Row Crop Weed Control books are available at the Extension Office. The variety test results can also be found on the web at:

http://www2.ca.uky.edu/agcomm/pubs/PR/PR815/PR815.pdf, for the corn tests, and http://www2.ca.uky.edu/agcomm/pubs/PR/PR828/PR828.pdf for the soybean test. Be sure to look at the statewide averages and multi-year averages to help remove some of the location-specific variability in the tests.

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Todd Co. Extension Agent for ANR Education

KY-TN GRAIN DAY

FEBRUARY 3

7:30 AM - 1:45 PM

LOGAN COUNTY EXTENSION OFFICE 255 JOHN PAUL RD RUSSELLVILLE, KY

270-726-6323

7:30 - 8:10 am **Registration & Refreshments**

Sponsored by TN Soybean Promotion Board

8:10 - 9:00 am Prices, Costs & Profitability: Where are Grain

Markets Headed & How Can Risk be Mitigated?

Dr. Aaron Smith, UT Agriculture Economics

9:00 - 9:50 am Weed Management: Grasses & Vine Control in

Corn, Dicamba Resistant Pigweed in Soybeans

Dr. Travis Legleiter, UK Weeds

9:50 - 10:15 am **Break Visit Trade Show**

10:15 - 11:05 am **Economics of Grain Storage & Storage Options**

Dr. Sam McNeill, UK Agriculture Engineering

11:05 - 11:55 am How Severe Weather & Severe Weather Events

Impact Agriculture

Matt Dixon, UK Meterologist

11:55 - 12:10 **Break Visit Trade Show**

12:10 – 1:30 pm Lunch
Sponsored by B.R. Knuckles Insurance Agency

Wildlife Issues & Management in Row Crops

Dr. Matt Springer. UK Forestry

1:30 - 1:45 pm

Evaluations & Door Prizes

2023

TRADE SHOW
OPEN UNTIL 1PM

CCA, KY & TN COMMERCIAL PESTICIDE CEU'S APPLIED FOR





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TN-KY TOBACCO EXPO

Tuesday, February 7, 2023 8:00 am - 1:00 pm

Robertson County Fairgrounds 4635 Hwy 41 North Springfield, TN 37172

- 7:30 am Red Brick Building
 - Registration and Trade Show Opens
- 8:30 am 9:20 am White Building
 - o Agronomic Update
- 9:30 am 10:20 am White Building
 - o Pathology Update (Plant Diseases)
- 10:30 am 11:20 am White Building
 - GAP Update and Labor Update
- 12:00 Noon 1:00 pm Red Brick Building
 - Sponsored Lunch tables in side-rooms
- 1:30 Noon 3:00 pm White Building
 - Pesticide Re-certification- Cost \$25

NOTE: Participants needing 2023 GAP Training Credit must attend the Agronomic Update, **OR** the Pathology Update; **PLUS** the GAP/Labor Update.

Speakers:

- Andy Bailey UK Tobacco Specialist
- Mitchell Richmond UT Tobacco Specialist
- Zach Hansen UT Plant Pathologist
- Andrea Keeney UK PhD Student
- Amy Rochkes GAP Connections

CEUs for CCAs: Integrated Pest Mgmt - 1; Crop Mgmt - 1; Professional Dev - 1

Points for TN Commercial Applicators: 2 for Categories 1, 10, 12

Points for KY Commercial Applicators: 1 General & 1 Categories 1A and 10

Programs in agriculture and natural resources, 4-H youth development, family and consumer sciences, and resource development. University of Tennessee Institute of Agriculture, U.S. Department of Agriculture and county governments cooperating. UT Extension provides equal opportunities in programs and employment.

MONEY FOR FARM IMPROVEMENTS



Eligible Investment Areas:

Agricultural Diversification
Ag Tech & Leadership Development
Large Animal - Small Animal
Farm Infrastructure
Fencing & On-Farm Water
Forage & Grain Improvement
Innovative Ag. Systems
On-Farm Energy
Poultry & Other Fowl
Value Added & Marketing

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Todd County Conservation District
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COUNTY AGRICULTURAL INVESTMENT PROGRAM (CAIP)

Applications are available for Todd County's CAIP to assist farmers in making important farm investments.

Orientation Meeting: February 7th at 6:00 p.m. or February 8th at 8:30 a.m. Elkton Baptist Church

Application Period: February 7th - March 10th, 2023

No applications will be accepted before February 7th, 2023
Application Availability:
Todd County Conservation District
Monday – Friday 7:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

For More Information: Call (270) 265-5638 Ext. 3

All applications are scored, based on the scoring criteria set by the Kentucky Agricultural Development Board