

## Agenda for Warm-Season Grass Training

Date: July 31, 2008

Time: 10:00-3:00

Location: Plant Materials Center, Big Flats, New York—3266A RT 352, Corning, NY 14830

10:00 Introductions, housekeeping items,  
Plant Material Program, and available resources

10:15 Selection, Establishment, and Uses

1. Cool vs. warm season grasses
2. Species and cultivar selection
3. Seeding methods
4. Establishment considerations

10:45 Seed Handling

1. Ordering seed, understanding seed tags, PLS, and dormant seed
2. Pre-planting treatments

11:00 Weed control and maintenance

1. Herbicide use prior to and during establishment
2. Herbicide management

11:20 *BREAK*

11:35 DEC Mine reclamation and Fish & Wildlife experience – Mike Meyers

12:00 *LUNCH - Either bring your own or will need to go off facility nearby to obtain*

1:00 Field ID of mature warm season grasses & seedling ID

1. Identification of seedlings
2. Evaluate new and established plantings
3. ID of mature warm-season grasses
4. Making seed collections for the Plant Materials Program

1:30-2:30 Operation and Calibration of seed drill

1. Hand book method (using seed balance)
2. Calibration in the field
3. Calibrating for seed mixes

2:30 Wrap-up & Questions

Please **RSVP** with the number attending by Thursday, July 24<sup>th</sup>, by calling 607-562-8404, or emailing [julie.depue@ny.usda.gov](mailto:julie.depue@ny.usda.gov). Put DOT WSG in subject line. This will assist us in planning the details.

**Directions:** Take Route 17 (I 86) to Exit 48 (East Corning/Route 352). Follow Route 352 east for 1.5 miles. PMC entrance is on the left.

For information on facilities, services, or to request sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids contact Julie at least 10 days prior to the meeting.