## JASPER CO. EXTENSION NEWSLETTER

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## FOREST PEST SEMINAR

#### February 9, 2024

8:00 - 3:30 Lufkin Convention Center 601 N 2nd St, Lufkin, TX 75901

Pre-Register by February 5, 2024

\$60 per participant \$250 per vendor

Pending Continuing Education Units: Wildlife Society: 5 CEUs ISA: 4.75 CEUs SAF: 5.5 Category 1 CFEs ProLogger: 5.5 CEUs Texas Accredited Forester: 5.5 CEUs Texas Department of Agriculture: 5 CEUs

#### ONLINE REGISTRATION AVAILABLE SCAN OR CODE





#### Participants

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### 2/15/2024

## Jasper & Newton Co TX LOCAL WORK GROUP LISTENING SESSION



#### Annual Local Work Group Meeting Outreach Event.

Your input is needed! Help determine natural resource priorities and criteria for USDA-NRCS conservation and programs planning for the upcoming fiscal year.

JOIN US FOR LUNCH... FREE ... with RSVP FOR LUNCH COUNT! (The count is helpful to staff!)

#### You are invited to:

- Jasper Newton Soil & Water Conservation District Monthly Meeting.
- ✓ Local Work Group: Help shape plans and future projects. Share your vision & questions about resource concerns.
- Landowner Information Session includes speakers from:
- USDA Natural Resource Conservation Service and Farm Service Agency.
- Texas A&M Agrilife Extension Service.
- Texas A&M Forest Service and Local Forestry Professionals.



USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service

www.tx.nrcs.usda.gov

TEXAS A&M

WHERE: Jasper Courthouse Annex in **Central Meeting Room located at** 

271 E Lamar Suite 101 (Enter from back of building on East Houston St)

DATE: Thurs, Feb 15, 2023

#### TIME:

JNSWCD Monthly Meeting at 10 AM Local Work Group Meeting at 11 AM Lunch at 12 PM Landowner Information Session 12:30 to 2 PM

RSVP for lunch contact: Julia McCormick @409.384.3332 ext 3



Jasper -Newton Conservation District



A request for accommodations for persons with disabilities should be made at least 48 hours before the meeting.



JASPER COUNTY AGRICULTURE PROGRAMS COMMITTEE

#### \*FREE PROGRAM\*

## Jasper County Ag & Wildlife Tax Valuation Night

## Night

PRESENTED BY: LORI BARNETT, JASPER COUNTY CHIEF APPRAISER

> MARCH 5, 2024 6 PM KIRYBVILLE, TX



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## **SPRING GARDEN**

January is the time to start thinking about your spring garden. This cold time of year is the perfect time to get your soil sampled, soil amended, seeds ordered (before they sell out), garden planned, and even starting transplants.

Soil Sample bags and forms can be obtained at the Jasper County Extension Office. Upon receiving soil sample results don't hesitate to call our office and get help in understanding what the soil sample says.

Starting your transplants. When we talk seed starting and transplants we are primarily focused on starting peppers and tomatoes indoors 6-8 weeks prior to the last frost date (*March 15*). When starting your seeds indoors a couple problems we typically face is overwatering your seedlings and not providing enough lighting this can lead to the soil growing mold, and your transplants becoming leggy.

If you want more information about starting a garden you can call the Extension Office for more information.



**UPDATED USDA Plant Hardiness Map** 



Leggy Seedling

#### EAST TEXAS VEGETABLE PLATNING GUIDE

#### Texas AgriLife Extension Service

#### County Extension Agent: Caitlin Gallegos

Crop	Date to Plant— Spring	Date to Plant—Fall	Seed/Plants per 100ft.	Inches of Planting Dis- tance	# of days before har- vest	Yield per 100 ft.	Average Days of Harvest
Asparagus	3/1-15	11/15	loz.	18	730	30 lbs.	60
Beans, Bush	3/10	8/1	1/2 ІЬ.	3-4	45-60	120 lbs.	14
Beans, Pole	3/10	8/1	1/2 ІЬ.	4-6	60-70	150 lbs.	30
Beans, Lima	3/10	8/1	1/4 Іь.	3-4	80	50 lbs.	40
Beets	2/20	8/1	1 oz.	2	50-60	150 lbs.	30
Broccoli	2/15	7/15	1/4 oz.	14-24	60-80	100 lbs.	40
Brussel Sprouts	2/15	7/10	1/4 oz.	14-24	90-100	75 lbs.	21
Cabbage	2/15	8/1	1/4 oz.	14-24	60-90	150 lbs.	40
Cabbage, Chinese	2/15	8/1	1/4 oz.	8-12	65-70	80 hds.	21
Carrots	2/20	7/1	1/2 oz.	2	70-80	100 lbs.	21
Cauliflower	2/15	7/1	1/4 oz.	14-24	70-90	100 lbs.	14
Chard, Swiss	2/15	7/1	2 oz.	6	45-55	75 lbs.	40
Collard, Kale	2/15	7/1	1/4 oz.	8-16	50-80	100 lbs.	60
Corn, Sweet	3/1	6/1	3-4 oz.	12-18	70-90	10 dz.	10
Cucumber	4/1-15	-	1/2 oz.	24-28	50-70	120 lbs.	30
Eggplant	4/1-15	8/1	1/8 oz.	18-24	80-90	100 lbs.	90
Garlic	2/15	11/15	1 lb.	2-4	140-150	40 lbs.	-
Lettuce	3/1	7/15	1/4 oz.	2-3	40-80	50 lbs.	21
Mustard	3/15	7/15	1/4 oz.	6-12	30-40	100 lbs.	30
Okra	4/15	-	2 oz.	24	55-65	100 lbs.	90
Onion (plants)	2/15	9/1	400-600 plants	2-3	80-120	100 lbs.	40
Parsley	3/1	7/15	1/4 oz.	2-4	70-90	30 lbs.	90
Peas, English	1/15	7/1	1 ІЬ.	1	55-90	20 lbs.	7
Peas, Southern	4/15	7/1	1/2 ІЬ.	4-6	60-70	40 lbs.	30
Pepper	4/1	7/1	1/8 oz.	18-24	60-90	60 lbs.	90
Potatoes, Irish	2/1-15	6/15	6-10 lbs.	10-15	75-100	100 lbs.	-
Potatoes, Sweet	4/1-5/1	-	75-100 plants	12-16	100-130	100 lbs.	-
Pumpkin	5/15	8/1	1/2 oz.	36-48	75-100	100 lbs.	-
Radish	3/1	7/1-10/10	1 oz.	1	25-40	100 bchs.	7
Spinach	2/1-3/15	8/1	1 oz.	3-4	40-60	3 bus.	40
Squash, Summer	3/1-15	7/15	1 oz.	18-38	50-60	150 lbs.	40
Squash, Winter	4/1-15	-	1/2 oz.	24-48	85-100	100 lbs.	-
Tomato	3/1-15	7/15	1/8 oz.	18-38	70-90	100 lbs.	40
Turnip	2/20	7/15	1/2 oz.	2-3	30-60	50-100 lbs.	30-40
Watermelon (transplant seeds)	3/15	-	1/2 oz.	36-96	80-100	40 frt.	30
Watermelon (hybrids, bush types)	3/25	7/15	1/2 oz.	36-96	75-100	40 frt.	30

# Local Groups



## Jasper County 4-H

4-H is the largest youth development program in Texas for students ages 5-18. Projects range from raising livestock, photography, robotics, and so much more. Jasper County has four clubs: Brookeland 4-H, Buna 4-H, Helping Hands 4-H, & Kirbyville 4-H.

The new year starts over every September, costs per student is \$25 for the year.

Contact the Extension Office for more information!



## **Jasper County Master Gardeners**

Master Gardeners are members of the local community who take an active interest in their lawns, trees, shrubs, flowers and gardens. They are enthusiastic, willing to learn and to help others, and able to communicate with diverse groups of people.

What really sets Master Gardeners apart from other home gardeners is their special training in horticulture. In exchange for their training, persons who become Master Gardeners contribute time as volunteers, working through their Extension Office to provide horticultural related information to their communities

Contact the Extension Office for more information



## Longleaf Ridge Master Naturalists

The natural Texas is home to all of us, no matter where we live. The natural Texas, the real Texas, is still to be found all across our great state - from the wilds of rural areas to the squirrels in a city park to a wildflower in our back yard.

But as Texas grows more urban, we hurry to keep up with hectic pace of urban and even suburban life. And we don't take time to notice, enjoy, and ultimately conserve the natural resources all around us.

Through the Texas Master Naturalists volunteer program, you can help children and adults in your community learn about Texas's natural resources, inspire them to a new appreciation of their environment, and insure that others will be able to enjoy the natural Texas for years to come.

Contact the Extension Office for more information