

PROGRAM
SOUTHWEST TURFGRASS ASSOCIATION
RECREATIONAL LANDSCAPE CONFERENCE AND EXPO
South Valley Multipurpose Center
2008 Larazolo Road SW, Albuquerque, NM
OCTOBER 22-23, 2024

Tuesday, October 22nd

8:00 to 9:00 am	Registration, Badge pick-up
9:00 to 9:15 am	Introduction (SWTA president)
9:15 to 10:00 am	Welcome Administrators: Dr. Rolando Flores, Dean, Dr. Jon Boren, Associate Dean Dr. Jay Lillywhite, Associate Dean, College of Agricultural, Consumer and Environmental Sciences
10:00 to 11:00 am	Extension & Research Update (Dr. Bernd Leinauer, NMSU)
11: 00 to 12:00 am	<u>Keynote:</u> Precision turfgrass management: current trends and future applications (Chase Straw, Texas A&M University)
12:00 to 1:00 pm	TRADE SHOW
1:00 to 2:00 pm	LUNCH
2:00 to 2:45 pm	Plant Diagnostic Clinic Update (Dr. Phillip Lujan, NMSU)
2:45 to 3:30 pm	Ants of New Mexico (Dr. Joanie King, NMSU)
3:30 to 4:00 pm	Break
4:00 to 4:45 pm	Spray Application Technologies in Turf and Landscapes (Dr. Chase Straw, Texas A&M University)

Wednesday, October 23rd

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| 8:00 to 8:45 am | USGA Green Section Highlights of 2024
(Brian Whitlark, USGA) |
| 8:45 to 9:30 am | Turf Insect IPM
(Dr. Ricardo Ramirez, NMSU) |
| 9:30 to 10:15 am | Sports field variability and its impact on athlete-surface interactions
(Dr. Chase Straw, Texas A&M University) |
| 10:15 to 10:30 am | Break |
| 10:30 to 11:15 pm | Insect Update – A Year in Review
(Dr. Joanie King, NMSU) |
| 11:15 to 12:00 pm | Insecticide Application Strategies to Manage Pesticide Resistance
(Dr. Ricardo Ramirez, NMSU) |
| 12:30 to 1:00 pm | TRADE SHOW |
| 1:00 to 1:45 pm | LUNCH |
| 1:45 to 2:30 pm | Industry Highlights and Q+A with Industry Representatives |
| 2:30 to 3:15 pm | USGA’S Water Conservation Efforts
(Brian Whitlark, USGA) |
| 3:15 to 3:30 pm | BREAK |
| 3:30 to 4:15 pm | Turfgrass diseases and management strategies for NM
(Dr. Phillip Lujan, (NMSU) |
| 4:15 to 5:00 pm | Principles of Organic Herbicides in Urban Landscapes
(Leslie Beck, NMSU) |

Registration and Information: <http://southwestturfgrass.com/>