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41ST ANNUAL EAGLE LAKE RICE FIELD DAY SET FOR JUNE 30

EAGLE LAKE – The 41st annual Eagle Lake Rice Field Day is scheduled for 4 p.m. June 30 at Wintermann Rice Research Station on Farm-to-Market Road 102 just north of Eagle Lake.

The field day will offer an opportunity for producers to tour the research station, making stops along the way to hear about weed management, nitrogen management, varietal testing, the breeding program, and insect management.

The field day is planned and coordinated by the Colorado County Rice Committee, which is comprised of local producers who meet throughout the year to identify topics for the event that are relevant and applicable to producers in the area. Area agribusiness continues to provide crucial sponsorship to support this event so that all who are interested in attending can do so free of charge.

The evening program will be held at the Eagle Lake Community Center with Dr. Joe Outlaw, professor and AgriLife Extension economist and co-director of the Agricultural and Food Policy Center at Texas A&M University, discussing the Farm Bill.

Also on the agenda for the evening program is Dwight Roberts, president and CEO of the U.S. Rice Producers Association. Dwight will provide attendees a look at the current state of the market and an outlook as we move forward with the 2015 crop.

Once producers have completed the tour, a catered meal will be provided at the Eagle Lake Community Center, where the evening program will continue. Two continuing education units will be offered to all licensed pesticide applicators who attend the tour and evening program.

For more information, contact the Wintermann Rice Research Station at 979-234-3578 or the Extension office for Colorado County at 979-732-2082.

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