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2025 COMMERCIAL APPLICATOR LICENSE RECERTIFICATION COURSE
Categories 1A, 3A, 3B, 6, 10, 60

COURSE AGENDA

Thursday, April 17th 2025

Virginia Tech Eastern Shore AREC, 33446 Research Drive, Painter, VA 23420

8:00 – 8:30 AM	Registration
8:30 – 9:15 AM	Pesticide Safety Legal Updates – Nikkita Higgins, VDACS Pesticide Inspector
9:15 - 10:00 AM	IPM Updates for Insect Control in Vegetable Production - Kemper Sutton , Assistant Professor, Entomology, ESAREC
10:00– 10:15 AM	Break
10:15 – 11:00 AM	Right-of-Way Weeds and Their Control – Vijay Singh , Assistant Professor, Weed Science, ESAREC Review of weed types and their different methods of control. Specific problematic plants and situations that affect safety in right-of-way areas will be discussed.
11:00 – 11:45 PM	Insects in the Landscape - Dr. Alejandro Del Pozo , Assistant Professor, Applied Insect Ecology, HRAREC Common insects in landscape and turf, IPM control strategies and invasive species update.
11:45 – 12:30 PM	Lunch
12:30 – 1:15 PM	Turf and landscape weed control - Dr. Jeffrey Derr , Professor, Weed Science, HRAREC Life cycles and management of key weed species in turf and ornamentals
1:15 – 2:00 PM	Pesticide Safety Updates – Theresa Pittman , ANR Extension Agent Accomack County /Helene Doughty , ANR Associate Extension Agent Northampton County

Please bring a form of ID and your commercial pesticide license number.

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