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Boone County Conservation District Newsletter

Boone County Nut Sales

We will be selling nuts once again this year! Order forms will be mailed out in the next few weeks. Nuts will be in for your holiday baking!

Varieties include pecan pieces / halves; peanuts; chocolate covered nuts; walnuts; and pecan logs.

Order forms will also be available on our website www.boonecd.com.



Find the



Read our newsletter and look for the black/white bee—Like the one pictured above! It will be hidden each newsletter in the text. It can be found on any page!

Once found, email us your answer at:

lisa.widner@ar.nacdnet.net

Or call the answer in to

(870) 741-8600 x. 3.

Give us your full name, phone number, and where the bee is located.

All correct answers will be entered in a drawing for a handcrafted birdhouse. The drawing will be held in Spring 2021.



According to the 2017 Census of Agriculture, there are about 3.4 million agricultural producers in America, which is only about one percent of our population. These farmers and ranchers not only provide the essentials that we need, but they do wonderful things for their families and friends, their communities, and beyond.

Visit www.necasag.org for more information.

Our Mission:

TO WORK WITH OTHER ORGANIZATIONS & LAND OWNERS HAVING SIMILAR GOALS TO PROMOTE THE CONSERVATION OF OUR NATURAL RESOURCES.

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The 4 R's of Fertilization

When most farmers think nutrient management they think fertilize. But there is a little more to it than that. Nutrient management can be simplified with the 4 R's:

- The Right Nutrient
- The Right Rate
- The Right Time
- The Right Placement

The right nutrient can be determined by a soil sample test. You can get a soil sample test by taking a soil sample to the UA extension office. They will need to know the crop or types of grasses or legumes (clover) you will be wanting to grow.

The right rate is again determined with the soil sample. The right amount of fertilize will be determined by taking the plants needs and subtracting the nutrients provided by the soil.

The right time to apply fertilize is equally important. Timing can mean the difference in maximizing your fertilizer and wasting time and money. For example, you wouldn't want to apply fertilizer when heavy rains are expected since runoff would send the nutrients down the stream. A question about establishing grass is, when should fertilizer be put out? Most folks want to apply it as soon as they sow the seed. But, wait until the seed has germinated and started growing. By fertilizing right after seeding, you are only fertilizing the competition. Getting forages established is too expensive to waste money fertilizing the plants you don't want.

The right placement of the nutrient is also critical. With pasture

and hay meadows in Boone County the only option is surface application. But with gardener's, placement can be important to what crop you are growing. For shallow rooted crops you wouldn't want to deep till fertilize since the root crops wouldn't be able to reach the nutrients, while deep rooted crops, tilling in nutrients would be beneficial.

So the next time you are getting ready to apply nutrients to your fields or gardens remember the 4 R's. They might just help you have a successful crop yield and it will definitely make you a better steward of your land.

Crooked Creek Watershed Project: Boone County

The focus of this project is the Crooked Creek Watersheds. If your farm falls within these watersheds, you could be eligible for cost-share practices!

Applicants must own land within the specified project area and agree to implement specific eligible conservation practices as part of a conservation plan which will protect water quality.

Cost share funds will be provided at a **maximum of 40% of the total cost**

of practice implementation. In a 3 year period, cost share **will not exceed** \$7,500 per operator. Arkansas Natural Resources Commission will administer the financial assistance.

The non-cost shared match (60%) may be met through the landowners' labor and materials. Also, non-cost shared practices will be used as in-kind match.

Practices for Cost Share

Fence 

Watering Facility

Pipeline

Spring Development

Heavy Use Area Protection

Nutrition / Grazing Mgt.

Roof Runoff Structure

Access Control

Prescribed Grazing

Filter Strip

Funding for this project is made possible through the Clean Water Act, Section 319.

Equipment for Rent

No Till Drills:

\$100.00 deposit-
\$10.00/ac (\$100.00 a
day minimum)

Smooth Roller:

\$50.00 deposit-
\$25.00/day

Aerator: \$50.00 de-
posit-\$35.00/day

Gas-Powered Rhino Post/T-Post Driver

\$50.00 deposit-
\$50.00/day or

\$75.00 a weekend

Litter/Lime Spread-

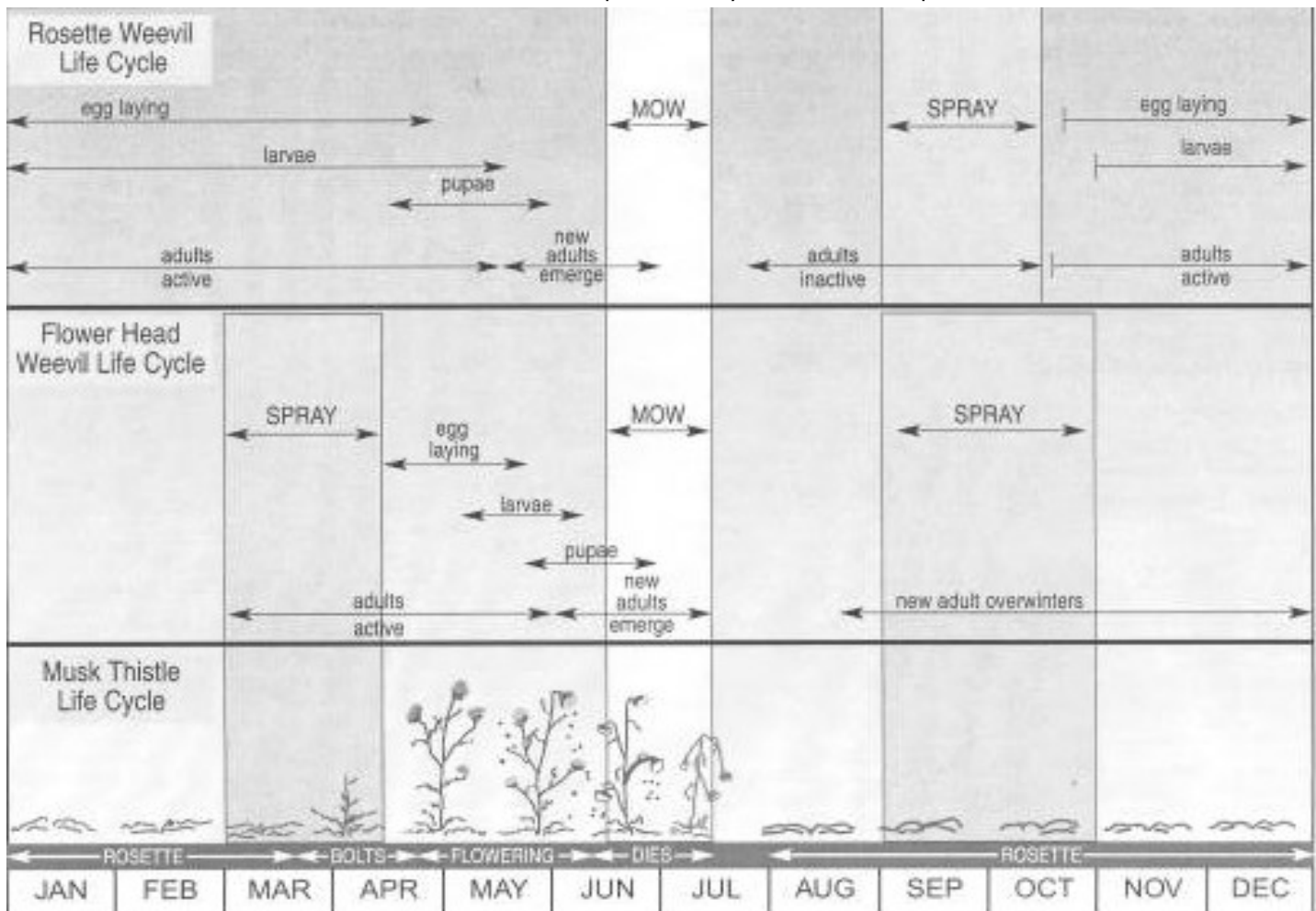
er: \$150.00 deposit-
\$100.00/day (\$50.00
clean-up)

Contact the District Office
at (870) 741-8600 x. 3 if
you are interested in
renting our equipment.



Lifecycle of the Musk Thistle

Integrated control schedule matching chemical and mechanical control with the life cycles of musk thistle and musk thistle weevils. Chart and information provided by the U of A Cooperative Extension Service.



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Products For Sale

Boone Cty Plat Books: \$40.00

Topo Maps of Boone Cty: \$10.00 each (sold by quads)

Filter Fabric: \$3.00/ linear foot

Newsletter Ad: \$50.00 a year (mailed out quarterly)

Tree Protectors: 18”-\$1.50 each 36”-\$2.25 each



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