

University Crop Science Field Tour Dates Set



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The Department of Crop Sciences at University of Illinois will be hosting summer field tours at its research centers in the upcoming weeks. These field tours highlight the latest agronomic research being conducted by the university, and they provide valuable information to growers throughout the state.

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In addition to its main research farm on campus, the U of I Department of Crop Sciences operates five outlying research centers, representing the major soil types and growing environments in the state. Crop production research conducted at these centers is locally relevant to the growers farming in those areas because it represents their unique soil types and growing conditions.

Although field day tour topics vary by location, research developments in weed, insect, disease and fertility management are normally offered at all locations. Some locations also offer tours covering plant breeding, soil and water man-

agement, crop marketing and engineering technologies.

Mark your calendar now and plan to attend one or more of these events. In addition to seeing current research results, you will have the opportunity to check out the crops around the state and visit with your neighbors about their cropping systems. Below is a list of this year's field days:

- Thursday, July 31, 9 a.m. – Brownstown Agronomy Research Center, Brownstown, 618-692-9434

- Thursday, August 7, 8 a.m. – Dixon Springs Agricultural Center, Simpson, 618-695-2790

- Thursday, August 21, 7 a.m. – UIUC Crop Sciences Research & Education Center, Urbana, 217-333-4256

- Monday, August 25, 4 p.m. – Orr Agricultural Research and Demonstration Center, Perry, 217-236-4911

- Thursday, August 28, 8 a.m. – Northwestern Agricultural Research and Demonstration Center, Monmouth, 309-734-7459. Δ

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