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**CALL-FOR-PAPERS
2017 BELTWIDE COTTON CONFERENCES
Hyatt Regency Dallas
Dallas, Texas January 4-6**

TO: Participants, Beltwide Cotton Research Conferences

FROM: Dale Thompson, Coordinator, Beltwide Cotton Conferences

The call for papers opens August 1, 2016, for the 2017 Beltwide Cotton Conferences (BWCC), set for January 4-6 (Wednesday–Friday) in Dallas, Texas. Those wanting to provide an oral or poster presentation at this forum must complete a [request to present](#) where you will be prompted for the research (technical) conference, title, authors and their affiliation, and a brief description of the paper or poster.

The research conferences will take place all day Thursday, January 5 and conclude at noon on Friday, January 6. For any questions regarding a specific conference, please contact the appropriate chairperson. The [BWCC website](#) contains information regarding [conference descriptions/chairpersons](#). This website will be updated periodically with such information as [meeting registration](#), [hotel reservations](#) and [Dallas attractions and dining](#).

The research conferences hold a poster session in addition to oral presentations. Those wanting to present a poster, must indicate this on the request to present form. [Poster instructions](#) also are available on the BWCC website.

The deadline for submitting a request to present (oral and poster) is October 16, 2016. After submitting a presentation request, you and your conference chairperson automatically will receive an email acknowledgement. If your paper is accepted, notifications, along with the tentative date and time of your presentation, will be emailed to both of you by November 10, 2016.

If you would like to request an opportunity to present a paper in the New Developments from Industry session, please complete a request to present in [New Developments](#). This special session is open for reports (10 minute presentations) on new developments that show promise for cotton production and harvesting -- new varieties, fertilizers, crop protection tools, equipment, etc. [See Guidelines and Restrictions Section](#).

Please note:

Time Allotted for Presentations – 15 minutes is allocated per oral presentation in the research conferences. However, presentations should be limited to 12 minutes to accommodate discussion.

Description – A description is required during the process of submitting your title. The description should include a short statement of justification, objective, materials and methods, and results (if available). The description will not be published in the proceedings. The description's primary purpose is to ensure the paper is presented in the correct conference and to provide details for the Confex scheduling tools.

Manuscripts – Abstracts or full papers are requested for the conference proceedings. Manuscripts may be uploaded prior to the meeting, but must be submitted no later than Wednesday, January 20, 2017. [Manuscript instructions](#), [checklist](#), [template](#) and [example documents](#) are available on the BWCC web site.

Registration Fee -- All participants, including speakers and poster presenters, must pay the conference registration fee.