

2022 South Carolina Vegetation Management Association Annual Conference Agenda Hyatt Regency Greenville

Monday, May 23, 2022

- 10:30 – 12:00 **Board of Directors Meeting & Lunch**
- 2:00 – 5:00 **Conference Registration ~ Sponsored by: Envirokut**
- 2:00 – 5:00 **Exhibitor Setup**

Tuesday, May 24, 2022

- 7:30 – 8:30 **Conference Registration ~ Sponsored by: Envirokut**
Breakfast with Exhibitors ~ Sponsored by: Xylem Tree Experts
- 8:30 – 8:40 **Welcome Remarks**
Bidd Smith, President
- 8:40 – 9:25 **Who or What Killed the Fish?**
Fred Whitford, Purdue Pesticide Programs
- 9:25 – 10:00 **Soil Preparation for Wildlife Food Plots**
Billy Nowlen, Shady Dale Farm
- 10:00 – 10:15 **BREAK ~ Sponsored by: Nutrien**
- 10:15 – 10:45 **Just DRIVE**
Corporal Matthew Goff, South Carolina Department of Public Safety
- 10:45 – 11:45 **Chipper Operations & Safety**
Joe Deriscavage, Bandit Industries
- 11:45 – 12:15 **BUSINESS MEETING (Business Meeting Agenda)**
- 12:15 – 1:00 **LUNCH ~ Sponsored by: Envirokut**
- 1:00 – 1:30 **Panel Q & A**
Jonathan Black, Moderator
- 1:30 – 2:00 **Latest Chemistries in Aquatic Herbicides**
W. Cory Heaton, PhD
- 2:30 – 2:45 **BREAK ~ Sponsored by: Lewis Tree Service**

- 2:45 – 3:30 **Chainsaw Safety, Tension/Compression**
Lonnie Peyton, Lewis Tree Service
- 3:30 – 4:00 **The Global Evolution of Industrial Vegetation Management Practices**
Matt Nespeca, Bayer Environmental Science
- 4:00 – 4:30 **Invasive Plants of Concern in South Carolina**
Jimmy Walters, Urban Forest Advisors
- 4:30 – 4:45 **Award Presentations**
- 4:45 – 5:00 **Sign Up for Continuing Education Credits**
- 5:00 – 6:30 **Reception with Exhibitors ~ Sponsored by: NaturChem**

Wednesday, May 25, 2022

- 7:30 – 8:30 **Exhibitor Hall Open - Breakfast with Exhibitors ~ Sponsored by: Orion Sustainable Solutions**
- 8:30 – 9:15 **Protecting Trailers, Contents, and Pesticides from Theft**
Fred Whitford, Purdue Pesticide Programs
- 9:15 – 10:15 **Invasive Species – Landscape Approach to Early Detection & Rapid Response**
Randy Westbrook, Ph.D., U.S. Geological Survey (Retired)
- 10:15 – 10:30 **BREAK ~ Sponsored by: Southeastern Limb & Tree**
- 10:30 – 11:00 **Forest Fuels Mitigation to Reduce Wildfire Risk**
Mark Wiles, Wiles Forest Management
- 11:00 – 11:45 **Regulating Invasive Species: Protecting SC from Invasive Plant Pests**
Madison McGovern, Clemson University Department of Plant Industry
- 11:45 – 12:00 **2022 Scholarship Raffle Drawing**
Closing Remarks
Bidd Smith, 2022 SCVMA President
- 12:00 – 12:30 **Sign Up for Continuing Education Credits**