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2015 Winter Corn and Soybean Congress Set for February

Cutting-edge information for Pennsylvania corn and soybean growers

HARRISBURG, PA (January 21, 2015) – Corn and soybean growers are invited to the join in as industry experts and specialists from Cornell University, Delaware Valley College and Penn State University present cutting-edge agronomic information at the 2015 Winter Corn and Soybean Congress. The Winter Corn and Soybean Congress, to be held February 19 at the Grantville Holiday Inn in Grantville, Pa., is co-sponsored by the Pennsylvania Soybean Board and the Pennsylvania Corn Growers Association.

"This should be a great meeting to network with other grain crop producers and advisors in our state," says Dr. Greg Roth, Penn State agronomy professor. "Growers will find it well worth their time to attend."

University educators will review the current research being done on behalf of corn and soybean farmers and their number one customer for soy meal, animal agriculture. Some key topics on the agenda this year will be managing corn and soybean diseases with Dr. Gary Bergstrom from Cornell University and coping with low grain prices in crop management with Dr. Jayson Harper, Penn State. Other key topics will be grain drying and storage tactics and the fundamentals of Identity-Preserved grain production. Breakout sessions with a panel discussion key on crop management issues in corn production and findings of the On-Farm Network soybean testing will also be reviewed.

The meeting is slated for February 19, 2015, from 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. at the Grantville Holiday Inn in Grantville, Pa. Cost is \$10/person before February 10. Any registration after February 10 is \$15/person. Lunch is provided and CCA and pesticide credits are available. Register by calling the Pennsylvania Soybean Board at 717-651-5922 or email <u>contact@pasoybean.org</u>. Doors open for registration and refreshments at 8:00 a.m.

Topics include:

• PA 4Rs Alliance

Eric Rosenbaum, Rosetree Consulting, Crop and Environmental Advisor, Shillington, PA

- Secrets of Drying and Conditioning Small Grains & Grain Storage and Handling Principles Galen Julius, TAM Systems, Dillsburg, PA
- Transportation Update PennDOT
- Foreign Trade Issues Miguel Escobar, US Soybean Export Council (USSEC)
- White Mold & Northern Corn Leaf Blight Dr. Gary Bergstrom, Cornell University
- Panel Discussion on 2015 Corn Crop Management Issues
- On-Farm Network Soybean Updates Del Voight, Senior Extension Educator, Penn State
- Fundamentals of Identity-Preserved Grain Production Kevin Fry, Agronomist, DuPont Pioneer
- Risk Management (Weathering Low Prices) Dr. Jayson Harper, Penn State

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. For more information, visit <u>www.pasoybean.org</u>.

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