

**AGENDA FOR 2023
 SPRING OKVMA CONFERENCE
 THE CHAMPION CONVENTION CENTER – OKC**

MARCH 7, 2023 – ISA EXAM & APPLICATOR TEST REVIEW

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

MARCH 8, 2023 - GENERAL SESSION

TIME	SPEAKER	PRESENTATION TOPIC INFORMATION
7:00 – 8:00	REGISTRATION - OSU Conference Services	
8:00	Presidents Welcome – Introduce Conference Sponsors/Vendors, Housekeeping	
8:00 - 9:00 OK20220800 CAT: 10, 1A, 3A, 5, 6, 7A, A	<u>Megan Parker</u> Pesticide Certification & Training Administrator (ODAFF)	<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.
9:00 – 10:00 OK20220801 CAT: 10, 1A, 3A, 5, 6	<u>Jason Ferrell, PhD</u> Professor & Director, Center for Aquatic & Invasive Plants University of Florida Institute of Food & Ag Science	<u>How Herbicides Work</u> This presentation will discuss herbicide mode of action. The purpose is for applicators to understand the biochemical mechanisms behind plant response to better inform application timing and herbicide selection.
10:00 – 10:30	BREAK with Exhibitors	
10:30 – 11:30 OK20220803 CAT: 10, 1A, 3A, 5, 6, 7A, A	<u>Brett Bultemeier, PhD</u> Extension Assistant Professor University of Florida IFAS Pesticide Information Office	<u>How to Understand and Read a Label, Moving Beyond Just Compliance</u> This presentation will review the organization of a label and the logic of why it is organized that way. The goal is to better understand how to navigate a label to properly find the information that is needed. Additionally, pesticide stewardship, label interpretation, and other safety steps that go beyond just a label will be discussed.
11:30 – 12:30	LUNCH PROVIDED	
12:30 – 1:30 OK20220805 CAT: 10, 5, 6	<u>Rich Hendler</u> Integrated Vegetative Management (IVM) Specialist ACRT Services	<u>Fully Integrated Vegetation Management</u> The time has come to embrace our evolution from Land (right of way) Managers to Land Stewards. A more comprehensive IVM Approach to maximize sustainability, biodiversity and a greener planet can be secured by understanding and fully integrating Mechanical, Chemical, Biological and Cultural Control options thru Fully Integrated Vegetation Management.
1:30 – 2:30 OK20220802 CAT: 10, 5, 6	<u>Jason Ferrell, PhD</u> Professor & Director, Center for Aquatic & Invasive Plants University of Florida Institute of Food & Ag Science	<u>Communicating with the public about IVM</u> Understanding how to work with stakeholders is critically important. To do this effectively, the applicator needs to understand the need for plant management, the environmental fate of the products used, and ecological impacts of management (or not managing).
2:30 – 3:00	BREAK with Exhibitors	
3:00 – 4:00 OK20220804 CAT: 10, 1A, 3A, 5, 6, 7A, A	<u>Brett Bultemeier, PhD</u> Extension Assistant Professor University of Florida IFAS Pesticide Information Office	<u>Understanding Pesticide Exposure, Hygiene, and Prevention</u> This presentation will discuss the causes, types, and routes of pesticide exposure. A discussion about risk mitigation related to exposure will be included. The types of PPE that can limit exposure as well as proper use and cleaning of the equipment will be explained. Finally, the order PPE is put on and removed will be incorporated with real world field examples of where PPE worked.