

Nickels For Know-How Referendum Nov. 1

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The "Nickels for Know-How" Referendum has been scheduled for Nov. 1 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at three polling sites. The referendum is being held to let users and producers of feed or fertilizer decide if they wish to continue the self-assessment program. County Referendum Chairman George Quigley said three polling locations have been established in the county:

1. Cumberland County Cooperative Extension, 301 E Mountain Dr. Fayetteville, N.C. 28306
2. Dail Hardware & Merchandise, 4310 Goldsboro Rd., Wade, N.C. 28395
3. Beaver Dam Fire Department, 1042 N.C. Highway 210 South, Roseboro, N.C. 28382

The program has been in place since 1948, and the law requires that a new referendum be held every six years.

A two-thirds favorable vote will mean that growers are willing to continue to assess themselves to support agricultural research and education. The assessment is 15 cents per ton on feed and fertilizer produced in North Carolina.

The funds, about \$1.4 million annually, are collected by the North Carolina Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, and then allocated by the N.C. Agricultural Foundation, Inc.'s 148 volunteer Board of Directors to support agricultural research and extension projects at North Carolina State University, benefitting agriculture in North Carolina.

For more information on the referendum please call Cumberland County Cooperative Extension Director Lisa Childers at 910-321-6860.

For accommodations for persons with disabilities, contact Lisa Childers at 910.321.6880, no later than five business days before the event.

