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Tom Fenton, ISU professor of agronomy, will speak on understanding soil properties and field variability. Mahdi Al-Kaisi, ISU Extension soil and water management specialist, will cover soil quality measurements and conservation practices. Mark Hanna, ISU extension agricultural engineer, will lead field activities and discussions about soil-machine interactions, compaction and residue management.

Pre-registration by midnight Sept. 9 is required to attend this class; registration can be made online at www.aep.iastate.edu/feel/soils.html. Registration is $150 and includes lunch, breaks and class notebook. This program is approved for 5.0 soil and water management credits for Certified Crop Advisers.

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