



The Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) is currently accepting applications for the new Conservation Stewardship Program. Applications must be received by September 30 to be considered for the 2009 funding. The new Conservation Stewardship Program will help land stewards address additional resource concerns they may have on their farm, ranch, or private forestland.

Applicants also need to verify their program eligibility, and submit a program application form with an operational map by September 30 to the local USDA Service Center.

NRCS will be providing informational meetings on the new Conservation Stewardship Program at the following dates and locations. On September 8th, at the Hermiston Agricultural Research and Extension Center Conference Room from 9 am to Noon. On September 9th, at the BMCC Milton Freewater Conference Room from Noon to 2 pm. On September 10th, at the Umatilla Hall Conference Room on the BMCC campus in Pendleton from 9 am to Noon.

For further information you can contact the NRCS Service Center in Pendleton at (541) 278-8049 ext.3 or 200 SE Hailey Avenue, Pendleton.

Or you can visit the Oregon NRCS website at <http://www.or.nrcs.usda.gov/programs/csp/>.

The Umatilla County Soil & Water Conservation District is offering TWO Incentive Programs to Area Growers

The Umatilla Soil and Water Conservation District (SWCD) is taking fall 2009 applications for the Precision Ag Incentive Program! If you're planting a fall 2009 crop and plan on using a variable rate fertilizer applicator or you would like to try this technology, you are eligible for the incentive program. The program aims at increasing the accessibility of intensive nutrient management tools to agricultural producers in the Umatilla Basin and provides a cost-share of \$20 per acre for up to 200 acres per producer.

The Umatilla County SWCD is also accepting applications for the Wildhorse Basin Direct Seed Incentive Program. If you farm in the Wildhorse watershed and would like to try direct seeding or convert conventional tillage acres to direct seeding, then this is the program for you! The cost-share is \$10 per acre up to 1,000 acres per producer!

For more information, call Heidi at 541-276-8131 or stop by the office.



Cereal Seminar Moving

The Columbia Basin Cereal Seminar
is moving to the Hermiston Farm Fair & Trade Show this winter!
The Farm Fair runs December 2nd, 3rd, & 4th

Cereal Seminar:

Friday Morning
December 4, 2009

Hermiston Conference Center
Altrusa Room

CORE Training also available
Thursday Morning or Friday Afternoon

Added Features:

- Trade Show (50+ exhibitors)
- Equipment Display
- Door prizes & Donuts

Detailed agenda coming in November

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CALENDAR

September 2009

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| Sept. 8
9:00am-
12:00pm | NRCS CSP Meeting
Location: HAREC Conference Room
Hermiston, OR
Contact: 541-278-8049 x.3 |
| Sept. 9
12:00pm-
2:00pm | NRCS CSP Meeting
Location: BMCC Conference Room
Milton-Freewater, OR
Contact: 541-278-8049 x.3 |
| Sept. 10
9:00am-
12:00pm | NRCS CSP Meeting
Location: OSU Extension Conference Room
Pendleton, OR
Contact: 541-278-8049 x.3 |

ANNOUNCEMENT

In the last edition, it was announced that the Cereal Newsletter is available in electronic format for those of you who would like to stop receiving a paper copy in the postal mail. We had a very small response to this request.

I would like to reiterate that this option is available. Please email me at shevon.hatcher@oregonstate.edu if you are interested in receiving the electronic version of the Cereal Newsletter. Your name and email address will be added to our Cereal Central email list and removed from our postal mailing list.

Please remember you can also access and print the Cereal Newsletter at any time from the Website: www.cerealcentral.com.

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