



Soil & Water Information Day

GrandWay Event Centre
7445 Wellington County Rd 21
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Tuesday, November 18, 2025
9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.



Agenda

Morning Session

- 9:00 a.m. **Welcome** – Nicole Weber, Ontario CCA Board Chair
- 9:15 a.m. **“Creating a Cost-Effective Measurement, Verification and Reporting (MRV) System to Unlock Payments for Soil Carbon”**– Dr. Hiteshkumar Vasava, University of Guelph
- 10:00 a.m. **“Assessment of Agricultural Soil Compaction by Implement Traffic”** – Dr. Olatunbosun Ayetan, University of Guelph
- 10:45 a.m. Break
- 11:00 a.m. **“Huronview Demonstration Farm: 2019 Drainage Innovation Updates”** – Mari Veliz, Ausable Bayfield Conservation Authority and Rick Kootstra, Kootstra Farms Ltd.
- 11:35 a.m. **“Revolutionizing Plant and Soil Health”** – Jana Tain, CEO/Co-founder, and Tanya Franklin, Founding Agronomist, Upside Robotics
- 12:15 p.m. Lunch Break

Afternoon Session

- 1:00 p.m. Reconvene – Nicole Weber
- 1:00 p.m. **“How Cover Cropping Impacts Soil Nitrogen Availability and Organic Matter”** – Dr. Yajun Peng, University of Guelph
- 1:45 p.m. **“The Impact of Cover Cropping on Phosphorus Loss from Ontario Croplands”** - Kokulan Vivekananthan, Water Quality Specialist, OSCIA
- 2:30 p.m. **“Keeping Poop in the Loop - Maximizing the value of organic amendment use”** – Christine Brown, Sustainability Specialist Field Crops, OMAFA
- 3:15 p.m. Concluding remarks and feedback sheets
- Adjourn

For participating CCAs, 5.0 CEUs in SWQ are available.