

West Central Citrus Letter

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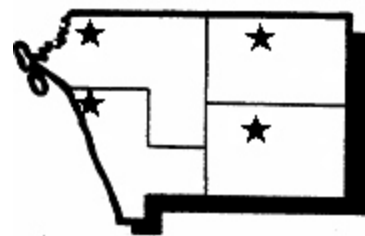
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September 1, 2009

Low Volume Application Equipment Calibration Rodeo, Sept. 15, 16

The USDA research team from Texas that specializes in agricultural equipment calibration will be in Florida to assist with a low volume calibration event. The program will assist growers in evaluating their low volume sprayers in determining particle size distribution during application. Please be aware that this type of equipment must develop a specific droplet size as required on the pesticide label.

The event will be held in Lake Placid on Sept. 15 and repeated on Sept. 16 in Haines City. Both events will be held from 9 AM until 3 PM. To have your low volume equipment evaluated, please contact Maggie Jarrell at 352-343-4101 to schedule an appointment time. The appointment time should assist in minimizing waiting times once you arrive at the event.

Please see the enclosed 2-page flier for program information and event directions. The event is free of charge and is being supported by USDA, Florida Citrus Production Research Advisory Council (box tax group), and Florida Cooperative Extension Service.

Low Volume Application Technology Program, Oct. 15, Arcadia (other locations available)

The citrus extension agents will be conducting a series of low volume application technology programs during the month of October in multiple locations

around the state. This series will allow individuals to attend the location that fits their schedule the best. Please see the enclosed flier for more program information and meeting locations.

Each program will consist of the following topics:

- Low volume labeled materials
- Low volume application
- Application considerations
- Worker safety
- Equipment demonstration/show

Each program will begin at 8:30 AM with registration and conclude at 12 noon with a sponsored lunch. Three and one half (3.5) CEUs for holders of a restricted use pesticide license and 2 CEUs for certified crop advisors in Pest Management have been requested.

To register, please see the enclosed flier listing each meeting's location, date and RSVP phone number.

The program requires advanced registration to adequately prepare for sufficient meals.

Pre-registration is required.

Ag Tree Crop Restricted Use Pesticide Review and Testing, Sept. 30 (Arcadia)

A review and testing class for the commercial ag tree crop exam will be conducted on Sept. 30th at the DeSoto County Extension Service Office in Arcadia at 2150 NE Roan Street which is across the road from DeSoto County High School.

The review class will begin at 9 AM with testing at 11 AM. The course will review the "Agriculture Tree Crop Pest Control" manual from which the test is developed. Registration for the program is \$20.00 per person and includes the study manual. For those needing CEUs only, the registration fee is \$5.00. Two (2) CEUs have been requested in the ag tree crop and private category areas. To register, please contact the DeSoto County Extension Service Office at 863-993-4846. Pre-registration is requested prior to Sept. 23rd.

Restricted Use Pesticide License Review and Testing, Oct. 12, 2009 (Wauchula)

A three-hour (3) pesticide license review and testing class will be held on Monday, Oct. 12, 2009 at the Hardee County Extension Service Office at 507 Civic Center Drive in Wauchula. The class will review the materials contained in the tests to obtain a private applicator pesticide license. The class will begin at 9:00 A.M. and conclude at noon with the test being given at 1:00 P.M. Three CEUs (2 Core and 1 Private) will be offered to individuals that have a current pesticide license and will be renewing using CEUs. A registration fee of \$25.00 per person is charged to cover the study manuals and refreshments. To attend the class for only CEUs, the registration fee is \$5.00. If you wish to attend the class to obtain CEUs or to take the test, please call the Hardee County Extension Service Office at 863-773-2164 to register. Pre-registration is requested prior to Oct. 5, 2009.

Citrus Newsletter to Go Electronic

Effective November 1, 2009 funding for bulk mailing of newsletters will no longer be provided by the University. By providing us with an email address to send future newsletters, we will be able to increase the timeliness of supplying information and reduce our postage costs. Please forward us your email address to Ms. Jane Wilson at mjw@crec.ifas.ufl.edu or by calling her at 863-956-1151 ext. 1309 to ensure that you will continue to receive our citrus newsletter. If you have already provided Ms. Wilson with your email address, we thank you. If you have not already provided an email address, please do so as soon as possible.

Dates to remember:

- Sept. 15 – Low Volume Application Rodeo, Lake Placid
- Sept. 16 – Low Volume Application Rodeo, Haines City
- Sept. 30 – Ag Tree Crop Restricted Use Pesticide License Review and Testing, Arcadia
- Oct. 12 – Private Restricted Use Pesticide License Review and Testing, Wauchula
- Oct. 15 – Low Volume Application Technology for Citrus Pest Series, Arcadia (other locations available)

Sincerely,

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