

UK Offering A New Field Day

PRINCETON, KY.

University of Kentucky College of Agriculture specialists will host the first field day dedicated to corn, soybeans and tobacco from 7:30 a.m. CDT until noon Aug. 9 at the UK Research Farm in Princeton.

UK specialists are trying this commodity-specific field day with the goal of providing farmers with more research and educational information concerning the three crops. While this is the first Corn, Soybean and Tobacco Field Day, it's not the first commodity-specific field day hosted by UK agriculture specialists. The annual Wheat Field Day and bi-annual Beef Bash have been successful events, said Lloyd Murdock, UK extension soils specialist.

Although the grain and tobacco field days will be held at the same time, they are separate tours with opportunities for producers to participate in parts of both tours.

Tobacco topics include new pesticides and residues; variety development; and nitrogen sources and use patterns.

Corn and soybean topics include common problems in corn; corn hybrid testing; soybean

planting dates; soybean variety testing; a demonstrational soil pit; enhancers/stabilizers for nitrogen and phosphorus; varying nitrogen rates; soybean diseases, soybean cyst nematode and fungicides; narrow row corn yields; herbicide-resistant pigweeds; and grain storage and pests.

The following credits for Certified Crop Advisors are available: 1.5 in nutrient management, 1.5 in pest management and two in crop management. Pesticide applicator credits include one general and one specific hours in Category 1A.

The UK Research Farm is located at 1134 Hopkinsville St. in Princeton.

A free lunch will be provided by the Kentucky Soybean Association, Kentucky Corn Growers Association, Burley Stabilization Corporation and Chemtura AgroSolutions.

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