

2022 Hwy 14 CLASIC — March 1st Lake Benton

Crop, Livestock, and Soil Innovation Conferences

2 CCA Credits: 1 Soil & Water Management Credit & 1 Crop Management Credit

Theme: Benefits & Challenges of Soil Health Practices and The Basics of Carbon

The Crop, Livestock, and Soil Innovation Conferences (CLASIC) provides a unique opportunity for those in ag industry to network on the latest trends and innovations. The CLASIC consists of 4 stops that bring both expert keynote speakers and local farmers to a city near you for a convenient way to learn how they are successfully implementing the latest crop, livestock, and soil innovations

Keynote Speaker: Dorian Gatchell - "Conservation BMP's: Some Successes, Misses, and Even Some Unintended Consequences"

BS Agronomy/soils – South Dakota State University, MS Agronomy – Iowa State University. Certified as CCA and CPag from American Society of Agronomy. Worked in Agronomy field since 1994, in agribusiness to 2009, then founded an independent agronomy consultation company; Minnesota Agricultural Services. Advises crop growers on all aspects of crop production with a focus on profitability with professionalism and high standards in economics, technology and environmental stewardship.



Keynote Speaker: Don Reicosky - "Soil Carbon Management To Improve Soil Health"

Don Reicosky is a retired Soil Scientist for the USDA-ARS, North Central Soil Conservation Research Laboratory, Morris, MN, and Adjunct Professor in the Soil Science Department, University of Minnesota, St. Paul. Later research focused on tillage and residue management measuring gaseous losses of soil carbon following intensive tillage with a portable chamber. The gaseous losses of carbon following tillage were related to the volume of soil disturbed in the tillage operation. The short-term tillage-induced losses after moldboard plowing can help explain the long-term decline in soil carbon associated with intensive cropping. Results from this research suggest a need for improved conservation agriculture methods. In retirement, he continues to write about carbon management and environmental issues



Farmer Panelists: Local farmers discuss economics, trouble-shooting, and logistics of using soil health management on their farms. Each stop on the tour features Dorian, Don, and local farmers.

- Ben Dwire (Lincoln Co.) - No-till, Covers, N-fixing covers, Grazing
- Greg Taveirne (Lyon Co.) - Strip-till, No-till, Manure Utilization
- Ryan Veldhuizen (Pipestone Co.) - Diverse Rotations, No-till, Livestock Considerations
- Tim Dritz (Lincoln Co.) - Strip-till, Nutrient Management

9:30-9:45 Registration
9:45-10:00 Welcome & Introductions
10:00-11:00 Keynote –Dorian Gatchell
11:00-11:10 Break
11:10-12:00 Keynote - Don Reicosky
12:00-12:45 Lunch
12:45-1:00 Partner Programs
1:00-2:00 Farmer Panel

Highway 14 Dates and Locations

Mar 1, 2022	Mar 2, 2022	Mar 3, 2022	Mar 4, 2022
Lake Benton Community Center 114 Center St S Lake Benton, MN 56149	SW Research & Outreach Center 23669 130th St Lamberton, MN 56152	New Ulm Country Club 1 Golf Dr New Ulm, MN 56073	Farm America 7367 360th Ave Waseca, MN 56093

Please RSVP by February 22nd to secure lunch, walk ins aren't guaranteed a meal. RSVP to Danielle Evers at Danielle.Evers@PCM.N.US or 507-825-1199

Or Register Online at: Bit.ly/hwy14LB



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