Potential Motions

Continuing Educational Areas Booklet

Motion: To approve the new ICCA continuing educational areas booklet as presented.

Description: The booklet was edited by a team of CCAs who have been on or are on local boards or the ICCA board. They did their work earlier this year in anticipation of this meeting. They also added the Specialties.

Self – Directed Study CEUs

Motion: To approve self-directed study CEUs.

Description – A CCA would submit a proposal to the local board for approval describing a project they will conduct and how many CEUs they would like to claim for the project. Once the project is completed the CCA would submit a report to the local board for approval and to earn the CEUs.

CCA Self-Directed Study CEU Example:

Introduction:

The addition of composts in citrus groves has been revisited by growers as part of a root health program in HLB compromised citrus groves. High biomass producing cover crops that can grow in row middles without irrigation offer an alternative or combined approach with composts as method to amend low organic soils in citrus groves.

Spreading composts and use of cover crops have both been standard practices for Florida citrus production in the past and previous documentation of the potential for different cover crops provides several options for growers to consider.

This project will compare 4 programs within a uniform block of citrus.

1. Standard Fertilization and vegetation practices consisting of herbicide weed control down the tree row and mowed middles with clippings side discharged into the tree row

2. Standard Fertilization program and vegetation practices as in Treatment 1 plus the addition of 4 tons of compost broadcast per acre
3. Standard Fertilization and vegetation practices as in Treatment 1, Plus Hairy Indigo grown as a cover crop in the middles.

4. Same as treatment 3 + the application of 2 tons of compost broadcast per acre.

Evaluations:

1. Observations on Overall tree appearance and weed pressure in both tree rows and middles.

2. One representative row from each treatment mowed and baled on one cutting to compare OM contributions (a more thorough evaluation would include root mass at the end of the summer/early fall but not for this comparison)

3. Yield and internal fruit quality from 10 trees in each treatment.

Summary report including data collection and conclusions required for CCA credits.