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CEUs

The programs below have been approved for CEUs by the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services. You will also find a link on the FAAA website for CEU articles.

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2015 PAASS Program & FAAA Meeting **October 13, 2015 \$200 per attendee RSVP by October 9**

We have scheduled our South Florida PAASS Program for October 13, 2015 at the Sugar Co-op Meeting Room in Belle Glade. We will begin at 8:00 AM. The program has been approved for 3 Aerial CEUs and 1 Core CEU. Following the PAASS Presentation lunch will be served and our FAAA meeting will begin.

We encourage each of you to attend. We were unable to have our meeting in Savannah as scheduled, so this meeting is important to get some of our annual business completed.

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2015 Operation SAFE **October 27, 2015 \$200 per airplane & \$50 per person RSVP by October 23**

Our annual South Florida Operation SAFE is scheduled for October 27, 2015 beginning at 8:00 AM with set up, and flights beginning at 9:00 AM. We will break for lunch at noon, then continue with test flights and evaluations until all are completed. Operation SAFE has been approved for 4 Aerial CEUs.

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2015 NAAA ASABE Technical Session **December 7, 2015**

The NAAA ASABE Technical Session has been approved for 2½ Aerial CEUs. The NAAA annual convention is being held in Savannah at the Savannah International Trade Center on December 7-10, 2015.



October 13, 2015 \$200 per person

8:00 AM – 12:00 PM NAAA PAASS (Professional Aerial Applicators' Support System)

**Presenters: Doug Thiel, Chowchilla CA
Brian Rau, Medina, ND**

“Upon the Performance of Each Rests the Fate of All”

The 18th annual 2015-2016 PAASS Program

Florida CEUs Approved: 3 Aerial 1 Core

Agricultural Facility Security – This module will stress the importance of facility security using the Ag Airfield Watch program, similar to the neighborhood watch concept to keep ag operations secure and safeguard their crop protection chemicals and application-related equipment.

Human Factors in Agricultural Aviation - This module will address fatigue, an ongoing problem for aerial applicators working long hours. The NTSB has identified fatigue management as an important threat to ag pilots. Dr. Mark J. Ivey, a senior Air Medical Examiner and expert in sleep medicine will present insights into the effect of fatigue on a pilot's ability to perform tasks required to safely operate an aircraft.

Spray Drift Mitigation-“Putting the Brakes on Misapplication II” – This module will follow the investigation of crop damage incidents and research the cause. This module located a sampling of events for an in-depth look at why these events might have happened and what could be done to prevent their occurrence. Not all damage claims are the result of wind drift – many are the result of spraying during temperature inversion conditions; applying to the wrong field; using the wrong chemical; mixing contaminated loads; or improper identification of adjacent crops to the target field. PAASS will present possible solutions to head off some of these potential problems.

Hangar Flying Module - 2015 agricultural accidents will be discussed. Other topics covered are jettisoning a load in an emergency; how will ag operators be affected by FAA mandated use of ADS-B in certain airspace by the year 2020; and will ADS-B be able to reduce the chance of a mid-air collision between aircraft or with an Unmanned Aerial Vehicle.

**12:00 PM Lunch served
1:00 PM FAAA Business Meeting**

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South Florida Operation SAFE Fly-in

\$200 per airplane & \$50 per person

October 27, 2015

4 Aerial CEUs approved

October 28, 2015 will be scheduled for additional flights or in the event of bad weather on October 27.

(To be held at)

Clewiston Airglades, 3200 Airglades Blvd., Clewiston, FL 33440 (Hendry County)

Tuesday, October 27, 2015

7:00 – 7:30 AM Arrive airport

8:00 - 9:00 AM Setup equipment line collector and data systems

9:00 – 12:00 PM Test and analyze aircraft

12:00 Lunch

Scott Bretthauer – Extension Specialist, Pesticide Safety Education, Department of
Agricultural and Biological Engineering, University of Illinois

Aircraft Calibration and Spray Drift – 20 min.

Understanding SAFE Fly-In Reports – 30 min.

1:30 PM – 4:30 PM Fly-in resumes until one of the following

Dark

No aircraft

Weather causes termination of operations

An Operation S.A.F.E. fly-in clinic is a unique program in that it includes pattern testing and droplet size testing for the aircraft and equipment along with instruction for pilot. Professional analysis of each application is performed by a trained analyst, who can then provide the pilot with recommended changes to improve performance. Follow up testing can be done to insure there is improvement in the application. S.A.F.E. trained analysts are dedicated to improving application and reducing the risk of spray drift.

The goals of Operation S.A.F.E. (Self-regulating Application and Flight Efficiency) are

1. Reduce risk of drift
2. Improved performance and application accuracy
3. Increased safety
4. Reduced environmental and health concerns
5. Uniform spray pattern
6. Optimal swath determined
7. Correct droplet size
8. Ability to test new equipment for accuracy
9. Solve equipment problems before season starts

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