

2017 MCCC Annual Business Meeting Agenda

Monday – March 13, 2017
Pre-meeting Networking

6:00 Attendees arriving on Monday are welcome to join other MCCC participants for refreshments, dinner and conversation starting at 6:00 pm.
Location: TBD

Tuesday – March 14, 2017
MCCC Business Meeting

7:15–8:15 NCCC-211 Project Meeting
NCCC-211 representatives only.
Meeting Chair, Andy Lennsen, Iowa State University

7:30–8:30 Registration

8:30–8:35 Welcome
Dean Baas, Michigan State University Extension

8:35–8:45 MCCC Update
Anna Morrow, MCCC Program Manager, Purdue University

8:45–10:15 State / Province Reports
Ohio, South Dakota, Wisconsin, Kansas, Nebraska and Illinois

10:15–10:30 Break / Poster Session

10:30–12:15 State / Province Reports Continued
Michigan, North Dakota, Minnesota, Iowa, Ontario, Indiana and Missouri

12:15–1:30 Lunch / Poster Session

1:30 – 3:15 Working Sessions
(topics to be determined)

3:15–3:30 Break/Poster Session

3:30–4:15 MCCC Partner Reports

4:15 Business Meeting Adjourns

Registration Information

MCCC Conference
Wednesday 3/15

Regular \$85 (\$100 after 1/31/17)
Graduate Student \$50 (\$60 after 1/31/17)

MCCC Business Meeting
Tuesday 3/14

Regular \$50 (\$60 after 1/31/17)
Graduate Student \$30 (\$40 after 1/31/17)

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2017 Midwest Cover Crops Council Conference

***Making Cover Crops Work -
Experiences from the Field***

***Featuring Concurrent Sessions on
Cover Crop Use in:
Field Crops
Vegetable Crops
Forage / Grazing***



**Wednesday
March 15, 2017**

**Crowne Plaza Grand
Rapids - Airport
5700 28th Street SE
Grand Rapids, MI 49546**

2017 MCCC Pre-Conference Annual Business Meeting – Tuesday, March 14th

7:30 – 5:30 *The day before the conference, the MCCC will hold its annual business meeting. The business meeting is open to everyone, but must be registered for separately. See separate agenda.*

2017 MCCC Annual Conference – Wednesday, March 15th Making Cover Crops Work - Experiences from the Field

7:30-8:30 Registration / Poster Session / Vendor Time

Morning Joint Session (CCA & RUP Credits Pending)

8:30-8:45 Welcoming Remarks

*Ron Hendrick, Dean of the College Agriculture and Natural Resources
Michigan State University*

8:45-9:45 **Keynote: Cover Crop Termination: Considerations when selecting herbicides and the potential for resistance**

Dale Shaner, Retired USDA-ARS—University of Colorado

9:45-10:00 Morning Break / Vendor Time

Concurrent Sessions (CCA & RUP Credits Pending)

Sessions will feature presentations about experiences from the field on making cover crops work delivered by a researcher/educator and farmer team. Three tracks will provide cover crop information on field crop, vegetable crop and forage/grazing systems. Each session includes ample time for questions from the audience.

Morning Concurrent Session Schedule			
Time	Track 1 Field Crops	Track 2 Vegetable Crops	Track 3 Forage/Grazing
10:00 – 10:45	Nathan Johannning /Adam Dahmer (IL) Challenges and successes of no-till and cover crops in Southern Illinois	Ben Phillips/Mike Yancho Jr. (MI) I can't believe it's not butternut on plastic! Year two rye cover and fertility	Mike Buis (ON) Lessons from over 10 years of grazing cover crops in beef production
10:45 – 11:30	Anita Dille/Josh Lloyd (KS) Use of cover crops for weed suppression in field crops in Kansas	Ajay Nair (IA) tentative Cover crops and conservation tillage systems in organic broccoli, peppers and squash	Rachel Martin/Jon Nelson (MI) Cover crops & forage-finished beef: A 3-year study of forage quality
11:30 – 12:15	Fred Warner/George Bird (MI) Interactions between cover crops and nematodes in diverse MI field crops	Laura Van Eerd (ON) Long-term cover cropping in conventional vegetable systems. Soil health & tilling	Kevin Shelley (WI) Winter rye cover crop and forage comparison in Wisconsin – five year results

12:15-1:15 Lunch / Vendor Time

Afternoon Concurrent Session Schedule			
Time	Track 1 Field Crops	Track 2 Vegetable Crops	Track 3 Forage/Grazing
1:15 – 2:00	Lisa Holscher (IN) How Indiana moved from 184,000 acres of cover crops to 1.1 million acres in 5 years	Nathan Johannning (IL) Experiences with cover crops and no-till vegetables production in southern IL	Richard Ehrhardt (MI) Grazing cover crops and small ruminants
2:00 – 2:45	Dave Hooker (ON) tentative Long-term experiment in diversity and cover crops in corn -soybean-wheat rotation	Dan Brainard/Ben Werling / Ralph Ooman (MI) Mustard family cover crops pest management in vegetables	Jerry Lindquist/Chris Harrington (MI) Grazing multi specie cover crops with beef cattle – the MI experience

Afternoon Joint Session (CCA & RUP Credits Pending)

2:45-3:30 Afternoon Break / Poster Session / Vendor Time

3:30-4:30 **Interseeding Cover Crops into Field Crops Systems: Geography makes a Difference**

*Karen Renner – Michigan State University
Marisol Berti – North Dakota State University*

4:30-4:45 **Conference Wrap-up**

*Closing Remarks
Dean Baas, Michigan State University Extension*