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**CALL-FOR-PAPERS
2016 BELTWIDE COTTON CONFERENCES
New Orleans Marriott Hotel, New Orleans, LA
January 5-7**

TO: Participants, Beltwide Cotton Research Conferences

FROM: Dale Thompson, Coordinator, Beltwide Cotton Conferences

The [2016 Beltwide Cotton Conferences](#) (BWCC) will be held January 5-7 (Tuesday – Thursday) in New Orleans, Louisiana. The call for papers opens August 3, 2015. If you wish to make an oral or poster presentation at the 2016 BWCC please complete a [request to present](#). You will be prompted for the technical conference, title, authors and their affiliation and a brief description of the paper you wish to present. The deadline for submitting your request is October 15, 2015. The research conferences take place all day Wednesday and conclude at noon on Thursday.

After you submit your presentation request, you and the chairperson for the conference that you choose will automatically receive an acknowledgement by email. Starting on November 9, 2015, notifications, along with the tentative date and time of your presentation will be emailed if your paper is accepted.

Additional information regarding [conference descriptions](#), [conference chairpersons](#), [BWCC registration](#), and [hotel reservations](#), as well as, [attractions and dining in New Orleans](#) will be available on the [BWCC web site](#).

If you would like to request an opportunity to present a paper in the New Developments from Industry session, please complete a request to present in [New Developments](#). This special session is open for reports (10 minute presentations) on new developments that show promise for cotton production and harvesting -- new varieties, fertilizers, crop protection tools, equipment, etc. [SEE GUIDELINES AND RESTRICTIONS SECTION](#).

Registration Fee -- All participants, including speakers and poster presenters, must pay the registration fee.

Time Allotted for Presentations – 15 minutes is allocated per oral presentation in the technical conferences. However, presentations should be limited to 12 minutes to accommodate discussion.

Manuscripts – Abstracts or full papers are requested for the proceedings. Papers may be downloaded prior to the meeting and are due Wednesday, January 20, 2016. [Manuscript instructions](#), [checklist](#), [template](#), and [example documents](#) are available on the BWCC web site.

Description – A description is required during the process of submitting your title. The description should include a short statement of justification, objective, materials and methods, and results if available. The description will not be published in the proceedings. The primary purpose of the description is to ensure the paper is presented in the correct conference and to provide details for the Confex scheduling tools.

Posters – Research conferences hold a poster session in addition to oral presentations. If you would like to present a poster, please indicate this on the request form. If you have any questions regarding a specific conference, please contact the appropriate chairperson from the list of conferences on our web site. [Poster instructions](#) are also available on the BWCC web site.