

**PCG Annual Meeting Scheduled for April 6**

Friday, March 2, 2018 By Mary Jane Buerkle  
Plains Cotton Growers, Inc., will host their 61<sup>st</sup> Annual Meeting on Friday, April 6, 2018 in the Banquet Hall of the Lubbock Memorial Civic Center.

Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. with registration, and the program will start promptly at 9 a.m. The meeting is held in conjunction with the Texas Cotton Ginners' Association Annual Meeting and Trade Show, April 5-6, 2018, in Lubbock. For more information on the TCGA Annual Meeting and Trade Show, visit <http://www.tga.org/>.

Current PCG president Johnie Reed, who farms near Kress, Texas, will preside over the meeting and PCG Executive Vice President Steve Verett will report on the status of PCG operations and activities. An award recognizing the 2017 High Plains Cotton Agent of the Year also will be presented at the meeting.

Bruce Atherley, executive director of Cotton Council International, will report on CCI's export promotion activities. The program will feature an update on the Plains Cotton Growers, Inc. PAC and an announcement about the 2018 Celebrate Cotton Game.

Breakfast will be served at 7:30 a.m., sponsored by Monsanto/Deltapine. Lunch, sponsored by Bayer CropScience/FiberMax/Stoneville, will follow the meeting.

There is no charge to attend and no RSVP is necessary. Additional information about PCG and the Annual Meeting can be found at <http://www.plainscotton.org>.

**Upcoming Auxin-Specific Herbicide Trainings**  
See the list at [plainscotton.org](http://plainscotton.org)

**PCG Schedules Information Sessions About New Seed Cotton Program**

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About 100 growers, lenders, landowners and industry leaders attended PCG's first Seed Cotton Information Session today at Plains Cotton Cooperative Association, showing great interest in learning more about recently passed legislation that defines Seed Cotton as a covered commodity eligible for Title I ARC or PLC programs in the 2014 Farm Bill for the 2018 crop year.

PCG has scheduled six other meetings throughout the month of March:

PCG Regional Information Session #2 - **Seminole**  
**Date: Monday, March 5, 2018**  
Location: Gaines County Community Center, 853 US HWY 385 North, about 7 miles north of Seminole in Gaines County Park  
Time: 8:30am - 12:00pm  
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PCG Regional Information Session #3 - **Lamesa**  
**Date: Saturday, March 24, 2018**  
Location: Forrest Park Community Center, 900 S. Houston Ave, Lamesa  
Time: 8:30am - 12:00pm  
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PCG Regional Information Session #4 - **Plainview**  
**Date: Monday, March 26, 2018**  
Location: Ollie Liner Center, 2000 S. Columbia St., Plainview  
Time: 8:30am - 12:00pm  
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PCG Regional Information Session #5 - **Muleshoe**  
**Date: Tuesday, March 27, 2018**  
Location: Bailey County Electric Cooperative - Community Room, 610 E. American Blvd, Muleshoe  
Time: 8:30am - 12:00pm  
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PCG Regional Information Session #6 - **Amarillo**  
**Date: Thursday, March 29, 2018**  
Location: AgTexas Farm Credit Services - Amarillo, 2001 S. Soncy Road, Amarillo  
Time: 8:30am - 12:00pm  
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PCG Regional Information Session #7 - **Dumas**  
**Date: Friday, March 30, 2018**  
Location: 8th Street Event Center, 420 W. 8th Street, Dumas  
Time: 8:30am - 12:00pm  
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For more information and resources, visit <http://www.plainscotton.org/18SeedCottonInfo.html> or call PCG at (806) 792-4904.

**2018 PCG Seed Cost Calculator Now Available**

Friday, March 2, 2018 By Mary Jane Buerkle  
The 2018 version of the Plains Cotton Growers, Inc. Seed Cost Calculator is ready and available for download from the PCG website at <http://www.plainscotton.org>.

The PCG seed cost calculator is an interactive Microsoft Excel spreadsheet that allows producers to calculate an estimated cost per acre, for both seed and technology, based on published suggested retail prices.

The calculator has become a popular tool among producers interested in comparing seed and technology prices as they work to finalize their cotton variety selections.

The 2018 version of the spreadsheet includes recently updated listings for 116 conventional, Roundup Ready FLEX, XtendFlex, GlyTol, Bollgard II, TwinLink, Enlist and Widestrike varieties, including numerous stacked gene versions of these technologies that will be available for sale in West Texas in 2018.

Questions about the seed cost calculator can be directed to Shawn Wade at (806) 792-4904 or [shawn@plainscotton.org](mailto:shawn@plainscotton.org).