

GRAIN CORN VARIETY TRIAL

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Each year, a Regional Corn Field Day is held at the North Florida Research and Education Center-Suwannee Valley where the Variety Trial is a stop in the tour.



Above: Each variety is marked with a sign and a few ears have been shucked in order to see cob and kernel size.

Below: Ideally, the field is toured where the information is given (Left photo) but if there is inclement weather, the center has a covered pavilion that can be used for explaining the trial and sharing photos through a presentation (Right photo)



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Extension agents share the variety trial information and data with producers in their individual counties.



During the season, participating agents share responsibilities of scouting the plot for pests and diseases.

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At the end of the season, the participating agents assist the NFREC-SV farm crew with harvesting the variety trial plot.

For the first three years, the plot was hand harvested which included bagging, shucking, shelling, weighing, and recording data for each variety.



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Last season, the center purchased a small plot harvester that collected the data while harvesting.



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The agents were chosen to display a poster assessing yield data from the variety trial at the 2022 NACAA Annual Meeting .



The agents discussed the impact of the data collected from the variety trials to attendees at the 2022 NACAA Annual Meeting.