

**Using Pesticides Wisely (UPW) 2020:** The University of Georgia (UGA) and Georgia Department of Agriculture (GDA) are awaiting a decision by the U.S. EPA regarding Georgia's 2020 dicamba training program. A label request requiring only applicators who were not trained in 2019 to be trained in 2020 was submitted to the EPA but the final decision regarding this request may not occur until March 4, 2020. In light of this decision time frame, two training programs (Plan A and Plan B) have been developed allowing Georgia to quickly respond to the EPA's decision. **Plan A** meeting schedule (Table 1) will be put in place if the U.S. EPA supports our label allowing the training of only dicamba applicators who were not trained during 2019 (or anyone wanting to be trained again). **Plan B** meeting schedule (Table 2) will be put in place if the decision requires all dicamba certified applicators to be trained for the 2020 season.

**Table 1. Plan A: training schedule if only those not trained in 2019 need to be trained.**

Date, Time	County	RSVP # (Max Attendance)	Location and Address
Mar 9, 10 am	Taylor	478-472-7588	Flint Energies, 3 South Macon Street, Reynolds, GA 31706
Mar 11, 9 am	Colquitt	229-616-7455	Colquitt Co. Ex. Office, 350 Veterans Parkway N, Moultrie, GA 31788
Mar 16, 10 am	Floyd	706-295-6210	Thornton Recreation Center, 102 North Floyd Park Rd, Rome, GA 30165
Mar 17, 9 am	Laurens	478-272-2277 (40 max)	The Dubose Porter Conf. Center at Oconee Fall Line Tech College, Dublin Campus, 560 Pinehill Road, Dublin, GA 31021
Mar 17, 9 am	Pierce	912-449-2034	Pierce County Ext. Office, 705 College Ave., Blackshear, GA 31516
Mar 19, 9 am	Elbert	706-283-2037	Elbert Co. Ext. Office, 1088 Ruckersville Rd, Elberton, GA 30635
Mar 25, 9 am	Early	229-723-3072	Early Co. Ag Center, 5188 Freeman Rd, Blakely, GA 39823
Mar 26, 9 am	Bulloch	912-871-6130	Bulloch Co. Ag Center, 151 Langston Chapel Rd., Statesboro, GA 30458
April 3, 9:30 am	Tift	229-646-1413	Tifton Campus Conf. Center, 15 RDC Road, Tifton, GA 31793

**Table 2. Plan B: training schedule if ALL dicamba applicators must be trained for 2020.**

Date, Time	County	RSVP # (Max Attendance)	Location and Address
Mar 9, 10 am	Taylor	478-472-7588 (250 max)	Flint Energies, 3 South Macon Street, Reynolds, GA 31706
Mar 9, 9:30 am	Tift	229-646-1413	Tifton Campus Conf. Center, 15 RDC Road, Tifton, GA 31793
Mar 11, 9 am	Colquitt	229-616-7455 (175 max)	Colquitt Co. Ex. Office, 350 Veterans Parkway N, Moultrie, GA 31788
Mar 12, 9 am	Terrell	229-995-2165 (300 max)	Terrell County 4-H Pavilion, 2674 Albany Hwy, Dawson, GA 39842
Mar 16, 10 am	Floyd	706-295-6210 (150 max)	Thornton Recreation Center, 102 North Floyd Park Rd, Rome, GA 30165
Mar 16, 9 am	Sumter	229-924-4476 (85 max)	127 William Bower, Americus, GA 31719
Mar 17, 9 am	Laurens	478-272-2277 (176 max)	The Dubose Porter Conf. Center at Oconee Fall Line Tech College, Dublin Campus, 560 Pinehill Road, Dublin, GA 31021
Mar 17, 9 am	Pierce	912-449-2034 (125 max)	Pierce County Ext. Office, 705 College Ave., Blackshear, GA 31516
Mar 17, 9:30 am	Tift	229-646-1413	Tifton Campus Conf. Center, 15 RDC Road, Tifton, GA 31793
Mar 17, 1:30 pm	Dooley	229-268-4171 (150 max)	Unadilla City Hall, 563 W Railroad St, Unadilla, GA 31091
Mar 18, 9 am	Brooks	229-263-4103 (185 max)	Brooks Co. Ag Annex, 400 East Courtland Av., Quitman GA 31643
Mar 18, 9 am	Bulloch	912-871-6130 (325 max)	Nessmith-Lane Conference Center, 847 Plant Dr., Statesboro, GA 30458
Mar 19, 9 am	Elbert	706-283-2037 (150 max)	Elbert Co. Ext. Office, 1088 Ruckersville Rd, Elberton, GA 30635
Mar 23, 10 am	Burke	706-554-2119 (250 max)	Burke Co. Office Park, 715 West Sixth St., Waynesboro, GA 30830
Mar 23, 1:30 pm	Screven	912-564-2064 (75 max)	Screven Co. Ext. Office, 321 Rocky Ford Rd., Sylvania GA 30467
Mar 24, 9 am	Pulaski	478-783-1171 (250 max)	Pulaski Co Rec Dept Gym, 153 Lower River Rd, Hawkinsville GA 31036
Mar 25, 9 am	Early	229-723-3072 (150 max)	Early Co. Ag Center, 5188 Freeman Rd, Blakely, GA 39823
Mar 25, 9 am	Grady	229-377-1312 (220 max)	Grady Co. Agri Center, 65 11 <sup>th</sup> Avenue NE, Cairo, GA 39828
Mar 26, 9 am	Bulloch	912-871-6130 (80 max)	Bulloch Co. Ag Center, 151 Langston Chapel Rd., Statesboro, GA 30458
Mar 26, 9 am	Colquitt	229-616-7455 (175 max)	Colquitt Co. Ex. Office, 350 Veterans Parkway N, Moultrie, GA 31788
Mar 30, 9 am	Macon	478-472-7588 (175 max)	Preston Williams Center, 700 Vienna Rd, Montezuma, GA 31063
Mar 30, 9 am	Mitchell	229-336-2066 (325 max)	Mitchell Co. Ag Center, 4590 GA Hwy 37 East, Camilla, GA 31730
Mar 31, 10 am	Toombs	912-526-3101 (100 max)	Vidalia Onion Research Farm, 8163 Hwy 178, Lyons, GA 30436
Apr 2, 9 am	Coffee	912-384-1402 (60 max)	709 East Ward Street, Douglas GA 31533
Apr 3, 9:30 am	Tift	229-646-1413	Tifton Campus Conf. Center, 15 RDC Road, Tifton, GA 31793
Apr 8, 9 am	Early	229-723-3072 (150 max)	Early Co. Ag Center, 5188 Freeman Rd, Blakely, GA 39823
Apr 21, 9 am	Pierce	912-449-2034 (125 max)	Pierce County Ext. Office, 705 College Ave., Blackshear, GA 31516

# AUXIN TRAINING REQUIREMENTS: GEORGIA 2020

Auxin use in Georgia has been extremely successful. This success can be directly linked to the UPW training, industry support, cooperation between state and federal agencies and most importantly, the dedication of growers and producers to attend training and follow all label directions. We must continue this effort in order to make certain the auxin technologies remain a valuable tool available to growers and producers for many years to come.

## Engenia, FeXapan, Tavium, XtendiMax

1. As mandated by federal labels, one must hold a private or commercial pesticide applicator license to purchase and use these restricted use herbicides. Use is limited to **ONLY** those persons holding a private or commercial applicator certification. It is no longer permissible for non-certified applicators to apply these products under the direct supervision of the certified applicator.
2. The University of Georgia (UGA) and Georgia Department of Agriculture (GDA) are awaiting a decision by the U.S. EPA regarding Georgia's 2020 dicamba training program. A label request allowing only applicators who were not trained in 2019 to be trained in 2020 was submitted to the EPA but the final decision regarding this request may not occur until March 4, 2020.
3. Industry applicator trainings are encouraged and beneficial; however, they **will not** fulfill Georgia's requirement for auxin training.
4. Each label requires certified applicators to document application information. Forms have been designed to help with this challenge and can be found at your local UGA Extension office, from the herbicide registrant, or at <http://www.agr.georgia.gov/24c.aspx>

## Enlist Duo or Enlist One

In order to ensure applicators of Enlist Duo and Enlist One have access to the most current and up to date research and technical information, attendance at a UPW meeting is required. The training and schedule will follow the same approach as noted above for dicamba products. Therefore, as stated on the Enlist Duo and Enlist One 24c labels, "the producer, certified applicator, or person responsible for the application of Enlist Duo or Enlist One in Enlist cotton or soybean, in -crop (planting through harvest), must attend Using Pesticides Wisely training that is approved by the Georgia Department of Agriculture". This means if you are the producer, certified applicator or person responsible for the application, you must be trained (Plan B) or if you are a new applicator or have not previously been trained you must be trained (Plan A). The decision, Plan A or Plan B, will be made no later than March 4, 2020.

## Documentation of UPW Training

Bring your pesticide license to the training. Attendee's names will be placed on a list posted to the Georgia Department of Agriculture's auxin website at <http://www.agr.georgia.gov/24c.aspx>. Please allow up to 21 days after the training date for names to be posted. This list will serve as the official training record as attendance verification.

Two hours of pesticide credit for private or commercial will be offered.

**RSVP and Maximum Attendance:** Everyone must RSVP at least 3 days prior to the meeting that they would like to attend. *It is possible, that in some locations, everyone may not be able to attend their ideal meeting time/location.* Max attendance is determined by the Fire Marshal.

**NO MEAL:** NO meal will be provided because of time constraints and the volume of people required to be trained.

**Training Agenda:** Using Pesticide Wisely (UPW) will last about 1 hr and 30 minutes.