PigPosium To Convene In Forrest City

he University of Arkansas Cooperative Extension Service and Delta Farm Press are presenting a one-day seminar on glyphosate-resistant pigweed.

The PigPosium will begin Wednesday, Nov. 17, at 8:45 a.m., at East Arkansas Community College, Forrest City, Ark. (From I-40, take Exit 242 (Crowley's Ridge Road). Go north on Hwy. 284 and take the second right (east) into the EACC campus. You will see the Fine Arts Building on your left.)

Pigposium topics include best management practices for control of pigweed in soybean and cotton, economics of pigweed management, wick applicators, crop rotation and new technology.

Experts will also discuss the characteristics of glyphosate-resistant pigweed. Before you put together a plan for control, be sure to sit in on this session to gain a better understanding of pigweed's growth and reproduction requirements.

Other weed scientists, including Nilda Burgos of the University of Arkansas, Larry Steckel of the University of Tennessee, and Jason Bond of Mississippi State University, will help producers understand how glyphosate-resistant pigweed developed in the Mid-South.

The Pigposium will wrap up with a panel discussion on managing the soil seed bank and farmer programs that work, and conclude by 3 p.m.

That panel will include Mid-South farmers David Wildy and Adam Chappell, as well as Arkansas weed scientists Jason Norsworthy, Bob Scott and Ken Smith. They'll describe their research on aggressive control techniques such as tillage and cover cropping, overlapping residuals and hand chopping.

Door prizes include Yeti ice chests, \$250 to \$500 gift certificates, trail cams and a Browning Maxus shotgun. For more information, visit the EACC web site www.eacc.edu. Δ



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