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Take the Next Step: Conservation Tillage Conference

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Hardin County – So you think you are ready to make an effort to improve soil health? Wondering how to produce corn in the most profitable and environmentally safe way? Do you want to know how to fit cover crops into your operation? Maybe you are looking for ways to apply manure to make the most efficient use of your nutrients. Ready to find a way to make better use of the technology integrated into your tractor, combine, planter, or sprayer? Will the new herbicide management programs give that bump in soybean yield you've been looking for? Are you ready test your ideas with on-farm research, develop a nutrient management plan, or make that move to a no-till system?

These are all questions you might have asked yourself, but have struggled to find an answer. This year's Conservation Tillage Conference (CTC) has the answers to these questions and many more. The McIntosh Center at Ohio Northern University will once again be the location where about 60 presenters, several agribusiness exhibitors, and approximately 900 participants will come together March 7th and 8th in Ada, Ohio. Add value to your operation by learning new ideas and technologies to expand your agronomic crops knowledge.

A general session with ag engineer Paul Jasa from the University of Nebraska discussing a Systems Approach to No-till and Soil Health, Corn University, Advanced Cover Crops, Manure Nutrient Management, and Technologies to Support On-Farm Decisions are the sessions that make up day one. On the second day, conference participants will be able to choose from Soybean School, Quantifying Soil Health, Conducting On farm Research: Does it Really Work?, Conservation Assessment and Planning, and Transitioning to No-till.

Find out what experts from OSU Extension, OARDC, USDA, and SWCD are learning from the latest research about the timely topics that affect today's farmers, crop consultants, and agribusiness professionals who are out in the field working together to produce crops in an efficient and environmentally responsible manner. Certified Crop Adviser (CCA) and Certified Livestock Manager (CLM) credits will be available to those who attend. Visit ctc.osu.edu and make plans to participate in this year's Conservation Tillage Conference by February 27 to take advantage of early registration rates.