

OKVMA NEWSLETTER

JANUARY 16, 2012

OKLAHOMA VEGETATION MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION

2012 Spring Meeting in Oklahoma City



OKVMA will be hosting its annual Spring Meeting Conference, Trade Show and Training at the Magnuson Hotel and Meridian Convention Center (formerly the Clarion) located at 737 South Meridian, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma on Wednesday, March 7, 2012.

On Tuesday, March 6, 2012,

OKVMA will be sponsoring a pre-test study session and testing beginning at 8:00 am. Testing fees are applicable to the ODAFF. There is no charge for the pre-test study session. This will be offered at the Clarion Hotel and Convention Center.

The spring meeting is a 1-day training on Wednesday, March 7, 2012. Enclosed you will find an agenda and registration form, please note the deadlines to take advantage of the early-bird registration fees. Fees will go up on February 13, 2012. **No refund requests will be processed**

after February 13, 2012.
NOTE: room cut-off is also February 13, 2012.

Also offered this year is a discount of 20+ registrations if submitted and paid at one time. See registration form for additional details.

If you need additional information, please go to our website: www.okvma.com

If you have questions, contact Kathy Markham at 918-256-9302 or email her at okvma1991@gmail.com

Remember to bring your certification card with you to the meeting!

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Time	Speaker	Topic / Description
7:30-8:30 am REGISTRATION		
8:15 AM	GREETING / HOUSEKEEPING / EXHIBITOR INTRODUCTIONS / SPONSOR RECOGNITION – JOE OSBORNE, OKVMA PRESIDENT	
8:30- 9:00 AM (30 min)	Dr. Joe Armstrong Asst. Weed Science Professor Plant & Soil Science Dept. OSU	Controlling weeds on and around rights-of-way, fence lines – the Private Landowners Perspective This presentation will deal with the land management issues from the perspective of the private landowner as they pertain to meaning weeds and brush growing in and on rights-of-way that affect private land use.
9:00-9:30 AM (30 min)	Doug Montgomery Extension Associate Horticulture Dept. OSU	Controlling weeds on and around rights-of-way, fence lines – the ROW Managers Perspective This presentation will deal with the rights-of-way management issues from the perspective of the right-of-way manager and how they may affect the adjacent private land use.
9:30 – 10:00 Break with Exhibitors		
10:00-10:30AM (30 min)	Doug Montgomery Extension Associate Horticulture Dept. OSU	Johnsongrass control options for rights-of-way This presentation will discuss the current Johnsongrass control options available to today's rights-of-way manager. Treatment rates, timing, costs, and weed control spectrums will be discussed.
10:30-11:00 AM (30 min)	Mike Vandeventer Oklahoma Dept. of Ag, Food & Forestry	ODAFF – RULES & REGULATIONS UPDATE APPLICATOR VEHICLE AND SITE DOCUMENTATION REVIEW
11:00 – 12:30 LUNCH – on your own		
12:30-1:30PM (1 hour)	Jenelle Hill Life Scientist / Permit Writer EPA Region 6 Water Quality Protection Division	Clean Water Act This presentation will discuss permitting of discharges from pesticide applications – Pesticide General Permit (PGP)
1:30 – 2:00 - Break with Exhibitors		
2:00-4:00 PM (2 hours)	ROW Program Panel Discussion – Each presenter will provide a 10-15 minute review of their respective herbicide programs allowing for a 10 minute question & answer after each presentation	
Troy Travis Division Maintenance Engineer Oklahoma Department of Transportation		A Review of the ODOT Division One Herbicide Program This presentation will discuss the current herbicide programs used by ODOT Field Division One in their efforts to selectively control undesirable roadside weeds.
Steve Allen Supervisor - Oklahoma Turnpike Authority (Turner Turnpike, Jesse Rigsby, Muskogee Turnpike)		A Review of the Oklahoma Turnpike Authority Herbicide Program This presentation will discuss the current herbicide programs by the OK Turner & Muskogee Turnpike personnel in their efforts to control undesirable roadside weeds.
Dale Frech Safety Director Association of County Commissioners		A Review of County Herbicide Program This presentation will discuss the current herbicide programs by the county employees to control undesirable roadside weeds.
Jarod Cassada Utility Forester O G & E		A Review of the OG&E Herbicide Program This presentation will discuss the current herbicide program by OG&E in their efforts to selectively control undesirable brush within their rights-of-way.
Joe Osborne Vegetation Management Supervisor Oklahoma Electric Cooperative		A Review of the Oklahoma Electric Cooperative Herbicide Program This presentation will discuss the current herbicide program by OEC in their efforts to selectively control undesirable brush within their rights-of-way.
Richard Beweley Forestry Supervisor AEP / PSO		A Review of the AEP / PSO Herbicide Program This presentation will discuss the current herbicide program by AEP/PSO in their efforts to selectively control undesirable brush within their rights-of-way.
<u>Applicator Continued Education Unit Awards</u> 5 CEU Each – Category 6, 10 1 CEU Each – Category A, 5, 8		ISA continued education units will be requested. Once awards are received they will be posted on the okvma.com website.

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March 7, 2012

REGISTRATION FORM

Please complete one form per person.

Name: _____ Position: _____ Company: _____
Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____
Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Please check appropriate fee(s) applicable:

_____ No Charge **Pre-Test Study Session for Commercial and Non-Commercial Applicators** (Monday 03/06/12)
ODAFF testing provided after study session, Test fees as applicable \$50 per test, no fees for government employees

Early Registration Fees are available until FEBRUARY 13, 2012

_____ \$40 Early Registration Fee **LATE REGISTRATION after 02/13/12—\$60**
_____ \$35* **SPECIAL OFFER—20 or More employees registered and paid for at one submission is eligible for \$5 discount per person**
Deadline 02/13/12, no discount offered after deadline, registration is \$60 after 02/13/12 per person.

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

_____ \$100 OKVMA Conference Sponsor — Includes 1-registration and honorable mention
_____ \$125 Exhibitor Registration — Includes 1-registration, skirted 3'x8' table for display, listing on flyer and honor-able mention during meeting. Exhibitors will be able to set up on Tuesday, 03/06/12 from 4:00-9:00 pm.
_____ \$200 Break Sponsor — Includes 1-registration and special recognition during the meeting and on the program.
_____ \$100 Pre-Test Study Session & Testing Sponsor—Recognition for sponsorship during event and during conference meeting
_____ **TOTAL FEE(S) DUE** *Please note that no refunds will be processed after February 13, 2012*

Make Checks Payable and Mail form to:

OSU Conference Services, 430 Student Union, Stillwater, OK 74078

Or Register On-line with *Visa or MasterCard* at <http://orangehub.okstate.edu>

Click on Agriculture Conference Services—then go to OKVMA Conference

Credit Card or Purchase Order—*Fax application to 405-744-8491*

Must have the following information completed for proper processing. *Purchase Order must accompany registration form.*

Name: _____ Company: _____ PO# _____

Visa/MC Card # _____ Exp. Date: _____

Signature required for all PO and CC charges: _____

Got Questions? Call below contacts for assistance:

Program Content	Kathy Markham, OKVMA Secretary	918-256-9302
Registration	OSU Ag Conferences	405-744-6489
Personal CEU	OK Dept. of Ag, Food & Forestry	405-522-8958

ACCOMODATIONS:

Hotel reservation deadline: February 13, 2012
MAGNUSON HOTEL & MERIDIAN CONVENTION CENTER
727 SOUTH MERIDIAN, OKLAHOMA CITY, OK
For reservations call: **405-942-8511**
Room Block: OKVMA Rate: \$69.00 + tax

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Registration and Agenda Information

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