

Northwest Direct Seed Cropping Systems Conference & Trade Show

January 13 & 14, 2005

Mirabeau Park Hotel & Convention Center, Spokane Valley, WA

CONFERENCE PROGRAM

(Tentative as of 11/12/04)

THURSDAY 13 JANUARY

General Session

10:00 a.m. International Systems

Evolution and Changes in Cropping: Some Differences That Make No-till in South America Successful, Dirceu Gassen, Technical Manager No-till Farmers Cooperative, Brazil

Farming Practices and Direct Seeding in Semiarid Steppes of North Kazakhstan and West Siberia, Dr. Mekhlis Suleimenov, Assistant Regional Coordinator ICARDA-CAC Tashkent, Uzbekistan

12:00 p.m. Lunch & Pacific Northwest Direct Seed Association Annual Meeting

1:30 p.m. Emerging Issues

Impact of Energy Costs on Agriculture, Dr. Duane Griffith, Extension Farm and Ranch Management Specialist, Montana State University, Bozeman

Impact of the Internet on Agriculture and Rural Communities, Dr. Bill Gillis, Director, Center to Bridge the Digital Divide, Washington State University, Pullman

3:00 p.m. Break

3:30 p.m. Cropping Systems

Direct Seed Experiences in Alberta, Don Wentz, Agronomist, Reduced Tillage Linkages, Lethbridge, Alberta

Glucosinolates an Opportunity in Agriculture, Jack Brown, Professor of Plant Breeding University of Idaho, Moscow

6:00 p.m. Social Hour

FRIDAY 14 JANUARY

Concurrent Sessions

7:45 am Low, Intermediate & High Rainfall Cropping Systems

Low

Paul Shanno, The Dalles, OR

Jim Hirst, Hirst Farms, Inc., Harrington, WA

Bill Schillinger, Dryland Agronomist, Washington State University, Ritzville

Intermediate

Fritz Hill, Hill Ranches Inc., Pendleton, OR

Ron Kile, KLC Inc., Rosalia, WA

Joe Yenish, Extension Weed Scientist, WSU, Pullman

High

Eric Odberg, Odberg Farms, Genesee, ID

Dick Wittman, Wittman Farms, Lewiston, ID

Dave Huggins, Soil Scientist, USDA-ARS, Pullman, WA

8:55 a.m. Concurrent Sessions Repeated

General Session

10:30 a. m. Cropping Systems

Winter Pea and Lentil Production, Dr. Kevin McPhee, Research Geneticist, USDA-ARS, Pullman

Making Cropping Decisions in a 12 Inch Precipitation Zone, Bill Jepsen, Grower, Heppner, OR

On-farm Direct Seeding Results from Spokane and Whitman Counties, Dr. Diana Roberts, Agronomist, Washington State University Extension, Spokane

12:00 p.m. Lunch – Visit the Exhibits

1:00 p.m. Soil Stewardship

Soil Health: Your Family's and Your Farm's Future, Dr. Anne Kennedy, Microbiologist, USDA-ARS, Pullman, WA

Alteration of Earthworm Populations and Soil Physical Properties Following Conversion to No-Till, Dr. Jodi Johnson Maynard, Soil Scientist, University of Idaho, Moscow

2:00 p.m. Equipment and Farming Systems Technology

Applications of Precision Agriculture for PNW Growers, Dr. Fran Pierce, Precision Agriculture Center, Washington State University, Prosser

2:30 p.m. Break

3:00 p.m. Equipment and Farming Systems Technology

Travis Hillman, AG-Teq, The Dalles, OR

Kevin Anderson, Horsch-Anderson, Andover SD

Ag Vision and JD Global Ventures, James Cundiff, John Deere, Reno, NV

4:30 p.m. Conference Adjourns

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