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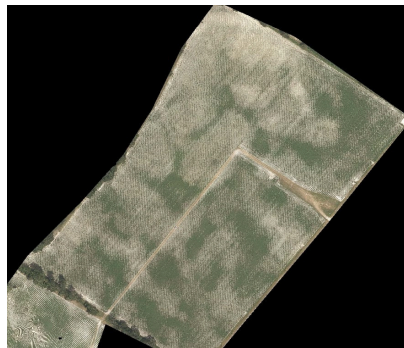
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Important Note: Registration deadline for events listed below will vary from as few as 24 hours prior the event to as much as 3-4 days prior the event so please register as much in advance as possible. Also, while attendance is open to anyone, meals, when served, will only be provided for those that register in advance.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Note: Most events provide NCDA & CS pesticide credits as well as CCA credits. Check details of the events at the [NCSU Field Days Calendar](#) or local NC Cooperative Extension webpages

2024 Tobacco Day - Review and discuss ongoing research with NCSU faculty, NCDA & CS faculty and industry from 9 am - 1 pm at the Cunningham Research Station, [200 Cunningham Rd, Kinston, NC 2850](#). Registration required for meal the noon meal. Register [HERE](#).

NCDA & CS Pesticide Division Pesticide Exams Near Us

Exams provided by the NCDA & CS Pesticide Division relatively near us are listed below. To register, visit their [webpage](#) or call 919-733-3556.

- August 6, 2024 in New Bern, at the Craven Co Agricultural Bldg. 300 Industrial Dr.

For those wishing to take the NC Pesticide School prior to the exam, information for dates, location and fees for these classes is found at the [NCDA & CS Pesticide Division's website](#).

For individuals wishing immediate testing, [online exams](#) are an option.

If you desire other meetings or similar meetings in other counties, all meetings, field days, commodity events, etc. within the state are listed [HERE](#)

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New Livestock Agent

Please join us welcoming Krisi Welke, our new Extension Agent serving livestock in Jones, Craven and Pamlico counties. Kristi will be housed at the Jones County Extension office (252-448-9621) but will also work in our office. She graduated from Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College in Tifton, GA and has a vast experience in research, farming, livestock management, and pasture management. We look forward for her efforts to improve production of livestock in this area!

Cancelled 4-H Fund Raiser

The chicken plate fundraiser advertised in the last newsletter has been cancelled. It may be reschedule for a later date.

Livestock Show Seeks Sponsors

The Jones, Craven, Pamlico Livestock Show is seeking sponsors to cover expense needed for youth to show and compete in the upcoming August livestock show. If you are interested, please contact the Jones County Extension office at 252-448-9621.

For more information regarding the show or sponsorship, read the article, [Jones, Craven, Pamlico Livestock Show](#).

Dealing with Heat & Drought

Lack of rainfall and heat continues. Scattered storms are predicted tonight so some will get some relief. Regardless, the comments below still applies.

- If pigweed is a problem in fields, don't wait too long to apply a herbicide. Pigweed can grow inches per day and most herbicides, even under the best circumstances, require pigweed to be small (about 6 inches or smaller) to be effective. If one waits even one

week, it will be too late. Rather, apply now and use a 80/20 surfactant to avoid excessive crop burn and spray soon.

- Peanuts are struggling yet progressing slowly. Should dry weather continue, we may be able to delay leaf spot fungicide treatment. In contrast, high heat with continued humidity may enhance stems rots as the plant canopy reaches about 6 inches from lapping. Monitor the peanut disease advisory at the [NCSU Peanut Disease Information](#). (Note: This site is not currently active. It will be in a few weeks so any data on the page now is from last season!)
- Tank mixes that normally do not cause crop injury or leaf burn, may do so now. As such, avoid excessive products in the tank, especially if the products all contain a surfactant or the tank mixes contains multiple EC formulation of products.
- Observation of late June planted soybean is generally showing good plant population. However, some field populations are on the lower side of the seeding range. It is better to have this slightly lower plant population than replanting. Mounds of studies show this to be true.
- Soybean fields that have a population that is simply too low to manage a reasonable yield should be evaluated carefully. Crop failure should be reported to the FSA. Discuss with your insurance agent the total payment should you accept this and proceed. Compare this to taking a smaller payment and planting again for very late planted soybean. (Note: For sandy or marginally yielding soils, a very late planting is probably not a good option).

Marketing????

We are perhaps the last one that our readers should seek regarding marketing! However, there are some notable circumstances that merit watching.

- Iowa is experiencing floods, much of South Dakota and Nebraska have received excessive rains, and we, within the Mid-South, are experiencing drought (so is much of the Wester US too). This reduced corn yield within the US should be reflected within the next USDA crop report. If the report shows much decline, we should experience some increase in price. If the report fails to make an adjust, some price adjustment will likely occur after harvest and early winter.
- While it is really too early to discover the true impact, drought in Texas and westward may alter cotton prices. Texas simply has too large of an area in production to ignore. More westwardly, water rations and payments for irrigation water may limit yield. Again, just some of the situation we should monitor as the season progresses.
- For the past few years, travel along the Mississippi has impacted the ability to move grain to and from the Midwest. The Mississippi can change drastically, but is currently moving rapidly on a downward trend. If this does not change by harvest, we will once again be slow to move corn into this area. As such, local basis may improve.

Podcast

Two podcast that are released regularly by Extension regarding crop production within this area are listed below:

CropSense: Jacob Morgan, Director of Jones County Extension, produces weekly podcast with NCSU faculty and industry. If you would like to listen to these podcast, visit,

<https://www.buzzsprout.com/1780395/12734496> or email him directly.

Corn Kernels - Dr. Ron Heiniger will post information regularly. See details in this newsletter under the section, "[Corn News](#)".

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