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Cotton IPM, A Systematic Approach to Cotton Production

Integrated Pest Management is a valuable management tool which strives to use several complimentary control methods to manage pests making the system more stable and subject to fewer production risks. The 20th Annual New Mexico Ag Expo is pleased to bring Monti Vandiver, Texas Agri-Life IPM Specialist, to provide training on utilizing IPM strategies in cotton production in the High Plains. Mr. Vandiver will discuss the Integrated Pest Management (IPM) approach to several recurrent and emerging cotton pests. IPM is a systematic, information-intensive approach which depends on an understanding of the entire production system that will meet an individual's production goals in the most economically and environmentally sound manner possible. "Depending on the type of pest, the economic threshold for controlling them can vary and dramatically impact profit potential," says Patrick Kircher, Roosevelt County Ag Agent. Mr. Vandiver will present "Cotton IPM, A Systematic Approach to Cotton Production" on Tuesday, February 21st at 10:30 a.m. in the McAlister Room of the Jake Lopez Bldg. on the Roosevelt County Fairgrounds. This program should be a great opportunity for producers to evaluate pest control options in cotton for the coming year. This course has been approved by the New Mexico Department of Agriculture for one continuing education unit (CEU) to be applied toward a private applicator's license.

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