

# Master Irrigator Registration Form

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North Plains GCD, Master Irrigator  
PO Box 795  
Dumas, TX 79029

OR register online at  
[www.northplainsgcd.org/masterirrigator](http://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

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*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 2021 class!

March 24  
Agronomics

## March 31 Irrigation Scheduling

April 7  
Systems

April 14  
Systems & Special Topics

**[www.northplainsqcd.org/masterirrigator](http://www.northplainsqcd.org/masterirrigator)**



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

**Texas Water  
Development Board**

**Applications are now being accepted  
for the 2021 Master Irrigator program!**

March 24	Agronomics
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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, 2021, 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
- Mike Caldwell  
USDA-Natural Resources Conservation Service
- Jourdan Bell, PhD  
Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service
- David Sloane, PhD  
GroGuru
- Scott Strawn  
Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service
- Danny Krienke  
Ochiltree County Producer
- Leon New  
Retired, Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service
- Nicholas Kenny  
Owner, NPK Ag, LLC
- Joe O'Brien  
Reinke Manufacturing, Inc.
- Kylen Hunt  
Reinke Manufacturing, Inc.
- Trace Ulrich  
Regional Sales Manager, Conservis
- Jeff Childs  
Yaskawa America, Inc.
- John Gibson  
Crop Quest
- Bryce Howard  
Dallam County Producer
- Jerry Funck  
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