

Tillage Workshop

August 6 and 7, 2019

In the cells below each individual evaluation is represented by a letter. The individuals ranked presentations on a scale of 1-5 where 1 is lowest and 5 is the highest.

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What did you like best about your course?

I liked Jim Hershey's presentation

Farmer panel always learn the most from listening to different practices and what works/what doesn't

Sharing ideas

The diverse topics that were discussed

"Planting Green" was the most interesting topic

Farmer panels were great

Getting to walk around and see/learn about equipment, including the demo

Diversity of the speakers

Farmer Panel - Planting green - New concept for me. I'd heard about it but in very general terms

Equipment Demo

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What did you like least about your course?

The public setting was distracting at times

More hands on!

Too many outsiders

Lots of conventional/larger scale row cropping farms

Not much on small-medium scale agriculture

Wish there was a bit more discussion about vegetable farming operations and not really just dairies and cash grain crops

Weather-rain

The whole program was put together well and the location was satisfactory. Presented topics however, were redundant and nothing new was really discussed which made it boring and not interesting. All of these soil health meetings talk about the same thing in a different way based on the presenter brought in. The same group of farmers are asked to present on panels for discussion and again how many times do we want to hear from the same people about their practices.

Future course/topic suggestions:

Seeing what works and doesn't work in the field

Pesticide management (herbicides) in no-till systems!

Cover cropping, resistant weeds, what to do? How does herbicides affect cover crops

Nutrient management for both organic and conventional farms

I realize it's tough to put together a workshop when it's a practice still being adopted and it's to be expected that we'll hear from the same farmers and researchers. I am just ready to hear something new in relation to the topic.

Anything else?

I would like to see a planter that is set up to plant green

Nutrient cycling, master composting

Overall really enjoyed it all

Excellent to hold workshop at EFD