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TO: Forage Sorghum Seed Companies

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Colorado State University promotes crop variety testing as a service to Colorado's crop producers who depend on us for unbiased and reliable crop variety performance information to make better sorghum variety selection decisions. We take pride in producing results that can be trusted as we maintain high standards for reporting and trial integrity. Results of the trials are published on the Colorado State University Crops Testing website and in the annual Technical Report. The results of the sorghum performance trials conducted in 2022 can be found on-line [here](#).

In 2023, there will be three forage sorghum trials: Rocky Ford and Fruita (limited-irrigated) and Walsh (dryland). The entry fee is \$400 per entry per location and we request 1 pound of seed per entry per site. A forage nutrient analysis will be done at Dairyland Labs for each entry and will include relative feed quality, crude protein, total digestible nutrients, net energy values, acid and neutral detergent fibers, and total digestible nutrients. Other data that will be collected and reported includes forage yield, plant lodging (if applicable), and plant height.

The Excel entry form can be filled out and returned by attaching it to an email to sally.jones@colostate.edu and candace.talbert@colostate.edu. If you are interested in having us conduct dedicated company sorghum trials (agronomy or others) please contact Sally Jones-Diamond at (970) 214-4611.

We ask that all entries be treated with an insecticide containing product such as clothianidin (Poncho), imidacloprid, or thiamethoxam (Cruiser), along with a herbicide safener such as fluxofenim (Concep III).

The completed entry form is due on or before April 3, 2023. The entry fee is \$400 per entry per location, and the payment is due on or before April 24, 2023.

**Send payments
(payable to Colorado State University) to:**

CSU Crops Testing Program
1170 Campus Delivery
Fort Collins, CO 80523-1170

Phone: (970) 214-4611
Email: sally.jones@colostate.edu

For all trials, send seed to:

Ed Asfeld
Crops Testing Program
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Seed should arrive in Akron by April 24, 2023.
Please send a minimum of 1 pound/entry for each trial location.