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Abstract

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The purpose of the conference is to identify the major issues affecting agriculture; to provide a forum to share expertise and develop alternative courses of action; and to provide unbiased, research-based information that participants can use in their decision making. Conference speakers include ISU staff and extension specialists, farmers, and agribusiness representatives.

The morning program will feature two general sessions. Dr. Fred Kirschenmann, Director of the ISU Leopold Center, will present "A New Vision for Agriculture." The second general session will feature a panel on "Emerging Issues." The panel will introduce specific issues and an in-depth discussion will be the focus of several afternoon breakout sessions (participants select three): 1) organic farming; 2) phosphorus and water quality; 3) E-commerce for producers and agribusiness; 4) ISO-certification, a process to insure grain quality; 5) value-retained producer groups: an opportunity for you? 6) corn disease update; 7) insect management update; 8) weed management update; 9) precision agriculture: making sense of the numbers.

This conference is cosponsored by Iowa State University Extension and Hawkeye Community College. Additional information on this conference is available from your county extension office or by calling at (641) 228-1453.

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