Idaho Association of Plant Protection 2026 Annual Meeting
College of Southern Idaho campus, Twin Falls

Wednesday, November 4 (PM)	**Thursday, November 5 (AM)**
Herrett Center for Arts & Science, 315 Falls Avenue	HSHS Building, Room 154, 397 N College Rd

Registration: $30 ($20 for students). Registration begins at **Noon**, Wednesday November 4.

Wedenesday, NOVEMBER 4 – Session 1 3 ISDA and 4 CCA Credits*	
Presentation Title (Speaker; bold: student competition)	**Time**
Predicting Cercospora Leaf Spot development in sugar beets (James Woodhall)	1:00 – 1:20 pm
Fungicides for Cercospora leaf spot in sugar beets (**Ajay Atkinson**)	1:20 – 1:40 pm
More than a number: Making sense of nematode diagnostics and population densities (Erika Consoli)	1:40 – 2:00 pm
Plant-Parasitic Nematodes of Concern in Southeastern Idaho: Distribution and Emerging Risks (Pooria Ensafi)	2:00 – 2:20 am
Pathotype Characterization of *Heterodera avenae* (cereal cyst nematode) in Idaho small grains (**Nadejda Poiras**)	2:20 – 2:40 am
Break	02:40 – 03:00 pm
Fusarium Head Blight (FHB) in Irrigated Grain Production in Idaho (Juliet Marshall)	3:00 – 3:20 pm
IAPP Sponsor Session – Industry Updates 1. BASF – Curtis Rainbolt 2. Syngenta – Jeff Hopp 3. Valent – Andrew Rodstrom 4. Bayer – Mitch Bauske 5. Lallemand Plant Care – Sara-Jane Evens 6. BioGro – Mir Seyedbagheri	3:20 – 4:20 pm
Diagnostic Lab Update (Benjamin Wood)	4:20 – 4:40 pm
Pest Issues of 2026 - Panel Discussion (Moderator: Kasia Duellman; Panel members: Terry Helms, Matt Payton, Curtis Rainbolt, Erik Wenninger, James Woodhall)	4:40 – 5:10 pm
Thursday, NOVEMBER 5 – Session 2 3 ISDA and 3.5 CCA Credits*	
Presentation Title (Speaker; bold: student competition)	**Time**
The mode of action of the bc-u gene conferring resistance to bean common mosaic virus in common beans (Alex Karasev)	08:00 – 08:20 am
Evaluating Effects of Conventional vs Reduced-Risk Insecticides on Beet Leafhoppers and Beet Curly Top Virus (**Charlotte Butz**)	08:20 – 08:40 am
A new virus discovered in wine grapes (**Edison Reyes-Proano**)	08:40 – 09:00 am
A study of the Rychc resistance gene in potato (**Nataly Franco-Ramirez**)	09:00 – 09:20 am
Effect of Straw Mulch Rates on Aphids, Their Predators, and Potato virus Y Transmission in Idaho Potatoes (**Geoffrey Nyapom**)	09:20 – 09:40 am
Protecting the potato from itself (**Rabecka Hendricks**)	09:40 – 10:00 am
Break	10:00 – 10:20 am
Why TRV is better than PMTV (Jonathan Whitworth)	10:20 – 10:40 am
Evaluating Pre- and Post-emergence Herbicides for Weed Control and Crop Safety in Mustard (Hafiz Ali)	10:40 – 11:00 am
Sustainable and effective methods for the management of Powdery Scab and Potato Mop Top Virus (Phill Wharton)	11:00 – 11:25 am
Observations on black dot development on potato stems and tubers (Jeff Miller)	11:25 – 11:50 am
Business Meeting	end at 12:30 pm

*Must attend entire session to receive credits