

Agriculture Newsletter

COLORADO COUNTY

FEBRUARY 2022

Icy Weather and CEUs

Greetings all,

Embedded in this newsletter is several program opportunities that we have coming up, including our rescheduled Beef and Forage 5 Hour CEU Program. Please take a look at these flyers, mark dates on your calendar and RSVP as requested. February is a popular month for many TDA Private Pesticide Applicators in Colorado County. For those of you who have licenses expiring in 2022 rest assured that you will still be able to renew your license even if your CEU credits have not been met. TDA has extended the exemption of CEU credits for licenses expiring in 2022. If you have not met your 15 hour requirement this year, you can still renew and make up those extra hours on your next licensing cycle. Of course we do encourage you to take every opportunity to earn CEU credits. If you have any questions regarding the CEU exemption extension please contact our office.

Stay Warm,
Laramie Kettler

Brand Registration:

In accordance with Article 144.044 of the Agriculture Code, all brands must be re-registered every 10 years. New brands can be registered at any time. The marks and brands that have been previously recorded will expire on August 30, 2021. The owner of the brand will have from August 31, 2021 until February 28, 2022 to renew their mark or brand. Any person who does not re-register their brand during this 6-month period, forfeits legal right to that brand. The brand will become “void” on March 1, 2022, and will be available for use on a “first come” basis.

Renewals can be filed with the Colorado County Clerks Office, Monday through Friday from 8:00 AM -12:00 PM and 1:00 PM – 5:00 PM, at 318 Spring Street, Suite 103, Columbus, Texas 78934. The recording fee will be \$26.00 per mark and/or brand per each location.

Please call the County Clerk’s Office 979-732-2155 if you have any questions.

Thank you.

Kimberly Menke, County Clerk
Colorado County, Texas

Mark Your Calendar

[Our office will be closed on February 21st in observance of President’s Day.](#)

February 18th - Multi County New Land Owner Program Series - Introduction

February 25th - Get Ready to Garden

March 2nd - Colorado County Beef and Forage 5 Hour Educational Program

March 4th - Feathers, Furs, Farming - Invasive Species Control

February 10th - March 4th - Urban Soil Testing Campaign

Program Rescheduled: March 2, 2022

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TEXAS A&M AGRI LIFE EXTENSION

2022 Colorado County Beef and Forage Educational Program

Sponsored by the Beef and Forage Committee of Colorado County

Wednesday, March 2nd, 2022

Colorado County Fairgrounds - Exhibit Hall

1146 Crossroads Boulevard, Columbus, TX 78934

(Pre-Register by February 28, 2022) CALL: 979-732-2082



Registration: 8:00 a.m. — 8:30 a.m.

Program: 8:30 a.m. — 3:00 p.m. LUNCH WILL BE CATERED

**Fee: \$25.00 pre-registration
\$30.00 at the door**

Topics Include:

- *Feral Hog Mitigation
- *Sprayer Equipment and Calibration
- *TDA Laws & Regulations
- *Invasive Species Management & Product Control Update
- *Annual Pasture & Hayfield Maintenance

**Private Pesticide Applicators
will receive 5 continuing edu-
cation units (CEUs): 3 General,
1 IPM, 1 Laws and Regulations
from TDA.
No Structural Credits Offered.**

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Get Ready to Garden

In partnership with Friends of
the Weimar Public Library

Texas A&M AgriLife Extension agent and
members of the Bluebonnet Master Gardener
Association are offering a program on gardening.

Topics covered will include:

- Importance of soil testing
- Preparing the Garden
- Selecting Plants
- Troubleshooting Garden Issues

*Weather Permitting: bring a lawn chair to sit outside!

February 25, 2022
10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Weimar Public Library
1 Jackson Square
Weimar, TX 78962

RSVP: Weimar Public Library
979-725-6608

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Introduction Ag/Wildlife Valuations

TEXAS A&M
AGRILIFE
EXTENSION

2022 Multi-County New Landowner Educational Series

February 18, 2022

Cat Spring Ag Hall

13035 Hall Road
Cat Spring, TX

Registration 1:00-1:30 pm

Program 1:30-5:00 pm

\$20/Person/Session

\$125/Person/Series - \$200/Couple/Series

To register online visit:

<https://washington.agrilife.org/nlo>

Topics to be covered:

Overview of Program Series

Local Resources

County Appraisal Districts

(Each county will have representative)

7 Tool for Wildlife Management



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FEATHERS, FURS, AND FARMING

A series of educational events designed to help all landowners diversify their operations and save more money and time by becoming better stewards of the land.

March 4, 2022

**Registration 1:00pm-
1:30pm**

Program 1:30-5:00pm

\$15/Person

Weimar Civic Center

1754 IH-10
Weimar, TX 78962

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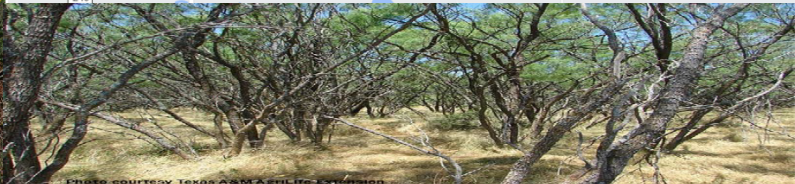
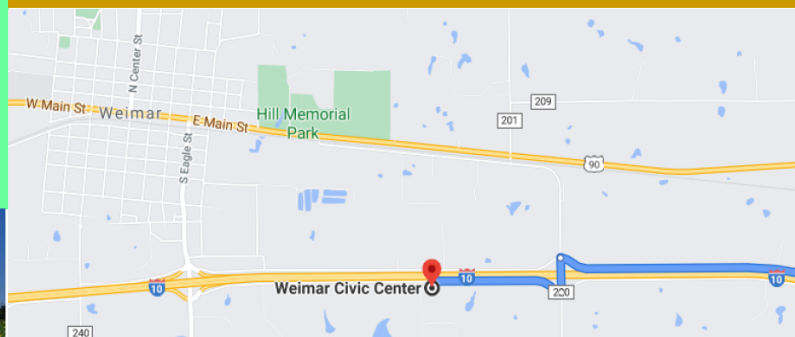
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Invasive Species Control 3 CEUs - 2 General, 1 IPM

Feral Hog Mitigation: Pig Biology and Trapping Options

Brush Control Basics: How to Handle Species Like Yaupon, Macartney Rose, Huisache, and Mesquite

Controlling Ants: Everything You Need to Know to Manage Fire Ants and Leaf Cutter Ants



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Sponsored by: Multi-County Ag Committee



Colorado County Homeowner Soil Testing Campaign

**This campaign is limited to annuals, flowers, gardens,
turfgrass, trees and woody ornamentals.**

February 10 – March 4, 2022

Soil sample bags, **CAMPAIGN ONLY SUBMISSION FORMS**,
and directions for sampling are available at the Colorado County Extension Office.

All soil sample bags, submission forms, and payments must be returned to the
Colorado County Extension Office by 5:00pm on March 4, 2022

Routine Analysis - \$8.00 per sample

For Routine + Micronutrients - \$15.00 per sample

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Please make checks payable to: MCAF

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Multi-County Urban Soil Testing Campaign

Campaign participant information

Pricing valid 2/10 through 3/4/2022.

Name: _____

Email address: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____

Zip: _____

Dropoff County : Austin Colorado Fayette Washington

Make checks to: Multi-County Ag Fund

Note: All blanks for each row/soil sample must be answered to participate in this discounted rate campaign.

Have you soil sampled in the past three years?

Yes

No

Sample information: * required for discounted pricing.

| Your sample ID* | Square Feet Represented* | Planned Fertilizer for 2022 without soil test* | What are you growing?* | Analyses Suite** | County Tally # |
|---------------------|--------------------------|--|------------------------|--------------------|----------------|
| Example: Front Yard | Example: 2250 sqft | Example: 10 lbs 13-1313 | A | enter # from below | |
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A. Azaleas & Camellias **B.** Roses **C.** Annuals **D.** Vegetable Garden **E.** Other **F.** Common Bermudagrass **G.** Hybrid Bermudagrass **H.** St. Augustinegrass **I.** Centipedegrass
J. Buffalograss **K.** Tall Fescue **L.** Kentucky Bluegrass **M.** Zoysiagrass **N.** Pecan trees **O.** Fruit trees **P.** Shrubs & Ornamentals **Q.** Shade trees **R.** Other trees

Analyses suites**

Please fill in all blanks and answer questions

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| 1 | Routine: pH, Cond, P, K, Ca, Mg, S and Na | \$8.00 | |
| 2 | Routine plus Micro: adds Fe, Zn, Cu and Mn to #1. | \$15.00 | |

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,



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