

Tri-State Advanced Soil Health Training: Workshop #5 Economics of Soil Health and Conservation Systems, February 18-19, 2020

February 18 – Henry White Experimental Farm (4747 Centreville Ave, Millstadt, IL, 62260)

- 9:00 AM Welcome, light breakfast
- 9:30 – 9:45 Overview of Henry White Farm
Randy McElroy, Bayer
- 9:45 – 10:15 The Roots of Cover Crop Objections: A Thorough Understanding of Problems Prepares Us to Have More Impactful Discussions
John Pike
- 10:15 – 10:30 Break
- 10:30 – 11:30 U of I Cover Crop Economics Research
Gary Schnitkey, U of I
- 11:30 – 12:30 Lunch
- 12:30 – 12:45 Bees and Pollinators at Henry White Farm
- 12:45 – 1:15 Management of Karst Topography in SW IL
Jerry Berning
- 1:15 – 1:45 Cover Crop Impact on Soybean Cyst Nematode
Nathan Johannig or Talon Becker
- 1:45 – 2:00 Break
- 2:00 – 4:00 Farmer Panel and Discussion
Al and Anne Klein
Justin Jefferson
Mark Litteken (by Terry W.)
Schneider Farms
- 4:00 Wrap up
- 4:15 Optional Tour of Stumpy’s Distillery on the way back to Waterloo (Cost is \$5/person)
- 5:30 Dinner – Gallagher’s Restaurant in downtown Waterloo (114 West Mill Street, Waterloo, IL, 62298)

Accommodations are provided at Hampton Inn St. Louis-Columbia, 165 Admiral Trost Dr., Columbia, IL 62236

February 19 – Henry White Experimental Farm

- 8:00 AM Light breakfast
- 8:30 – 8:45 Recap of Day 1 and goals of Day 2
- 8:45 – 9:45 Overview of Cover Crop Research of Randy McElroy
- 9:45 – 10:00 Break
- 10:00 – 10:30 NLRs Biennial Report Update
Terry Wyciskalla
- 10:30 – 11:00 Cover Crop Economics from Anson Farms
Mark Anson
- 11:00 – 11:30 Cover Crop Economic Overview from Lacrosse Seed
Scott Wohltman (or a review of information he provides in his potential absence)
- 11:30 – 12:00 Economic Research Overview
John Pike
- 12:00 PM Lunch, wrap-up
Travel to Eckert's Orchard Restaurant for lunch

Optional tour of Tom Renner John Deere Collection

All past workshop materials can be accessed at ilsustainableag.org under the 'Programs' tab, 'Advanced Soil Health Training', 'Tri-State Graduate and Trainee Materials'

The password is 'soilhealth2'