Certified Professional Agronomist (CPAg) Specialty Certification
Continuing Education Requirements

The ICCA Continuing Education Committee (CEC) reviewed the CPAg CEU requirements as approved by the ICCA Board in March. The CEC pretty much left the requirements as they were approved except for some procedural details being added and the need to add a seventh category to allow for efficient tracking of CEUs. Review of what was approved for CPAg CEUs.

No changes to the CCA CEU requirements.

CPAg CEU requirements will be:

Total CEUs: 50

Cycle length: Two years, calendar based

Content based category requirements:

Nutrient Management - minimum 5 CEUs

Soil and Water Management - minimum 5 CEUs

<u>Integrated Pest Management</u> – minimum 5 CEUs

<u>Crop Management</u> – minimum 5 CEUs

<u>Professional Development</u> – minimum 5 CEUs, [economics, computer skills, marketing skills, time/organizational management, business courses, presentation skills, relationship development, etc.]

<u>Professional Service</u> – minimum 5 CEUs, includes the current CPAg author/educational materials and community service categories. The "service" must be related to the agronomy profession including serving on professional boards and committees, city/town/county boards/committees. The "education" materials

must be about agronomy and directed towards those aspiring to become or are agronomists including scientific papers, popular articles and preparing educational materials.

<u>Professional Study</u> – no minimum, includes the current CPAg self directed study category. [scientific journals, (reported by the article, 1 CEU = about 2,500 words), books, videos (1 CEU = 2X the run time)]