MEMORANDUM

TO: Area Commercial Tree Fruit Growers

FROM: Mark Sutphin, Associate Extension Agent, Horticulture

SUBJECT: 2020 Winchester Regional Commercial Tree Fruit School – February 14, 2020

DATE: January 21, 2020

The next meeting of the Winchester Regional Commercial Tree Fruit Production School will be held on Friday, February 14, 2020, at Fox Meadow Barn. This new venue is located at 350 Old Firehouse Lane, Winchester, Virginia 22602. The program will begin at 8:30 a.m. Registration will begin at 8:00 a.m.

This session will re-certify you for two years on your Virginia private pesticide license (category 90). The offering also will re-certify for West Virginia credits. In order to receive re-certification credit, you will need to sign in by 8:30 a.m., and sign out at the end of the program.

There will be a $25 registration fee for the event and will include lunch and morning coffee. To ease registration the morning of the event, we are asking that you complete and return the enclosed registration form with payment (checks made payable to: Treasurer, Virginia Tech) by February 11, 2020. Walk-in attendees and those not submitting pre-payment, will be charged $35 at the door. If you have any questions, I can be reached at the Frederick Office or by email: mark.sutphin@vt.edu.

The agenda for the meeting is included. We look forward to seeing you on February 14th.

If you are a person with a disability and desire any assistive devices, services or other accommodations to participate in this activity, please contact Mark Sutphin, Frederick County Extension, at (540) 665-5699/TDD (800) 828-1120 during business hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. to discuss accommodations five days prior to the event.
2020 Winchester Regional Commercial
Tree Fruit Production School
February 14, 2020
Attendee Registration Form

Please return this form along with your $25.00 (per person) Attendee Registration Fee, (checks made payable to: Treasurer, Virginia Tech) by February 11, 2020 to:

Virginia Cooperative Extension – Frederick County
107 North Kent Street
Winchester, VA 22601

Farm/Business Name:_________________________________________________

Contact Name(s):_________________________________________________

Additional Attendee(s):____________________________________________

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Address:_____________________________________________________________________
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Phone:________________________________________

Email Address:________________________________________

There will be a charge of $50.00 for all returned checks.
No refunds will be processed unless we are notified prior to February 11, 2020.
Winchester Regional Commercial Tree Fruit Production School
February 14, 2020
Fox Meadow Barn, 350 Old Firehouse Ln, Winchester, VA 22602

8:00  Registration and Pesticide Recertification Sign-in (View Exhibits and Coffee Break)
Distribute print version of Virginia pesticide applicator legal update

8:30  Welcome and Introductions
Mark Sutphin, Extension Agent, Horticulture – Frederick County

8:35  Mites in Orchards - tree feeders and their predators
Spotted Lanternfly - an update on its spread
Chlorpyrifos - behind the headlines
Doug Pfeiffer, Professor of Entomology, Virginia Tech-Blacksburg

9:10  Performance of Apple and Peach Rootstocks in Virginia and Other Mid-Atlantic States
Sherif Sherif, Assistant Professor of Horticulture, Virginia Tech-Winchester

9:40  Back to Basics: A Refresher of Orchard Pest Identification, Monitoring, and Management
Chris Bergh, Professor of Entomology, Virginia Tech-Winchester

10:10 Sponsor/Vendor Brag Session (New products, chemicals, improved technologies, etc.)

10:25 Break (View Exhibits)

10:45 Tree Fruit Horticulture Research in Virginia Tech’s AHS Jr. Agricultural Research and Extension Center
Sherif Sherif, Assistant Professor of Horticulture, Virginia Tech-Winchester

11:15 Optimizing Tree Fruit Disease Management in 2020: Timing, New Chemicals and other Nuggets of Wisdom
Kari Peter, Pathology Extension Specialist, Penn State University-Bigglerville

12:00 Lunch (View Exhibits)

1:00  Redistributing the Samurai Wasp in Virginia: Results from 2019
Chris Bergh, Professor of Entomology, Virginia Tech-Winchester

1:10  Spray Bulletin Update/New Chemistries: Regulatory Update and Label Changes
Tree Fruit Extension Specialists

1:45  Participants view PPE and WPS Displays

2:15  Pesticide Recertification Sign-out and Adjourn (View Exhibits)