

Weed Control, Disease Management On Agenda For April 2 Peanut Meeting

POCAHONTAS, ARK.

Tactics to cope with weeds and disease are on the agenda for the Peanut Preplant meeting to be held April 2 at Black River Technical College.

The meeting, set for the Continuing Education Building, Room 113, begins at noon and includes lunch. Registration before the Contact The Randolph County extension office at 870-892-4504 or mandrews@uaex.edu or Herb Ginn in the Lawrence County office at 870-886-3741, or hginn@uaex.edu.

Peanuts have undergone a significant growth spurt in acreage in Arkansas, going from 600 acres in 2010 to about 18,000 acres in 2012.

"We're all going through a big learning curve with this crop in Arkansas," said Mike Andrews, Randolph County extension staff chair for the University of Arkansas System Division of Agriculture. "Meetings like this are an opportunity for our growers to learn how to deal with issues such as peanut diseases and weed control."

The agenda includes:

- Pre-plant and early-post-planting

weed control – Bob Scott, extension weed scientist

- Early disease management – Travis Faske, extension plant pathologist

Also on the agenda are Parker Williams of Southland Irrigation and Gordon Drennan, Clint Williams Co. Δ



Peanut Harvesting in Walnut Ridge, Ark. October 2012.
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