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To: Rains County Leader

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Tri-County Pesticide Conference

The Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Offices in Rains, Wood, and Van Zandt Counties will be hosting the Tri-County Pesticide Conference on **Friday, October 2, 2015**. The course will be held at the Rains County Fair Grounds located at the intersection of Highways 19 and 69 in Emory. The cost for the CEU portion of the course is \$25.00 per individual. There will be 5 hours of C.E.U. credits offered for those who already hold a pesticide license (**1 hour General, 2 hours IPM, 2 Hours Laws & Regulations**).

Agenda items include:

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| 8:00 a.m. | Registration |
| 8:50- 9:00 am | Welcome – <i>Stephen Gowin, CEA-Ag/Nr, Rains County</i> |
| 9:00-10:30 am | Horn Fly and Other External Parasite Control Methods – <i>Mr. Lee Dudley, County Extension Agent, Panola County</i> |
| 10:30-10:45 am | Break |
| 10:45-11:45 am | Texas Pesticide Laws and Regulation Update – <i>Mr. Spencer Perkins, County Extension Agent, Camp County</i> |
| 11:45-12:45 p.m. | Lunch |
| 12:45- 1:45 p.m. | Bees, Pollinators and Pesticides - <i>Dr. Allen Knutson, Professor and Extension Entomologist, Texas A&M AgriLife Extension, Dallas, Texas</i> |
| 1:45-3:15 p.m. | Animal Damages in East Texas, How to Control Coyote, Buzzards, and Feral Hogs – <i>Randy M. Smith, DS, Texas Wildlife Services, Fort Worth, Texas</i> |

Private Applicators License Training

For those individuals that do not hold a current license for state limited or restricted use pesticides, you will have the opportunity to obtain the training. Registration will begin at 8:00 a.m. and there will be a \$10.00 registration fee payable at the door. The training portion will conclude by noon. Attendees must also purchase a current Study Guide (\$ 25.00) and the Laws and Regulations book (\$ 15.00) in advance of the program at the County Extension Office. If you purchased your study guide and laws and regulations book at another Extension office, we need verification (receipt of purchase, or the books themselves).

The testing portion for those persons who are trying to obtain their license will **NOT** be provided this day. There has been a change in the testing process and it is now done by a third party. Detailed instructions will be provided during the training.

Please RSVP for the program that you need by **September 25, 2015**.

For further information, you may call 903-473-4580 or email s-gowin@tamu.edu.