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Integrated Pest
Management
Calhoun, Victoria
And
Refugio Counties

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Cotton Stalk Destruction

The cotton stalk destruction deadline for Calhoun, Refugio and Victoria Counties is 1 October. This date has been set to assist in the management of the cotton boll weevil by eliminating cotton plants required for the boll weevil's food source and reproductive sites. Only by removing all live cotton plants can effective boll weevil eradication be completed. All cotton farmers should make their best attempts to remove all live plants from fields. In addition, cotton plants growing wild on fence rows, ditch banks or other non-cultivated areas should also eliminated

Texas Department of Agriculture has set up a procedure for obtaining an extension on the deadline as follows:

Producers in all Pest Management zones may file a <u>request for an individual</u> <u>extension</u> with the appropriate <u>TDA Regional Office</u>.

EXTENSION REQUESTS FOR FIELDS WITH UNHARVESTED COTTON MUST BE SUBMITTED TO TDA NOT LATER THAN 10 DAYS BEFORE the applicable pest management zone's stalk destruction deadline or extended deadline. Requests related to harvested, regrowth and volunteer cotton may be submitted until the deadline or extended deadline.

Zone 1. All producers in Zone 1 should send their extension requests to the San Juan office (Region 5).

Zone 2. Producers in most counties in Zone 2 should send their extension requests to the Corpus Christi sub-office (Region 5). However, extension requests from Calhoun, Goliad and Victoria counties should be sent to the Houston office (Region 3) and extension requests for La Salle County should be sent to the San Antonio office (Region 4).



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SHOW DATES: October 27 & 28, 2010 FREE ADMISSION NO NEED TO CALL IN FOR RESERVATIONS

Plan on attending any program

A maximum of 300 breakfasts will be served each day.