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Integrated Crop Management Conference set for Dec. 1-2

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The Iowa State University [Integrated Crop Management Conference](#) will be held Dec. 1 – 2 on the ISU campus. Registration begins at 7:30 a.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 1 in the Scheman Building and the program concludes at 4 p.m. Dec. 2.

Conference attendees can choose from [36 workshops](#) that offer the latest information on crop production and protection technology in Iowa and surrounding states. Workshops are offered by ISU faculty and staff and invited speakers from around the Midwest. The conference is hosted by ISU Extension, the [College of Agriculture and Life Sciences](#).

A popular feature of the conference is the variety of guest speakers on the program. Iowa State specialists invite colleagues in their field to share their research activities with conference attendees. This provides an opportunity to hear expertise and opinions from across the region and country at one location.

Invited speakers this year include:

- Bill Northey, Secretary of Agriculture, State of Iowa, speaking on the Iowa statewide nutrient reduction initiative
- Peter Thomison, Ohio State University, on selecting corn hybrids for performance and profit
- Richard Fawcett, Fawcett Consulting, presenting on fifty years of atrazine and its benefits, impacts and current status
- Paul Fixen, International Plant Nutrition Institute, discussing the 4R nutrient stewardship program
- Robert Mullen, Ohio State University, speaking about nitrogen additives, what they are and do they work
- Dorivar Ruiz Diaz, Kansas State University, on managing poultry manure nitrogen for optimum corn yields
- Paul Jasa, University of Nebraska, speaking on no-tillage and water issues

In recent years the conference has filled to capacity with nearly 1,000 producers and agribusiness people in attendance. The conference is fortunate to have a loyal following of people that attend each year. While filling to capacity is a good problem to have, we hate to turn people away and encourage people to register early. Attendees can obtain Certified Crop Adviser credits as well as recertification for [Commercial Pesticide Applicators](#) in categories 1A, 1B, 1C, 4 and 10.

Register online or find more information at the [conference website](#). Registration is \$185. After Nov.19, registration increases to \$235. Enrollment is limited and no registrations will be accepted at the door.

Brent Pringnitz is the conference coordinator and is with ISU's Corn and Soybean Initiative.

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