

Cover Crops Workshop and Field Day

Agenda

August 25, 2009

East Main Street Church, Elwood, IN

8:30 am **Registration**

Workshop

9:00 am **Welcome, introductions, housekeeping details – CTIC**

9:10 - 9:30 **Farmer Experiences**
Hear how and why farmers use cover crops

9:30 - 10:00 **Cover crops, no-till, and soil quality - Dan Towery, Ag Conservation Solutions**
How they all fit together and complement each other

10:00 - 10:30 **Water quality, nitrate losses to tiles, nutrient recycling, and cover crops - Eileen Kladvko, Purdue University**

10:30 - 10:45 **Break**

10:45 - 11:15 **Choosing the right cover crop for your operation - Dean Baas, Michigan State University**
An introduction to an online cover crop selection tool

11:15 - 11:45 **Indiana specific NICHES (after wheat, after corn and after beans,silage) - Dave Robison, CISCO Seeds**
What cover crop fits when, expenses, pro and cons and specifics to consider when selecting your cover crop

11:45 - 12:30 pm **Lunch - Compliments of Madison County SWCD**

12:30 - 1:30 **Practical management tips - Barry Fisher, NRCS & Dan Towery, Ag Conservation Solutions**
How to obtain seed, set up equipment, plant, manage, kill & fit cover crops into your system.

1:30 - 2:00 **Discussion Panel**
An opportunity to ask questions to all the speakers

Field Day

2:00 - 5:00 **Visit cover crop demonstration plots**

5:00 pm **Buses return to Church**