

**AGENDA FOR 2021
FALL OKVMA CONFERENCE
HARD ROCK HOTEL – CONFERENCE CENTER**

October 5, 2021 (Tuesday)

12:00 pm	ISA Arborist – EXAM (Alanna Cooper, Test Proctor)
8:00 – 11:30 11:30-1:00 lunch on your own 1:00 – 3:00	Test Help / Review Session for OK Commercial Applicator Certification Offered by - Charles Luper & Kevin Shelton – OSU Extension Services NO TESTING PROVIDED

GENERAL SESSION I – Wednesday October 6, 2021 / GENERAL SESSION II - Thursday October 7, 2021

Time	SPEAKERS	PRESENTATION TOPIC INFORMATION
7:00 – 8:00	REGISTRATION WITH OSU Conference Services	
8:00	PRESIDENT’S WELCOME – Introduce Conference Sponsors/Vendors, Housekeeping	
8:00 – 9:00	Dr. Reid Smeda University of Missouri Associate Professor and Weed Physiologist	<u>Calibrating sprayers; why is it important?</u> Effective use of pesticides involves properly calibrating sprayers. This presentation will focus on factors contributing to lower than expected and higher than desired herbicide rates applied. Two of the major outcomes of improper calibration are ineffective weed control (rates too low) and higher costs (rates too high).
9:00 – 10:00	Megan J. Provost President RISE (Responsible Industry for a Sound Environment)	<u>RISE Industry Issues Update</u> Join Megan Provost, President of RISE (Responsible Industry for a Sound Environment), the national trade association representing manufacturers, formulators, distributors and other industry leaders in the specialty pesticide and fertilizer industry. She will discuss some coming legislative, regulatory, and judicial opportunities and challenges in the specialty pesticide space.
10:00 – 10:30	BREAK with Exhibitors	
10:30 – 11:30	Dr. Reid Smeda University of Missouri Associate Professor and Weed Physiologist	<u>Characteristics of auxin herbicides, the good, the bad & the ugly</u> Auxin herbicides have long been an effective method to manage broadleaf weeds in cropping systems as well as non-crop areas. However, development of auxin-tolerant crops has resulted in much higher use of auxin herbicides, with consequences for off-target movement to sensitive crops and greater selection of herbicide-resistant weeds. All of these topics will be covered in this presentation.
11:30 – 12:30	LUNCH PROVIDED	
12:30 – 1:30	Kevin Shelton Pesticide Coordinator Pesticide Safety Education Program Department of Entomology & Plant Pathology Oklahoma State University	<u>PPE in the COVID Era</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Types of gloves for PPE 2. Is it Available? 3. What & When to Wear? 4. Substitutions 5. Proper Removal of PPE
1:30 – 2:30	Charles Luper Extension Associate Pesticide Safety Education Program Department of Entomology & Plant Pathology Oklahoma State University	<u>Respirators</u> What are the different types and uses for each, how to properly wear them & touch on difficulties...
2:30 – 3:00	BREAK with Exhibitors	
3:00 – 4:00	Megan Parker Pesticide Certification & Training Administrator Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Food, & Forestry	<u>Laws & Rules Update</u> Provide updates on proposed laws and rule changes in Oklahoma and discuss EPA’s proposed Certification and Training Rules. Also discuss the new testing procedures.