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September 30, 2017 is Close

We have talked about the date of September 30, 2017 for a few years now. The date became significant when Senate Bill 150 passed a few years ago. This deals with nutrients and how runoff and nutrients were causing issues with water supply.

In the past 3 years there have been several people who have attended training for certification for applying fertilizer. We have seen most of these people attend trainings that have been offered as part of the 3 year re-certification for private applicators who have a pesticide license through the Ohio Department of Agriculture.

While several people have been trained there are still several who still need the certification. The rules, as they stand now, are that you need a certification to apply fertilizer if you are applying to more than 50 acres of crop ground that you are primarily raising crops for the purpose of selling. If you are raising crops, to feed livestock, you may not need this certification as of now. For complete details, or if you have questions, you can contact to Ohio Department of Agriculture at 800 282-1955. You can also find the information online at <https://nutrienteducation.osu.edu>

If you feel you need to finally get to a class and get certification before it becomes a test, we will be offering another training opportunity. Yes, it looks like it will be an exam to get certification after September 30. The class will be offered on Thursday, September 14 at the North Adams High School starting at 5:30 p.m. The class is free, however, we do need for you to pre-register at least one week prior to the class. To register call the Adams Co. Extension office and register with Barbie at 937-544-2339.

Dates to Remember

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| July 5 | SOACDF (Tobacco Foundation) informational meeting at the Southern Hills Career and Technical Center at 10:30 a.m. |
| July 6 | SOACDF (Tobacco Foundation) informational meeting at the Cherry Fork Gym starting at 6:30 p.m. |
| July 10 | Pesticide Testing at the Old Y Restaurant at noon. Must pre-register at http://pested.osu.edu or call 800-282-1955. As always, this test is offered on the second Monday of each month. |
| July 9-15 | Adams County Fair. |

