

AGENDA
Tuesday, October 6, 2026

Session One

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| 10:00 – 12:00 p.m. | Registration/Exhibitor Set Up |
| 12:00 – 12:20 p.m. | Welcome and President Opening Remarks
Blake Gillespie
TVMA President
<i>ACRT- Dickson Electric</i> |
| 12:20 – 12:40 p.m. | Exhibitor Introductions and TDA Announcements |
| 12:40 – 1:40 p.m. | “SCOTUS Updates: How FIFRA will Affect States”
Dr. John D. Byrd, Jr.
Extension/Research Professor - Weed Science
<i>Mississippi State University</i> |
| 1:40 – 2:40 p.m. | “How Selective Herbicide Strategies Affect Trimming in the ROW”
Scott Wright
Territory Manager – <i>Corteva AgriScience</i> |
| 2:40 – 3:10 p.m. | Sponsored Snack Break in Exhibit Hall |
| 3:10 – 4:10 p.m. | “Controlling Tennessee Invasive Plants: Upland and Aquatic”
Katie Kilburn
Forestry Specialist – <i>TN Department of Agriculture</i> |
| 4:10 – 5:10 p.m. | “Aerial LiDAR vs. High Resolution UAV Imaging, Finding the Best Tools for Vegetation Management Planning”
Barry Hammond
Founder – <i>Line Intel</i> |
| 5:10 – 6:10 p.m. | Sponsored Evening Reception |

AGENDA
Wednesday, October 7, 2026

Session Two

- 6:30 – 6:50 a.m. **Member – led Devotional**, Open to everyone, optional
- 7:00 – 7:50 a.m. **Sponsored Breakfast and Coffee in Exhibit Hall**
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- 7:50 – 8:00 a.m. **Business Meeting/Financial Update & Scholarship Announcements**
Adam Morgan
TVMA Secretary Treasurer
Vice President of Sales - *ChemPro Services, Inc.*
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- 8:00 – 9:00 a.m. **“Resistance Management Best Practices: Identification on the ROW versus Other Sites”**
John Willis
Senior Early Development Specialist - *Envu*
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- 9:00 – 10:00 a.m. **“Safe Communication Protocols: Conflict Resolution on the ROW Vegetation Management” Doyle Totty**
Safety Director - *Dickson Electric Service*
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- 10:00 – 10:30 a.m. **Sponsored Break in Exhibit Hall**
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- 10:30 – 11:30 a.m. **“The Truth About Trade Negotiations: How Global Politics Affect the ROW Industry”**
Brian Blair
Territory Manager – *Tide International*
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- 11:30 – 12:30 p.m. **“Non-Traditional Contract Herbicide Applications for Utilities, Municipalities, and DOTs”**
Agronomist – *ChemPro Services, Inc*
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- 12:30 – 12:40 p.m. **6.5mm Creedmoor Raffle and Closing Comments**
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