

Dillon Private Applicator Training

Tuesday, April 3rd

Dillon, MT – 4-H Building

Welcome & Introductions

2:00 – 3:00

Forest Pest identification and Control

Amy Gannon – Entomologist, MT DNRC Forest Pest Management Program

This presentation will address some of the most common forest insects impacting conifers in Montana and will include identification and management options, with emphasis on proper chemical control. Non-target impacts of herbicides on conifers will be presented as well. Time will be given for questions and discussion

3:00 – 4:00

Common turf/grass diseases, and management including cultural and chemical

Toby Day – MSU Extension Horticulture Associate Specialist, Master Gardner Coordinator

This presentation will cover common turf/grass diseases, their signs and symptoms, identification and management options.

4:00 – 4:45

Ecology and management of cheatgrass and other annual grasses in rangeland.

Noelle Orloff – MSU Associate Extension Specialist, Scutter Diagnostic Lab

This presentation will cover the ecology of cheatgrass, management efforts including cultural and chemical control. Noelle will also be discussing the identification, ecology, and control of other annual grasses such as Medusahead and Ventenata,

4:45 – 5:30

Pesticide Law and Record Keeping

Theresa Schrum – MDA Plant Science Specialist

Theresa will be covering pesticide law as it pertains to private applicators including reading the label, PPE, and record keeping of chemical applications.