



2018 Iowa Weed Commissioners' Association Invasive Species Conference

* Indicates Continuing Instructional Course Program presenters (Must be in attendance for credit)

Wednesday – February 28

4:00 - 5:00 New Weed Commissioners Meeting

5:00 – 6:00 Executive Committee Board Meeting (District Officers encouraged to attend)

Thursday – March 1

7:30–8:30 Registration for conference with coffee and donuts

8:30–8:40 Introductions & Welcome – Ben Bonar (IWCA President)

*8:40–9:15 Red Cedar: Iowa's Green Glacier – Ryan Harr (Iowa DNR Private Lands Biologist)

*9:15–9:30 Iowa Noxious Weed Law update and introduction of new Deputy State Weed Commissioner – Robin Pruisner (IDALS)

*9:30–10:15 Forestry Invasives and their management – Jesse Randall (ISU Extension Forester)

10:15–10:30 Break

*10:30-11:30 Roadside Manager Panel on Roadside Spraying: How, What, When, Where, Why? - Wes Gibbs (Jones Co.), Chris Henze (Johnson Co.), Bryce Schaben (Shelby Co.), Ben Bonar (Benton Co.)

11:30–12:15 Lunch Buffet

12:15–1:15 Iowa Weed Commissioners' Association Business Meeting

*1:15–2:05 Benefits of Agricultural Cover Crops – Mark Johnson (ISU Extension Field Agronomist)

2:05-2:15 Meet the vendors

2:15- 2:30 Break

*2:30–3:00 Aquatic invasive plant ID and emerging threats to Iowa waters - Kim Bogenschutz and Jason Euchner (IDNR Aquatic Invasive Species Program)

*3:00–3:30 Brittle naiad and Eurasian watermilfoil management in Iowa – Kim Bogenschutz and Jason Euchner (IDNR Aquatic Invasive Species Program)

*3:30–4:30 Weed Jeopardy (Trivia *mostly* on ROW, Ag, Forestry and Aquatic vegetation management)

4:30 – 5:45 Vendor Appreciation and Networking (appetizers, refreshments)

5:45 – 6:30 Evening Banquet

6:30 – 7:30 Extended Networking time

Friday - March 2

*8:15–9:00 Roadside Spraying Equipment Options – TBD (Sprayer Specialties - Grimes, IA)

*9:00–9:45 Palmer Amaranth and Canada thistle management in Iowa – Meaghan Anderson (ISU Extension Field Agronomist)

9:45–10:00 Break

*10:00–10:30 Weed Commissioner Panel - Job Analysis: How, What, When, Where, Why? – David Lehman (Bremer Co.), Jim Uthe (Dallas Co.), Chris Henze (Johnson Co.), Wes Gibbs (Jones Co.)

*10:30–11:20 Calibration, Safe Application Techniques, Phytotoxicity, Drift reduction – Dr. Mark Shour (ISU)

11:20-11:30 Wrap up and Pesticide CIC Forms

11:30 –12:00 Lunch Buffet

12:00 – 2:30 Pesticide Applicator Certification Testing (Iowa Department of Agriculture Pesticide Bureau)