



Farming with Beneficial Insects for Pest Control: Conservation Biocontrol Short Course

****Tentative Agenda for North Dakota Course ****

August 22, 2017

9:00 am – 4:30 pm CST

Approved for 6 CEUs in Pest Management (NDCCA)

Instructor:

Eric Lee-Mäder, Pollinator Program Co-Director, Xerces Society

Guest Speakers:

Doug Golick, Assistant Professor Entomology, University of Nebraska-Lincoln

Lena Bohm, District Conservationist, NRCS

Travis “TJ” Prochaska, Area Extension Specialist/Crop Protection, NDSU Ext.

Chris Asmundson, Ag Research Technician, NDSU Ext.

Ben Carlson, Farm Bill Pollinator Conservation Planner, Xerces Society

Event Details:

NDSU North Central Research Station, Minot, ND

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AGENDA

	CLASSROOM – Moderator – Jerry Wingenbach
8:00-9:00 AM -	REGISTRATION (Liebig & Cihacek)
9-9:25 AM	Welcome, Introductions and Announcements (Shana Forster)
9:25-10:00 AM	Overview of Conservation Biocontrol (Eric)
10:00-11:00 AM (Eric)	Designing and Restoring Habitat for Beneficial Insects
11:00-11:10 AM	Break
11:10-11:30 AM	NRCS Conservation Practices & Programs: (Lena)
11:30-12:00 PM	Common Beneficial Insect Groups (Eric)

- 12-12:30 PM Lunch**
- 12:30-1:05 PM Farm Practices for Beneficial Insects (Eric)**
- 1:05-1:45 PM Citizen Watch – Bumble Boosters: (Doug)**
- 1:45-2:00 PM Intro to Habitat Assessment Tool for Beneficial Insects (Ben)**
- FIELD – Research Station Farm Sites – Moderator – TJ Prochaska**
- 2:00-2:10 PM Travel to sites**
- 2:10-4:10 PM Field habitat assessment (site 1) and insect monitoring activities (site 2) –With Eric Mader, Doug Golick, Chris Asmundson, and Travis “TJ” Prochaska.**
- 4:10-4:20 PM Wrap-up & Evaluations**
- 4:20-4:30 PM Head back to North Central Research Station Classroom**

