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Sorghum Connection Launches Second Year of Comprehensive Winter Educational Series

MANHATTAN, Kan. (Oct. 29, 2025) –The Sorghum Connection Series, a collaboration between the Kansas Grain Sorghum Commission (KGSC), K-State Research & Extension, and the K-State Department of Plant Pathology, announces its second year of comprehensive winter educational series focused on enhancing the profitability of sorghum producers across the state.

Following this year's field day events, which welcomed over 120 growers, Sorghum Connection offers an additional series of multiple one-day events across Central and Western Kansas. The events are scheduled for Dec. 3 at the South Hutchinson Community Building in Hutchinson; Dec. 4 at the Buffalo Bill Cultural Center in Oakley; and Dec. 5 at the Hy-Plains Feedyard in Montezuma.

Attendees will receive valuable data-driven information from industry leaders from K-State, the United Sorghum Checkoff Program, and many others on key topics for both grain and forage sorghum including, but not limited to: effectively managing forage sorghum in water-limited silage; enhancing sorghum digestibility for cattle; integrating weed management; and, achieving overarching strategies for optimum yield and profitability. The program also looks to the future of the sorghum crop system, covering advancements like application of spray drones in precision agriculture and highlighting farmer-directed crop improvement breakthroughs.

"The data and strategies we share through Sorghum Connection, whether it's maximizing yield through fungicide application or fine-tuning cropping systems, are immediately actionable on the farm." said Dr. Rodrigo Onofre, K-State Row Crops Extension Specialist. "Sorghum growers need a space to connect, learn the latest disease management techniques, and stay at the forefront of the industry's profitability trends. We strongly encourage every producer to take advantage of this unique opportunity to grow their success for the future."

Each event will begin with registration at 9:30 a.m. and will conclude at 2:30 p.m. There is no cost to attend, but RSVPs are required. To register or learn more about these events, visit www.ksgrainsorghum.org/sorghum-connection.

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