

Master Irrigator Registration Form

Return this form and payment to:
North Plains GCD, Master Irrigator
PO Box 795
Dumas, TX 79029

OR register online at
www.northplainsgcd.org/masterirrigator

Name: _____

Address: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Email: _____

About your operation

Location (county): _____

Producer Other (_____)

EQIP Eligible? Yes No

Currently filing production reports with

North Plains GCD? Yes No

Crops produced, in acres:

____ Acres of Corn Acres of Wheat

____ Acres of Sorghum Acres of Cotton

____ Acres of Other (_____)

\$100 registration fee can be paid by:

Check enclosed (Payable to North Plains GCD)

Mastercard Visa Discover

Card Number: _____

Exp: ___/___ Billing ZIP: _____ CVC: _____

*Great class on irrigation practices
with leading edge technology
presented by top people in their field.*
- Tommy Cartrite
Master Irrigator Graduate

Master Irrigator is an award-winning intensive irrigation management training presented by North Plains Groundwater Conservation District. Graduates are armed with knowledge and skills that will help them maximize their return on investment while minimizing water use.



Register now for the 2020 class!

March 25
Agronomics

April 1
Irrigation Scheduling

April 8
Systems

April 15
Systems & Special Topics

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Educational programs of the North Plains GCD are open to all people without regard to race, color, sex, disability, religion, age, or national origin.



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Learn more and apply now at
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The training should continue for future growers. We as farmers have no choice but to improve efficiency and take care of our soils and water.
- Master Irrigator Graduate 2019



Great program that really puts complicated terms and practices into simple and easy to understand concepts of farming.
- Jose Gonzales
Master Irrigator Graduate 2019



What is Master Irrigator?

Master Irrigator is an award-winning irrigation management training program made up of 24 hours of intensive irrigation education conducted over four sessions, all on consecutive Wednesdays. The program is focused on increasing understanding of and proficiency with the latest irrigation management tools, technologies, and practices. Armed with this knowledge, you will be able to select tools and strategies that fit your operation that can be implemented to maximize your return on investment for every drop of water.

Access to Funding & Support

Thanks to grants from the Texas Water Development Board, Master Irrigator graduates may qualify for cost share funds on approved conservation practices. Perfect attendance is required to qualify for EQIP funding and to graduate from the course.

In-season technical support will be available to each cost-share recipient to ensure strategies are being optimally implemented.

Master Irrigator is financially supported by the North Plains Groundwater Conservation District in cooperation with TWDB and industry sponsors.



✓ Founding Principles of Master Irrigator

✓ Tools and practices are accessible to producers

✓ Panels of producers offer real-world experience

✓ Solutions presented are practical, not theoretical

Topics addressed include...

- Planting drought-resistant hybrids at appropriate seeding rates
- Monitoring field conditions using rain gauges, flow meters, and soil moisture probes
- Managing irrigation with planting dates, eliminating or reducing pre-irrigation
- High-efficiency system conversion and pivot control
- Using telemetry and tools for irrigation scheduling
- Managing crop residue by using conservation tillage practices
- Adjusting nutrient application to address reduced irrigation
- Economic implications of all strategies being presented

Who can participate?

Any irrigator can apply but priority is given to producers within the boundaries of the North Plains Groundwater Conservation District.

Applications are accepted through March 13, 2020, or until the class is full.

Program Instructors

Steve Amosson, PhD
Retired, Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service

Fred Vocasek
Servi-Tech

David Reinart
Better Harvest, Inc

Kelly Kettner
Parmer County Producer

Keith Sides
USDA - Natural Resources Conservation Service

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USDA-Natural Resources Conservation Service

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Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service

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GroGuru

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