

**Pecan Education Workshop Agenda**  
**Thursday, March 12, 2020**  
**North Mississippi Research and Extension Center; Verona, MS**

- 8:00–8:30      Registration/Check-in
- 8:30–8:45      Welcome
- Session I:      *Horticulture Session***  
*Moderator:      Dr. Rebecca Melanson, Extension Plant Pathologist, CMREC/BCHEPP, MSU*
- 8:45–9:15      **Establishing an Orchard**  
Dr. Jeff Wilson, *Extension Horticulturist, North Mississippi Research and Extension Center (NMREC), MSU*
- 9:15–9:45      **Pecan Varieties**  
Dr. Eric Stafne, *Extension/Research Horticulturist, Coastal Research and Extension Center (CREC)/Department of Plant and Soil Sciences (PSS), MSU*
- 9:45–10:15     **Grafting**  
Dr. Jeff Wilson, *Extension Horticulturist, NMREC, MSU*
- 10:15–10:30    Break
- 10:30–11:00    **Water Management/Irrigation and Nutrition/Fertilization**  
Dr. Eric Stafne, *Extension/Research Horticulturist, CREC/PSS, MSU*
- 11:00–11:45    **Maintaining an Orchard**  
Dr. Eric Stafne, *Extension/Research Horticulturist, CREC/PSS, MSU*
- 11:45–12:00    Question Session
- 12:00–1:15     Lunch
- Session II:      *Pest Management***  
*Moderator:      Dr. Rebecca Melanson, Extension Plant Pathologist, CMREC/BCHEPP, MSU*
- 1:15–1:45      **Wildlife Management in Pecan Orchards**  
Mr. Adam Rohnke, *Senior Extension Associate – Wildlife, CMREC/Department of Wildlife, Fisheries, and Aquaculture, MSU*
- 1:45–2:15      **Pesticide Regulation and Safety**  
Mr. Gene Merkl, Jr., *Program Coordinator, Pesticide and Herbicide Application Recertification and Training, BCHEPP, MSU*
- 2:15–2:45      **Weed Management in Pecan Orchards**  
Dr. John Byrd, *Extension/Research Weed Scientist, PSS, MSU*
- 2:45–3:00      Break
- 3:00–3:30      **Insect Management in Pecan Orchards**  
Dr. Blake Layton, *Extension Entomologist, BCHEPP, MSU*
- 3:30–4:00      **Disease Management in Pecan Orchards**  
Dr. Rebecca Melanson, *Extension Plant Pathologist, CMREC/BCHEPP, MSU*
- 4:00–4:30      Question Session and Program Evaluation  
Distributed by Dr. Rebecca Melanson, *Extension Plant Pathologist, CMREC, MSU*