

LERGREC Field Day Meeting Agenda- 2024
June 5th, 10am-2pm
662 Cemetery Rd, North East, PA 16428

A four-hour open house and meeting with one core credit in the morning and three category credits throughout the day providing growers with updated information and research in juice and wine grape production as well as best practices for pesticide application and precision agriculture methods in vineyards. Registration is free and lunch will be provided.

- **Sign-in and Welcome 9:45 AM**
- **Start: 10:00 AM (30 minutes) 1 core recertification credits**
 - **Title:** “Worker Protection Standard- What does compliance look like?”
 - **Speaker:** Joni Davis
 - **Description:** Inform-Protect-Mitigate the whole reason for the regulation is to make sure those who work for you know what they are being exposed to, how to protect themselves from that exposure and what to do if they are exposed to pesticides while working on the farm. During this talk you will learn what it takes to gain compliance and how to maintain it year after year.
- **10:40 AM (30 minutes) 1 category recertification credit**
 - **Title:** “Grape Disease Management Update”
 - **Speaker:** Bryan Hed
 - **Description:** Review of current grape disease development, potential grape disease threats for the remainder of the season, and recommendations as to how growers need to respond to those threats with the chemical and cultural disease control options available
- **11:20 AM (30 minutes for multiple options)**
 - **Booth 1**
 - **Title:** Spotted Lanternfly and Tree of Heaven Identification
 - **Speaker:** Dr. Flor Acevedo
 - **Description:** Hands-on demonstration booth with preserved specimens, with guidance on identification/management/scouting
 - **Booth 2**
 - **Title:** Business and Grant Programs
 - **Speaker:** Andrew Holden, Tom McClure, Ryan Nagoette
 - **Description:** LERGP Business management specialist Andrew Holden will be available to discuss upcoming regional business opportunities and Erie Conservation specialists will be available to talk about the process of applying to the PA VinES program
 - **Tour 1**
 - **Title:** LERGREG Research- Potato update
 - **Speaker:** Mike Campbell, Emily Dobry
 - **Description:** Walking tour to the LERGREG potato research grounds with updates on this new research
- **12:00 PM (Lunch)**

- **12:50 PM (30 minutes) 1 category recertification credit**
 - **Title:** “Viticulture during bloom- nutrient sampling and best practices”
 - **Speaker:** Dr. Cain Hickey or Jennifer Philips-Russo
 - **Description:** Demonstration and practical tips for performing plant tissue sampling, overview of timing, and rationale.
- **1:20 PM (30 minutes) 1 category recertification credit**
 - **Title:** “Pest Identification in Vineyards”
 - **Speaker:** Megan Luke and Kim Knappenberger
 - **Description:** Walking demonstration of scouting and identification techniques for insects, diseases, and weeds in the LERGREC vineyards. Discussion of why to scout, mapping vineyards for precision pest management, and how to assess management strategy efficacy over time.
- **2:00 PM End**