2010 Crop and Pest Management School in Bozeman Jan. 5-7 MSU News Service

Summary: Pulse and forage crops are the focus of the 2010 Crop and Pest Management School, to be held Jan. 5-7 at Montana State University in Bozeman.

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BOZEMAN -- The 2010 Crop and Pest Management School will be held Jan. 5-7 at Montana State University.

The "Pulse and Forage Crops" classes will be held in the MSU Plant Growth Center. The school is open to anyone who wants to register, but is targeted for producers, county agents and crop consultants.

The program provides an overview of pulse and forage crop management including weed, disease and insect management. Specialists from MSU as well as guest speakers from North Dakota will present up-to-date information. Eric Bartsch of United Pulse Trading in North Dakota will provide an overview of the pulse industry, and Dennis Cash, MSU, will review perennial forage management. Class topics include pulse breeding, with Kevin McPhee, North Dakota State University; pulse variety performance in Montana, with Karnes Neil, MSU Central Ag Research Center; and cereal forage management and production, with Ron Carlstrom, MSU Extension agent in Gallatin County. MSU specialists will also discuss weed, disease, insect, nutrient and economic topics.

Crop consulting and pesticide applicator credits will be available for participation. A certificate of completion will be given to those who attend the entire conference. Find a downloadable schedule with registration brochure at

http://www.northernpulse.com/uploads/resources/565/2010brochure-cropand-pest-management.pdf. The cost of registration, payable to Department of Plant Sciences and Plant Pathology, is \$195 if payment is postmarked by Dec. 15. For more information, or to request a printed brochure, please e-mail Kevin Wanner at <u>kwanner@montana.edu</u>, or call (406) 994-5663.

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