

Soil Health and Water Management Field Day
The Ohio State University, Lima, Ohio
August 28, 2025

Program

8:30am	Registration Opens
9:00am	Introductions/Agenda (Galvin Hall)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Welcome & pre-event survey (if any) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Garth McDorman, Agriculture and Natural Resources Educator, Allen County Extension ○ Margaret Young, Dean, OSU Lima. • LRAF overview & instructions for field demonstrations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Todd Mason, 7M Farms, Lima, Ohio ○ Vinayak Shedekar, Assistant Professor (Ag. Water Management), OSU
9:30am	Field Demonstrations – Ag fields north of campus (30-min per station)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Station 1: Cover Crop plots (Todd Mason and Jay Brandt) • Station 2: Irrigation (Overhead and Subirrigation) • Station 3: Ag Water Retention and water Quality (Vinayak and Team)
11:00am	My soil health story (Galvin Hall)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Todd Mason • Matt Burkholder • Ken Rulon – TBD • Keith Dennis - Backup
12:00	Lunch (Sponsor acknowledgements)
12:45pm	Farm Business Analysis/Cover Crop Financials , Clint Schroeder, program manager for the Ohio Farm Business Analysis and Benchmarking
1:15pm	Linking soil health testing to management Monica Jean, MSU Extension Field Crops Educator
1:50	Break
2:30pm	Water Management in Ohio – can drainage and irrigation co-exist?
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Why worry about irrigation vs drainage? (Vinayak Shedekar, OSU) • Irrigation considerations for Ohio (Andy Farnham, AG Irrigation, Edgerton, Ohio)
3:30pm	Concluding remarks and post-event survey
3:45pm	Adjourn

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