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Advanced RUSLE2 Workshop

An Advanced RUSLE2 workshop is scheduled for June 13, 2007, from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Iowa State University Extension downtown Des Moines office in the Pappajohn Center located at 1200 Grand Avenue in Des Moines, Iowa. This workshop builds upon the knowledge and principles discussed in the first workshop. This workshop will enable participants to explore practice-based changes that can be designed to reduce erosion. It will focus on RUSLE2 principles, dividing fields for RUSLE2, understanding tillage operations, and conservation practices both in RUSLE2 and the Iowa Phosphorus Index, combining soil analytical results, addressing land needs for Iowa Phosphorus Index requirements, and targeting sensitive areas. Registration is currently open only to those participants who have previously attended a RUSLE2 and Iowa Phosphorus Index workshop held in 2005, 2006, or 2007. In case you have not attended one of these workshops, please contact one of the instructors prior to completing your registration.

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February 26, 2007
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April 24, 2006
Foliar fertilization of soybean: Is it useful to supplement primary fertilization?
June 20, 2005
Interpreting results of the Mehlich-3 ICP Soil Phosphorus Test
November 17, 2003
Hailed-out soybean fields
October 21, 2002
Water quality in the eastern Iowa basins
October 22, 2001
Phosphorus - Why the concern about water quality?
August 20, 2001

[Image of workshop scene]

Angela Rieck-Hinz discusses soil sampling at the February 22, 2005, RUSLE2 and Iowa P Index Workshop held at the county extension office in Iowa Falls. (Kelvin Leibold)

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