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## **Keynote Speaker Announced for 2018 Winter Corn and Soybean Congress**

Noted Purdue University weed specialist to focus on herbicide-resistant weeds

**HARRISBURG, PA (October 30, 2017)** – Managing herbicide-resistant weeds is becoming increasingly challenging for crop producers and land managers. Dr. Bryan Young, Professor of Botany and Plant Pathology at Purdue University, will address this issue and offer effective weed management strategies as the keynote speaker for the 2018 Winter Corn and Soybean Congress, to be held February 22, 2018 in Grantville, Pa.

Dr. Young will speak on integrated weed management for problematic or herbicide-resistant weeds in corn and soybean to encourage growers to adopt practices that lessen the impacts of these weeds on their farms.



**Dr. Bryan Young** 

Dr. Young holds a doctorate in crop science with a specialization in weed science from the University of Illinois. In addition to applied research on high profile and herbicide resistant weeds, Young has conducted research with herbicide adjuvants and spray nozzles. He has also authored numerous journal articles and published eight editions of the Compendium of Herbicide Adjuvants booklet.

In addition to Dr. Young, the Winter Congress will also feature industry experts and university educators who will discuss current trends that will impact Pennsylvania farming operations. Exhibitors will showcase their latest advancements in an ag trade show that runs throughout the day.

The 2018 Winter Corn & Soybean Congress, co-sponsored by the Pennsylvania Soybean Board and the Pennsylvania Corn Growers Association, will be held February 22, 2018 at the Holiday Inn in Grantville, Pa. Registration will be open starting in December.

## **About the Pennsylvania Soybean Board**

The <u>Pennsylvania Soybean Board</u> is a farmer-controlled Board responsible for managing Pennsylvania's share of funds received from the nationwide Soybean Checkoff program. The funding is available under an assessment program, approved by Congress in 1990, under which soybean farmers contribute 50 cents of every \$100 they receive for their beans at the first point of sale. Funds are used to develop markets, educate consumers, and research new ways to utilize and produce soybeans more efficiently.

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