

Sorghum U/ Wheat U event to be held August 13 in Wichita

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Kansas Wheat

Take a break from the Kansas heat and join Kansas Wheat at High Plains Journal's Sorghum U/Wheat U event on Tuesday, August 13, at the DoubleTree by Hilton in Wichita.

"Kansas Wheat looks forward to Sorghum U/Wheat U each year as an educational event designed to help producers make their operations more efficient, effective and profitable," said Kansas Wheat CEO Justin Gilpin. "Through breakout sessions and producer panels, the event addresses current challenges and trends in technology, management practices and marketing. All attendees will head home with information they can immediately put into practice."

sandwiches, coffee and a producer panel discussion featuring sorghum and wheat producers, including Kansas Association of Wheat Growers' Vice President, Chris Tanner, from Norton.

Breakout sessions throughout the day will provide additional opportunities for producers to hear the latest in wheat research, technology and management recommendations. Dalton Henry, vice president of trade policy with U.S. Wheat Associates, will discuss changes in wheat seed technology and policy implications for global trade. Romulo Lollato, K-State Research and Extension wheat and forage specialist will provide a rundown of this year's wheat harvest and varietal and practice considerations as Kansas farmers prepare to plant wheat this fall.

Kelsey Andersen Onofre, assistant professor

of plant pathology in K-State's College of Agriculture, will provide updates on the diseases that impacted the 2024 wheat crop. She will also discuss the need for disease management following spring and summer rains, especially the need to control volunteer wheat early and throughout the fall to prevent Wheat Streak Mosaic Virus (WSMV) infections in the following wheat crop.

Additional breakout sessions will cover topics specific to sorghum, including how to manage sorghum fertility to maximize profitability, the National Sorghum Producers climate-smart sustainability program and emerging markets.

During a complimentary lunch, keynote speaker Matt Hines, a licensed commodity broker and risk management consultant with Lowen & Associates, will provide a market outlook for the wheat

and sorghum markets. Kansas Wheat and Kansas Grain Sorghum will also provide updates on the top issues each commodity is working to address at the regional, state and national levels.

Sorghum U/Wheat U is sponsored by High Plains Journal, Kansas Grain Sorghum Commission, Kansas Wheat, United Sorghum Checkoff Program, DoubleTeam Sorghum Cropping Solution, Kauffman Seed, Heartland Soil Services, Conklin AgroVantage and American AgCredit.

View the full agenda for Sorghum U/Wheat U and pre-register to reserve a free lunch at www.hpj.com/suwu/. Registrations are encouraged by Friday, July 26, to help with meal counts, but late and on-site registrations will be offered. Continuing education credits are also available for certified crop advisors.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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NOTICE OF TOWNSHIP BUDGET HEARINGS

The governing bodies of the Decatur County Township Boards will meet on Tuesday, August 12, 2024 at 8 pm at the below listed homes for the purpose of hearing and answering objections of taxpayers relating to the proposed use of all funds and the amount of Ad Valorem Tax. Detailed Budget Information is available at the Office of the Decatur County Clerk and will be available at these hearings. Proposed Budget 2025 Expenditures and Amount of current year estimate for 2024 Ad Valorem Tax establish the maximum limits of the 2025 Budget. Estimated Tax Rate* is subject to change depending on the final assessed valuations.

FUND	2023		2024		Proposed Budget 2025		
	Prior Year Actual Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate	Current Year Estimate of Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate	Amount of 2024 Ad Valorem Tax	Est. Tax Rate*	Revenue Neutral Rate
General	4,076	6.628	28,975	6.996	33,700	10.675	7.480
Road	13,873	12.218	36,975	12.898	42,075	19.680	13.791
Spec Road			297		297		
TOTALS	17,949	18.846	65,950	19.894	76,072	30.355	21.271

Total Tax Levied: 30,351 (2023), 1,610,505 (2024), 30,355 (2024 Est.), 1,525,814 (2024 Est.)
Valuation: 1,610,505 (2024)
Trustee - Russell Cressler, Treasurer - Home of Mary Cressler, Clerk - Amber Roach
There is NO Debt Service for this Township.

FUND	2023		2024		Proposed Budget 2025		
	Prior Year Actual Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate	Current Year Estimate of Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate	Amount of 2024 Ad Valorem Tax	Est. Tax Rate*	Revenue Neutral Rate
General	5,233	2.688	17,950	2.789	68,800	6.830	2.756
Road	40,160	15.971	31,525	16.560	55,820	27.435	16.775
TOTALS	45,393	18.659	49,475	19.349	124,620	34.265	19.531

Total Tax Levied: 34,261 (2023), 2,538,349 (2024), 34,265 (2024 Est.), 2,449,069 (2024 Est.)
Valuation: 2,538,349 (2024)
Trustee - Troy Wentz, Treasurer - Home of Robbie Henningson, Clerk - Dave Stapp
There is NO Debt Service for this Township.

FUND	2023		2024		Proposed Budget 2025		
	Prior Year Actual Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate	Current Year Estimate of Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate	Amount of 2024 Ad Valorem Tax	Est. Tax Rate*	Revenue Neutral Rate
General	4,533	4.715	11,200	4.866	12,500	8.330	5.161
Road	12,786	14.258	49,465	14.715	58,130	25.190	15.606
TOTALS	17,319	18.973	60,665	19.581	70,630	33.520	20.767

Total Tax Levied: 33,520 (2023), 1,749,983 (2024), 33,520 (2024 Est.), 1,711,832 (2024 Est.)
Valuation: 1,749,983 (2024)
Trustee - Jeannie Gawith, Treasurer - Home of Gary Gawith, Clerk - Bill Heilman
There is NO Debt Service for this Township.

FUND	2023		2024		Proposed Budget 2025		
	Prior Year Actual Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate	Current Year Estimate of Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate	Amount of 2024 Ad Valorem Tax	Est. Tax Rate*	Revenue Neutral Rate
General	74	2.636	46,715	2.973	70,200	8.350	3.133
Road	32,319	7.932	7,405	8.945	54,220	25.120	9.424
TOTALS	32,393	10.568	54,120	11.918	124,420	33.470	12.557

Total Tax Levied: 33,463 (2023), 3,166,083 (2024), 33,470 (2024 Est.), 2,808,400 (2024 Est.)
Valuation: 3,166,083 (2024)
Trustee - Brian Shaw, Treasurer - Evan Unger, Clerk - Home of Roland May
There is NO Debt Service for this Township.

FUND	2023		2024		Proposed Budget 2025		
	Prior Year Actual Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate	Current Year Estimate of Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate	Amount of 2024 Ad Valorem Tax	Est. Tax Rate*	Revenue Neutral Rate
General	2,075				13,887		
Road	21,907	23.696	99,510	27.484	159,000	38.065	30.598
TOTALS	23,982	23.696	99,510	27.484	172,887	38.065	30.598

Total Tax Levied: 38,065 (2023), 1,606,408 (2024), 38,065 (2024 Est.), 1,385,010 (2024 Est.)
Valuation: 1,606,408 (2024)
Trustee - Home of Tom Wasson, Treasurer - Melissa Lippeltmann, Clerk - Brandon Bryan
There is NO Debt Service for this Township.

FUND	2023		2024		Proposed Budget 2025		
	Prior Year Actual Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate	Current Year Estimate of Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate	Amount of 2024 Ad Valorem Tax	Est. Tax Rate*	Revenue Neutral Rate
General	3,743	3.443	7,170	3.547	7,170	4.824	3.904
Road	15,759	13.104	28,240	13.501	15,759	18.365	14.863
TOTALS	19,502	16.547	35,410	17.048	23,929	23.189	18.767

Total Tax Levied: 23,185 (2023), 1,401,194 (2024), 23,190 (2024 Est.), 1,360,226 (2024 Est.)
Valuation: 1,401,194 (2024)
Trustee - Girard McKenna, Treasurer - Home of Lawrence Carter, Clerk - Greg Miller
There is NO Debt Service for this Township.

FUND	2023		2024		Proposed Budget 2025		
	Prior Year Actual Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate	Current Year Estimate of Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate	Amount of 2024 Ad Valorem Tax	Est. Tax Rate*	Revenue Neutral Rate
General	5,433	3.656	24,300	4.019	24,300	8.390	3.113
Road	68,171	9.680	25,400	10.642	79,700	30.330	11.253
TOTALS	73,604	13.336	49,700	14.661	104,000	38.720	14.366

Total Tax Levied: 38,716 (2023), 2,902,220 (2024), 38,720 (2024 Est.), 2,641,044 (2024 Est.)
Valuation: 2,902,220 (2024)
Trustee - Denton Bailey, Treasurer - Home of Erin Zodrow, Clerk - Justin Zodrow
There is NO Debt Service for this Township.

FUND	2023		2024		Proposed Budget 2025		
	Prior Year Actual Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate	Current Year Estimate of Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate	Amount of 2024 Ad Valorem Tax	Est. Tax Rate*	Revenue Neutral Rate
General	777	1.425	15,665	1.610	41,050	5.200	1.525
Road	23,838	12.876	111,100	14.546	128,010	46.975	13.773
TOTALS	24,615	14.301	126,765	16.156	169,060	52.175	15.298

Total Tax Levied: 52,173 (2023), 3,648,366 (2024), 52,175 (2024 Est.), 3,229,388 (2024 Est.)
Valuation: 3,648,366 (2024)
Trustee - Mike Coleman, Treasurer - Home of Pat Dorshorst, Clerk - Ron Bryan
There is NO Debt Service for this Township.

FUND	2023		2024		Proposed Budget 2025		
	Prior Year Actual Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate	Current Year Estimate of Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate	Amount of 2024 Ad Valorem Tax	Est. Tax Rate*	Revenue Neutral Rate
General	3,915	4.288	49,215	4.427	110,300	10.080	5.360
Road	21,064	10.258	53,000	10.587	59,400	24.105	12.818
TOTALS	24,979	14.546	102,215	15.014	169,700	34.185	18.178

Total Tax Levied: 34,180 (2023), 2,349,779 (2024), 34,185 (2024 Est.), 2,276,794 (2024 Est.)
Valuation: 2,349,779 (2024)
Trustee - Dave Jaenemann, Treasurer - Home of Crescentia Rall, Clerk - Jerry Rall
There is NO Debt Service for this Township.

FUND	2023		2024		Proposed Budget 2025		
	Prior Year Actual Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate	Current Year Estimate of Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate	Amount of 2024 Ad Valorem Tax	Est. Tax Rate*	Revenue Neutral Rate
General	75				1,635		
Road	40,659	18.446	35,400	18.781	54,795	31.125	19.727
TOTALS	40,734	18.446	35,400	18.781	56,430	31.125	19.727

Total Tax Levied: 31,123 (2023), 1,687,251 (2024), 31,125 (2024 Est.), 1,657,226 (2024 Est.)
Valuation: 1,687,251 (2024)
Trustee - Tyler Witt, Treasurer - Home of Denise Abbey, Clerk - Brian Simonson
There is NO Debt Service for this Township.

FUND	2023		2024		Proposed Budget 2025		
	Prior Year Actual Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate	Current Year Estimate of Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate	Amount of 2024 Ad Valorem Tax	Est. Tax Rate*	Revenue Neutral Rate
General	3,284	4.492	18,130	4.632	19,890	8.090	4.787
Road	31,551	12.372	25,830	12.751	44,295	22.270	13.177
TOTALS	34,835	16.864	43,960	17.383	64,185	30.360	17.964

Total Tax Levied: 30,354 (2023), 1,799,913 (2024), 30,360 (2024 Est.), 1,746,570 (2024 Est.)
Valuation: 1,799,913 (2024)
Trustee - Jackie Neff, Treasurer - Home of Brett Jennings, Clerk - Michael Wasson
There is NO Debt Service for this Township.

FUND	2023		2024		Proposed Budget 2025		
	Prior Year Actual Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate	Current Year Estimate of Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate	Amount of 2024 Ad Valorem Tax	Est. Tax Rate*	Revenue Neutral Rate
General	16,469	6.458	34,405	7.186	34,520	16.970	6.705
Road	41,746	16.645	60,100	18.531	62,800	43.375	17.282
TOTALS	58,215	23.103	94,505	25.717	97,320	60.345	23.987

Total Tax Levied: 60,340 (2023), 2,627,400 (2024), 60,345 (2024 Est.), 2,361,663 (2024 Est.)
Valuation: 2,627,400 (2024)
Trustee - Kenneth Carter, Treasurer - Home of Jerry Foster, Clerk - Jarrod Gerbitz
There is NO Debt Service for this Township.

FUND	2023		2024		Proposed Budget 2025		
	Prior Year Actual Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate	Current Year Estimate of Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate	Amount of 2024 Ad Valorem Tax	Est. Tax Rate*	Revenue Neutral Rate
General	11,176	1.765	2,585	1.576	16,000	4.000	1.665
Road	19,850	7.589	14,755	7.031	23,520	15.005	7.491
TOTALS	31,026	9.354	17,340	8.607	39,520	19.005	9.156

Total Tax Levied: 19,001 (2023), 2,265,245 (2024), 19,005 (2024 Est.), 2,538,894 (2024 Est.)
Valuation: 2,265,245 (2024)
Trustee - Brent Oton, Treasurer - Home of Linda Schoer, Clerk - Dylan Spreiser
There is NO Debt Service for this Township.

FUND	2023		2024		Proposed Budget 2025		
	Prior Year Actual Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate	Current Year Estimate of Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate	Amount of 2024 Ad Valorem Tax	Est. Tax Rate*	Revenue Neutral Rate
General	1,382	3.153	21,380	3.110	35,200	5.735	3.291
Road	37,568	28.716	129,720	28.326	130,140	52.230	29.972
TOTALS	38,950	31.869	151,100	31.436	165,340	57.965	33.263

Total Tax Levied: 57,965 (2023), 1,818,855 (2024), 57,965 (2024 Est.), 1,843,880 (2024 Est.)
Valuation: 1,818,855 (2024)
Trustee - Rick Shaw, Treasurer - Home of Betty Hickett, Clerk - Kent Ashley
There is NO Debt Service for this Township.

FUND	2023		2024		Proposed Budget 2025		
	Prior Year Actual Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate	Current Year Estimate of Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate	Amount of 2024 Ad Valorem Tax	Est. Tax Rate*	Revenue Neutral Rate
General	9,212	1.921	4,665	1.995	30,000	5.305	3.514
Road	30,022	15.824	48,065	16.419	63,765	25.200	16.692
TOTALS	39,234	17.745	52,730	18.414	93,765	30.505	20.206

Total Tax Levied: 30,499 (2023), 1,716,331 (2024), 30,505 (2024 Est.), 1,656,602 (2024 Est.)
Valuation: 1,716,331 (2024)
Trustee - Jim Wesch, Treasurer - Home of Amanda Grafel, Clerk - Greg Grafel
There is NO Debt Service for this Township.

FUND	2023		2024		Proposed Budget 2025		
	Prior Year Actual Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate	Current Year Estimate of Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate	Amount of 2024 Ad Valorem Tax	Est. Tax Rate*	Revenue Neutral Rate
General	1,035	4.437	21,295	4.649	53,260	6.895	5.168
Road	18,142	19.903	62,640	20.854	74,400	30.930	23.183
TOTALS	19,177	24.340	83,935	25.503	127,660	37.825	28.351

Total Tax Levied: 37,825 (2023), 1,532,147 (2024), 37,825 (2024 Est.), 1,483,204 (2024 Est.)
Valuation: 1,532,147 (2024)
Trustee - Sandy Rush, Treasurer - Home of Terry Rush, Clerk - Paul Uehlin
There is NO Debt Service for this Township.

FUND	2023		2024		Proposed Budget 2025		
	Prior Year Actual Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate	Current Year Estimate of Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate	Amount of 2024 Ad Valorem Tax	Est. Tax Rate*	Revenue Neutral Rate
General	1,939	2.655	11,825	2.735	20,500	4.110	2.968
Road	39,549	12.909	23,980	13			