

Monday

November 17, 2025

AM

– 9:00 **Visit with Vendors**

8:00 – 12:00 **Core and ROW certification training**

Mr. Chris Gregory,
Research Associate, MSU
Dr. John Byrd, Professor,
MSU

PM **Lunch on your own**

12:55 – 1:00 **Welcome**
Mr. Nolan Thorne,
President, MVMA

1:00 – 2:00 **Industry Updates**

2:00 – 2:30 **Dead Trees on Electric Utility ROW**
Mr. Nolan Thorne,
Southern Pines Electric

2:30 – 3:30 **Visit with Vendors**

3:30 – 4:00 **Dead Trees on MDOT ROW**
Mr. Johnnie Thorne,
Maintenance Division,
MDOT

4:00 – 4:30 **Keeping the Mississippi River Contained**
Mr. Peter Nimrod,
Mississippi Levee Board

4:30 – 5:00 **What is MSU Extension and What Extension can do for You?**
Dr. Angus Catchot,
Director, MSU Extension Service

5:00 – 5:15 *The Sam Pittman*
“Excellence in Vegetation Management” Award,
Sam Pittman

5:30 - **Reception/Visit with Vendors**

Dinner on your own

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6:30 – 8:00 **Breakfast**

7:00 – 7:30 **Devotion**
Mr. Gueth Braddock

7:30 – 8:30 **Business Meeting**
Mr. Nolan Thorne,
President, MVMA

Introduction of candidate
Officer Elections

8:30 – 9:00 **ROW IVM Update**
Mr. Chris Gregory, MSU

9:00 – 10:00 **Herbicide Resistance, the Basics**
Dr. Jason Bond, Professor
of Weed Science, Mississippi
State University

10:00 – 11:00 **Visit with Vendors**

11:00 – 12:00 **Endangered Species, Mitigations, MSMA and Glyphosate Update**
Dr. John Byrd, MSU

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PM
1:30 -

ROW and General Standards Testing,
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