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Southwest Michigan Specialty Crop Irrigation Meeting



Tuesday, March 17, 2020 Benton Harbor, MI 49022

SW MI Specialty Crop Irrigation Meeting

An irrigation update for fruit, vegetable, ornamental and other horticultural crops.

Agenda

Break

9:00 a.m. - Welcome

Water rights / rules and irrigation implications

- Riparian doctrine, water rights and conflicts
- Registration and reporting system required for withdrawals greater than 70gpm

When to start irrigation and how much to apply

- Irrigation goal and why it differs between crops location and growth stage
- Irrigation scheduling and Soil moisture monitoring for specialty crops
- tools, service and simplified watering tips

Irrigation Design Process Example

- Irrigation Design Process From initial consultation, to site design/proper engineering, to installation - what to expect.
- System Components There's what you thought you needed, and then there's everything else

Using irrigation for fertilizer and chemical application

- Chemigation equipment, backflow and required safety equipment
- Irrigation for germination and incorporating chemicals and fertilizer

12:00 p.m. - Adjourn



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Presenters

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- Dr. Younsuk Dong MSU Department of Biosystems and Agricultural Engineering Irrigation
- Lyndon Kelley MSU Extension/Purdue Extension Irrigation Educator

