

TEXAS A&M
AGRI LIFE
EXTENSION



April 15,
2020

The Hunt County Extension Office continues to be closed to the public, but we are still available to assist you remotely. Simply call our office and leave a message or send us an email. Contact information is:
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With the cancellation of all face to face educational programming, Extension Agents across the state have been able to put together an abundance of educational programs online. In an effort to share these, I am continually updating and posting to the Ag/Natural Resources page on the Hunt County AgriLife Extension website. Please check this sight regularly for opportunities as well as the Hunt AgriLife Extension facebook page. There are many useful programs being offered.

The Hunt County Texas A&M AgriLife Extension facebook page is [HERE](#) .
The Hunt County AgriLife Website is [HERE](#), with specific Ag information at the Ag/NR tab.

The COVID-19 AgriLife Extension web hub provides information and resources on the agency website. Visit <https://agriflifeextension.tamu.edu/coronavirus> for more on Health, Parenting & Child Activities, Food & Nutrition, Self-Reliance, Emergency Preparedness and more.

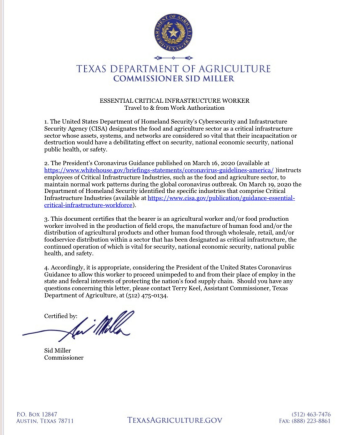
Sincerely,
Sara Allen
County Extension Agent - Ag/NR
Hunt County



[Hunt County Agrilife
Extension Website](#)

Essential worker documentation for agriculture

The Texas Department of Agriculture has prepared a letter related to essential critical infrastructure worker travel authorization. Please use this letter and share as appropriate with agricultural and/or food production workers. Click on the image to be directed to the letter found on the TDA website.



**LANDOWNER 101 SERIES
PART 1**
**APRIL 24, 2020
8:30 AM - 1 PM
ONLINE COURSE!**

Topics: Technical Assistance and Funding Resources, Agriculture & Wildlife Property Tax Valuation

Cost is \$10
To register go to
<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/89058868473>,
Collin.agrilife.org/Events

Landowner 101 ONLINE Session 1 APRIL 24 - 8:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Speakers Representing: AgriLife Extension, Farm Service Agency, Natural Resources Conservation Service, Soil and Water Conservation Districts, Tax Appraisal Districts and Texas Parks and Wildlife.
Cost \$10.25

NORTHEAST TEXAS AGRICULTURE AGENTS - LIVE IN THE FIELD

County Agents from across our area have come together to offer weekly Facebook Live sessions on various topics of interests to producers and landowners. Take a minute to follow our Facebook page and join us each Thursday at noon to see what topic we will cover next.

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LIVE IN THE FIELD

Find out where we are off to next by Liking our Facebook Page
<https://fb.me/LiveInTheFieldTxExt>

April Schedule
April 9th- Pesticide Safety and Labels
April 16th- Sprayer Calibration
April 23rd- Managing Pond Algae
April 30th- Importance of Pond Water Testing

All educational videos will be made available on the Live in the Field Facebook Page at 12pm (noon) on Thursdays

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Explore Our Favorite Websites NOBLE RESEARCH INSTITUTE

The Noble Research Institute provides education, outreach and research in numerous fields of agriculture.

PESTICIDE APPLICATOR LICENSING TRAINING AND TESTING

For those who are needing to obtain a Pesticide Applicators license:

Most PSI testing centers are still closed in the US. You can follow their closures and projected re-opening dates at this website: [PSI Closures](#)

We will notify our clientele when we know of any re-opening.

Training for a Private Applicator License can be obtained by taking the training online for \$75. This includes all materials. The link to register for this online class is found [here](#). Once training is complete, you will submit paperwork to TDA and schedule testing once centers re-open. Complete step-by-step directions for the entire process is found on the TDA website [HERE](#).

For those already licensed - The Texas Department of Agriculture has issued a Pesticide Applicator and Course Provider update relating to license renewals and continuing education trainings.

Find the specific information on the TDA website [HERE](#).

Several of the online sessions mentioned above are offering CEU hours. Please try to virtually "attend" these sessions if you need CEU hours.



ARMYWORMS ALREADY!

There have been reports of armyworms in annual ryegrass, small grains and even bermudagrass this spring. Our Forage Specialist Vanessa Olson notes these could be Fall armyworms or even True Armyworms but with our current situation no one is out identifying them. Treatment recommendations are the same either way. This [FACTSHEET](#) can be helpful when considering treatment. With the rainfall we have been seeing look for products with residual control until hay can be harvested.

COOL SEASON GRASSES CAUSE PROBLEMS FOR ESTABLISHED PASTURES AND HAY MEADOWS

Dr. James Jackson, Extension Program Specialist with the Department of Range, Wildlife and Fisheries, Texas A&M AgriLife Extension, shares that late winter and early spring rains bring about many cool season annual grasses that can cause problems for forage production, especially early season hay cuttings. Problems commonly seen are reduced hay quality and quantity at the first cutting and, in cases when it stays cool and damp, this could persist into the summer. Read his complete [ARTICLE](#) for more information.

