2015 Extension Drainage Design Workshops

REGISTRATION LINK: HTTPS://WWW.REGONLINE.COM/2015DRAINAGE

The annual Extension Drainage Design Workshops will be held in three locations in 2015: Sioux Falls, SD, Grand Forks, ND, and St. Cloud, MN (see page 2 for location details). The workshops are a collaborative effort between the University of Minnesota, North Dakota State University, and South Dakota State University Extension.

The 2-day workshops start at 8:00 a.m. and end at 5:00 p.m. on day two. The workshops will focus on planning and design of agricultural tile drainage systems to meet both profitability and environmental objectives. The course content is taught in a hands-on manner with lots of discussion time.

Each workshop is intended for those interested in a more complete understanding of the planning and design principles and practices for drainage and water table management systems, including: farmers, landowners, consultants, drainage contractors, government agency staff and water resource managers. Planning topics include legal aspects, basics of drainable soils, agronomic perspectives, doing your own tiling, land evaluation tools, wetlands, and conservation drainage concepts and techniques. The design topics begin with basic design considerations and progress through individual small team projects, with several hands-on problem-solving examples covering basic design and layout principles, water flow calculations, drain spacing, sizing, and grades. Design principles for lift stations and conservation drainage practices are also considered.

Registration for the four workshops sessions is now available at the link provided (at the top). The early registration price is $225 (price goes up to $300 about 2 weeks before the start of each workshop), and each workshop is limited to about 65 participants. These workshops have typically filled quickly, so register early to guarantee a spot. Due to seating limitations, on-site registration will not be available on the day of the event. Detailed agendas and additional information will follow shortly and be posted to the registration site.
WORKSHOP LOCATIONS:

**Workshop 1 - February 17-18, 2015**
SDSU Extension Regional Center  
2001 E. Eighth St.  
Sioux Falls, SD 57103  
(605) 782-3290

**Workshop 2 - February 24-25, 2015**
Holiday Inn & Suites St. Cloud  
75 37th Ave.  
St. Cloud, MN 56301  
(320) 253-9000

**Workshop 3 - March 10-11, 2015**
Alerus Center  
1200 42nd St. S  
Grand Forks, ND 58201  
(701) 792-1200

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