

North Carolina Vegetation Management Association 23rd Annual Symposium



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2017 SYMPOSIUM AGENDA

Tuesday, December 5, 2017

Exhibitor Setup - 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm

Guilford E&F

Wednesday, December 6, 2017

7:00 am - 8:00 am

Exhibitor Setup Continued

Guilford E&F

7:30 am

Continental Breakfast with Exhibitors

7:30 am

Registration

Registration Desk 3

9:00 am - 9:15 am

Welcome & President's Remarks, *Korey Meadows, NCVMA President, Duke Energy*

Guilford G

9:15 am - 10:15 am

Building a Culture of Safety: How Employee Retention Impacts Vegetation Management, Paul Hurysz, UAA: Discussing how Leadership, Beliefs and Behaviors along with Observations build a Culture of Safety resulting in a safer more productive work force. Special emphasis and focus on the Vegetation Management Industry.

10:15 am - 11:00 am

Break in Tradeshow with Vendors

Guilford E&F

11:00 am - 11:30 am

Immigration Reform and Effects on Right of Way Management, Erica Peterson, Executive Vice-President, NC Agribusiness Council: Immigration reform and how it directly impacts the labor force in Right of Way Management. Invoking thought around the resources executing your IVM Program.

Guilford G

11:30 am - 12:00 pm

Exhibitor Presentations

12:00 pm - 1:00 pm

LUNCH

Imperial DEFGH

1:00 pm - 1:30 pm

Update on NPDES and Herbicide Application Effects on Storm Water Runoff, Rob Richardson, NCSU: How does changes to the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination Systems (NPDES) effect herbicide application and the types of herbicide used.

Guilford G

1:30 pm - 2:00 pm

Global Climate Change: Is it effecting your Vegetation Management Program? Viney Aneiga, NCSU: Discussions around how Global Climate Change may be affecting an overall Integrated Vegetation Management program, with effects of longer growing seasons, increased plant diversity in abnormal climate zones, etc.

Guilford G

2:00 pm - 2:45 pm

Break in Tradeshow with Vendors

Guilford E&F

2:45 pm - 3:15 pm

Rate Plant Management, Lesley Starke, NC Plant Conservation Program, NCDA&CS

3:15 pm - 3:45 pm

State of NC Agriculture, *NCDA&CS Representative*

3:45 pm - 4:15 pm

Wrap-up; Sign-up for CEUs

4:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Exhibitor Hall OPEN

Guilford E&F

5:30 pm - 8:30 pm

Casino Night

Club Fifth

Thursday, December 7, 2017

7:00 am - 8:00 am	Exhibit Hall OPEN	Guilford E&F
7:00 am	Continental Breakfast with Exhibitors	
8:00 am - 9:00 am	Business Meeting, <i>Korey Meadows, NCVMA President, Duke Energy</i>	Guilford G
9:00 am - 9:15 am	Short Break	Guilford E&F
9:15 am - 9:45 am	<i>Native Trees, Barbara Fair, NCSU: Native Trees and positive impacts they have on our communities. How do Native Trees compete with invasive plants, and how are they controlled.</i>	
9:45 am - 10:15 am	<i>Latest Greatest Insects: Tree Pest Identification and Control, Brian Heath, North Carolina Forestry Service: Invasive Insect ID and Control methods. Biological, Mechanical and Chemical.</i>	Guilford G
10:15 am - 10:45 am	Break in Tradeshow with Vendors	Guilford E&F
10:45 am - 11:30 am	<i>Congongrass: A new threat to rights-of-ways in Eastern North Carolina, Bridgett Lassiter, NCDA&CS: Invasive Noxious Weeds and how to control them in an Integrated Vegetation Management program through mechanical, biological and chemical means.</i>	Guilford G
11:30 am - 12:00 pm	<i>Clearion Update on Data Collections and Record Keeping in the Vegetation Management World, Karen Smith, Clearion: The newest processes, technologies and software in collecting and maintaining Vegetation data in a convenient and easy manner.</i>	Guilford G
11:45 am - 12:00 pm	Wrap-up, <i>Korey Meadows, Duke Energy</i>	