

# Colorado CCA News

*Colorado Certified Crop Adviser Newsletter*



## Colorado CCA Update

Laura Quakenbush was recently elected as the Chair of the Colorado CCA Board. Laura represents the Colorado Department of Agriculture and will serve a one year term. She replaces Jim Sharkoff as Chair.

Lanny Huston replaces Rod Terrell on the CCA Board representing the Fertilizer and Agricultural Chemical Dealers. Lanny Huston  
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Ron Schierer replaces Jim Sharkoff on the Board representing USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service.

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Both Lanny and Ron were appointed by their sponsoring organization for a 3-year term and are eligible to serve two terms. For a complete listing of Colorado CCA Board members, visit: [http://www.coloradocca.org/board\\_members.htm](http://www.coloradocca.org/board_members.htm).

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## Professional Development Category Update

Attention meeting planners! Are you looking for topics for your next meeting? If so, Professional Development (PD) continuing education credits, a new category of CEUs, are now being accepted by both the Colorado and ICCA Boards.

Professional development is an important component of being an effective professional CCA. Subject areas include ethics in crop advising, business, economic and legal issues,

computer technology, and communications, leadership and interpersonal skills. CCAs may earn up to 5 PD CEUs every 2 years. There is no minimum requirement for PD CEUs.

For information on subject matter needed to get CEUs approved in professional development and other categories, go to the CCA Continuing Education Standards document at: [http://www.agronomy.org/cca/pdf/ceu\\_standards.pdf](http://www.agronomy.org/cca/pdf/ceu_standards.pdf).

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## Colorado ChemSweep Continues

If you have any unwanted, unused, or banned/outdated pesticide waste that you wish to dispose of, Colorado ChemSweep is an environmentally sound and economical disposal option for this material.

Brochures and registration forms are available at: <http://www.colostate.edu/Depts/SoilCrop/extension/CEPEP/public.htm#ChemSweep>. For more information, call the MSE Colorado ChemSweep Hotline at 1-888-AGCHEM2 (1-888-242-4362).



## CDA Notes

*By Laura Quakenbush, CCA Board Chair and Pesticide Registration Coordinator and John Scott, Pesticide Applicator Coordinator, Colorado Department of Agriculture (CDA) Division of Plant Industry*

### Personnel changes

CDA has a new deputy commissioner, Greg Yando. Yando assumed his new position with CDA on August 11, 2003. He comes to us from a position as chief operating officer of the Dairy Farmers of America. Yando assumed the deputy commissioner position following a 14-year term held by Robert G. McLavey. McLavey resigned in July of this year to pursue other interests.

On April 1, 2003, Ron Turner took over as the Director of the Division of Plant Industry, as well as continuing to be the Division Director of Inspection and Consumer Services.

### Compliance with Colorado Section 18 requirements

Colorado has several products each year that are available for use under EPA-granted Section 18 exemptions. This allows for an unregistered use of a pesticide to deal with an emergency situation. It is important that anyone recommending use of a Section 18 product be aware of all of the requirements. In particular, anyone making an application of a pesticide for a Section 18 use:

- must be a licensed applicator (either licensed by CDA or licensed by EPA as a private applicator)
- must obtain a permit from CDA prior to purchase or use of the product
- should receive the Section 18 use directions from the dealer when purchasing the product
- must have these use directions with him/her when applying the product, and
- must keep certain records and submit a report to CDA soon after applications are completed.

Dealers supplying any Section 18 product must:

- be licensed as a dealer with CDA,
- record the applicators Section 18 permit number in addition to applicators commercial or private applicator license number, and
- provide the Section 18 use directions obtained from the distributor to the applicator.

Not complying with any of the conditions of a Section 18 exemption can result in civil penalties of up to \$5,000 per violation, and can also result in denial of an application to obtain a Section 18 permit (i.e., applicator will not be allowed to use any products for Section 18 uses).

A list of Section 18 requests and additional information can be found at: <http://www.colostate.edu/Depts/SoilCrop/extension/CEPEP/sec18/exemptions.htm>.

### 2003 Colorado Pesticide Applicator Newsletter now available

If you would like to know the issues affecting pesticide applicators today, CDA has recently published its annual newsletter. It is available on the CDA website at: <http://www.ag.state.co.us/DPI/PesticideApplicator/Home.html>.

The purpose of the newsletter is to inform the applicator community of important updates that affect their business and individual applicator licenses in Colorado. Updates in Federal and State regulatory issues and procedures will also be relayed through this newsletter. If you do not have web access, feel free to contact Mary Jo Dennis, CDA Test Administrator, at 303-239-4148 to have a copy mailed out to you.

## Call for Articles

Do you have an idea for a future newsletter article? Do you know of a CCA member who has received recognition and should be mentioned in a future CCA newsletter? Do you know of any websites that would be of interest to other CCAs?

If you have answered "yes" to any of the above questions or have any other ideas or comments to share, please contact Betsy Buffington at [Betsy.Buffington@ColoState.edu](mailto:Betsy.Buffington@ColoState.edu) or (970) 491-3947.

## Meet the Colorado CCA Board—Troy Bauder

Troy Bauder serves as a non-voting member of the Colorado CCA Board as the chair of the exam committee. In this position, he works with the exam committee to develop and conduct the annual certification exam for potential CCAs. The exam committee also reviews one module of performance objectives (P.O.s) each year and develops test questions for Board approval for new or changed P.O.s.

In his professional life, Troy is the Extension Water Quality Specialist in the Department of Soil and Crop Sciences at Colorado State University. In this position, he is responsible for conducting educational and applied research programs on water quality, especially related to protection of ground water quality from impairment due to agricultural chemicals. This work is both rewarding and challenging as he interacts with producers, the agricultural industry, university faculty, government, and people in the environmental

community on a regular basis. His research and outreach activities include nutrient, salinity, and irrigation management; aquifer vulnerability to contamination; and factors affecting adoption of best management practices by Colorado producers.

Troy's formal education consists of two years at Northeastern Junior College followed by a B.S. degree in Agronomy and a M.S. in Soil Science from Colorado State University. His practical education includes work as a farm hand, field and laboratory technician, irrigation and landscape installer; water well service technician, and involvement in the family farm near Sterling, Colorado. In his free time, he enjoys hunting, fishing, hiking, gardening or other outdoor activities, often with his two daughters (age 15 and 7). He also is actively engaged in the challenges of his family's agricultural operation.



*Troy Bauder  
CCA Board Member*

## Calendar of Upcoming CEUs

Date and Location	Course Title	CEU's	For more information contact:
11/19/03 Sheraton Hotel Colorado Springs	Colorado Agricultural Aviation Association Annual Convention	3.0 PM	Gary Leeper 303-433-4446
11/21/03 Ski Hi Park Monte Vista	SLV Forage/Livestock Conference	1.0 NM 3.0 SW 1.0 PM 2.0 CM	Merlin Dillon 719-754-3494 ext. 12
11/28/03 Wyndham Hotel Colorado Springs	Waste Management Workshop	4.0 NM* -or- 0.5 NM* 1.5 SW	Kristi Gay 719-765-4676
Other meetings for continuing education credits will be announced in future CCA newsletters or can be found on the Colorado CCA website at <a href="http://www.coloradocca.org/calendar.htm">http://www.coloradocca.org/calendar.htm</a> .			

\* Concurrent sessions

**Note:** To receive proper credit when attending meetings in adjoining states, sign the attendance sheets along with your CCA number. You should follow up on out-of-state CEUs to make sure that your records are credited. If they are not, contact Lorene Peterson of the ICCA office in Madison, WI at (608) 273-8090 extension 310.

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### Web Sites Worth A Look

#### **Colorado CCA website**

<http://www.coloradocca.org>

Calendar of upcoming CEUs, current and past CCA newsletters, links to Colorado and National sites, information on board and committee members, and much more!

#### **Colorado Integrated Pest Management Network**

<http://www.colostate.edu/Depts/SoilCrop/extension/CEPEP/CoPMC/default.htm>

A pest management information network for Colorado agriculture.

#### **Colorado Agricultural Commission**

[http://www.ag.state.co.us/commissioner/ag\\_commission.html](http://www.ag.state.co.us/commissioner/ag_commission.html)

Listing of agricultural commission members.

#### **AgDealMall**

<http://stores.ebay.com/agdealmall>

An online Farm and Ranch Store from eBay, where you can browse, search, and purchase new and used agricultural related items.

#### **Power Agronomy**

[http://software.powertekgroup.com/power\\_agronomy/](http://software.powertekgroup.com/power_agronomy/)

Need to track your farm, field visits, weed/disease/insect problems, and chemical applications? Power Agronomy is computer software that allows you to enter field information.

#### **Agriscape**

<http://www.agriscape.com>

Online directory of agriculture.

#### **The Farm Directory**

<http://www.farmdirectory.com>

Agriculture yellow pages.



### **REMINDER February CCA Exam**

If you know of someone who is planning to take the CCA exam on February 6, 2004, they need to register by December 19, 2003. For more info, go to: <http://www.agronomy.org/cca/exams.html>.