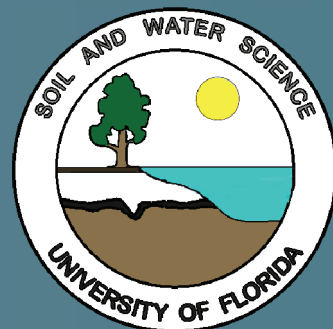


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Dear Colleague:

The purpose of this letter is to invite you to participate in the 10th Annual Soil and Water Science Research Forum (<http://soils.ifas.ufl.edu/forum/>) scheduled for September 11, 2009, in Gainesville, Florida. The forum is designed to bring together representatives from state and federal agencies, and private industry, faculty and graduate students, and prospective students interested in soil, water, and environmental sciences. The forum will provide an opportunity for all interested in soil, water, and environmental sciences to interact with our students, faculty and administrators on campus. Primary theme of 2009 SWSD Research Forum is "Research-Extension Linkages in Soil, Water, and Environmental Sciences".

The keynote speaker for 2009 Forum is Dr. Clifford S. Snyder, Nitrogen Program Director, International Plant Nutrition Institute, Conway, AR. Dr. Snyder will discuss strategies to strengthen research-extension linkages. His presentation is entitled "Managing Reactive Nitrogen in Agriculture: Research, Extension and Industry Challenges". In addition, Dr. Ed Osborne, Chair of Agricultural Education and Communication Department is invited to present some key programs offered by his department. A panel of SWSD extension faculty members are planning to present their views on how to strengthen research-extension linkages.

The Soil and Water Science Department (SWSD) faculty, staff, and students conduct research in several interdisciplinary programs including: biogeochemistry, ecology, environmental sciences, hydrologic sciences, tropical agriculture, and turfgrass management. Research efforts are organized into the following general areas: 1) Management of nutrients, pesticides, and wastes, 2) Remediation of contaminated soils, waters, and aquifers, 3) Carbon management and Ecosystem services, 4) Soil and landscape analysis, and 5) Wetlands and aquatic systems.

We look forward to your participation in the forum. If you are planning to attend, please go to the following web site and register. <http://soils.ifas.ufl.edu/forum/registration.htm>

Thank you and looking forward to seeing at the Forum.

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Who Should Attend?

The forum is designed to bring together representatives from state and federal agencies, senior-level college students, private consulting firms and industry, faculty, students and prospective students interested in SWSD. The Forum provides an opportunity for interaction among attendants.

8 am - 8:30 Registration

8:35 - 8:45 Opening Remarks

*Ramesh Reddy, Graduate Research Professor and Chair,
Soil and Water Science Department*

8:45 - 9:00 Dr. Millie Ferrer , Interim Dean for Extension

*9:00 - 9:45 "Managing Reactive Nitrogen in Agriculture: Research,
Extension and Industry Challenges"*

*Keynote Speaker: Dr. Clifford S. Snyder, Nitrogen Program
Director, International Plant Nutrition Institute, Conway, AR*

9:45 - 10:00 Break

10:00 - 10:20 "Going Green with Your Research"

*Dr. Ed Osborne, Chair,
Agricultural Education & Communication*

*10:20 - 11:45 Research-Extension Linkages in Soil, Water, and
Environmental Sciences Panel Discussion*

George Hochmuth (Moderator)

Mark Clark

Ed Hanlon

Rao Mylavarapu

Tom Obreza

Amy Shober

11:45 - 1:00 Lunch (on your own)

1:00 pm - 2:20 Oral Presentations

2:30 - 5:00 Poster Viewing & Reception

5:00 Adjourn