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Phase I & II

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Phase I

- 8:30 a.m. **Registration**
- 9:00- 9:05 **Welcome**
Ricky Kilpatrick, Parish Chair, Bossier Parish LCES
Dr. Patrick Colyer, Regional Director, LSU AgCenter
Andrea Bridgewater, District Conservationist, NRCS
- 9:05-9:25 **Opening Comments**
Dr. Rogers Leonard, Assoc. Vice-Chancellor, LSU AgCenter
Dr. Mike Strain, Commissioner, LDAF
Kevin Norton, NRCS, State Conservationist
Randy Toups, President, Louisiana Cattlemen's Association
Ronnie Anderson, President, Louisiana Farm Bureau
- 9:25-9:55 **LMFU Overview, SPCC**
Dr. Ernest Girouard, Coordinator, LMFP
- 9:55-10:25 **Conservation Planning Process**
Chris Coreil, Conservation Agronomist, NRCS
- 10:25-10:40 **SHORT BREAK**
- 10:40-10:50 **Sewer System Requirements**
Allen Hogan, Extension Assoc., LMFP
- 10:50-11:10 **Pesticide Issues/Updates**
George Shepherd, LDAF
- 11:10-11:30 **LDEQ & NPS Pollution**
Greg Waldron, Environmental Scientist, LDEQ
- 11:30-11:50 **Implementing the Conservation Plan Q & A**
James Hendrix, Area Agent, LMFP
- 11:50-12:10 **LUNCH**

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- 12:10-12:30 **Know Your Watershed**
Donna Morgan, Area Agent, LMFP
Scenic Rivers
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- 12:30-1:15 **Agricultural Prescribed Burn Education and Certification**
Allen Hogan, Extension Assoc., LMFP
Joey Breaux, Ag. Environmental Specialist Mgr., LDAF
George Shepherd, LDAF
- 1:15-1:30 **State Environmental Updates**
Joey Breaux, Ag. Environmental Specialist, LDAF
Michael Schooler, Ag Environmental Specialist, LDAF
Theron Phillips, Ag Environmental Specialist, LDAF

2:00 Cover Crop/Water Quality Field Day

Phase II

- Effect of Cover Crops on Crop Yields and Water Use**
Syam Dodla, Assistant Professor, Agronomy
- Economics of Best Management Practices**
Naveen Adusumilli, Assistant Professor, Water Economics
- Evaluating Water Quality and Soil Health Under Fallow Season Cover Crops**
Changyoon Jeong, Assistant Professor, Soil and Water Quality
- Furrow Irrigation Technologies**
Stacia Davis, Assistant Professor, Irrigation Engineer

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