

Field Tour To Highlight Crop Management Issues

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Grain producers looking for information to increase the profitability of their farming operations will want to attend University of Illinois' Brownstown Agronomy Research Center Field Day on Thursday, July 31, beginning at 9 a.m. The research farm is located on Illinois Route 185, southwest of Brownstown.

"This year's tour topics will be of special interest in light of some of the season's production problems," says Robert Bellm, University of Illinois Extension crop systems educator. "Emerson Nafziger, U of I crop specialist, will discuss corn and soybean development and how yields may be affected by the delayed planting. Fabian Fernandez, soil fertility specialist, will discuss

efficient fertilizer utilization in light of current high fertilizer prices."

Other tour topics include herbicide resistant weed management, insect management issues, and the use of fungicides in managing wheat diseases.

Following the tour, a complimentary lunch will be served. Participants are encouraged to come early, as the final tour will leave at 9:20 a.m. Certified Crop Advisor continuing education credits will be available.

For more information, contact Bellm at 618-692-9434. If you need disability accommodations to participate in this program, please call by July 25. Δ