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## Announcement

To: All CCA's  
From: James F. Fitzgerald, Executive Director   
Subject: NWCCA Exam Refresh Committee Needs Angoff Analysis Participants  
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It is again time to refresh the Northwest Certified Crop Adviser exam. An important part of the process is to perform the Angoff Analysis. The Angoff Method is a widely used standard-setting approach in test development. It is a kind of study that test developers use to determine the passing percentage (cut-score) for a test. The passing grade of a test can't be decided arbitrarily; it must be justified with empirical data.

The NWCCA region needs a need a few Certified Crop Advisers or Certified Professional Agronomists. The CCA's and /or CPAg should be current and in good standing and be able to commit 5-6 hours (total) of their time to the process over a 2-4 weeks period depending upon schedules.

Here are the specifics of the process:

- Initial meeting or conference call of 1 hour to learn the Angoff Analysis and to get logged into the software and become familiar with it in a group session.
- Approximately 1.5-2 hours of your own time to "take" the exam and perform the Angoff Analysis using the exam software. (You will have at least 10 days to do this and you can go in and out of the software as needed.)
- A second meeting of approximately 1-1.5 hours to finish the analysis with the group – which is called the 2<sup>nd</sup> Pass.

If you would like to be a part of this analysis process and make an important contribution to the program, please contact Errin Nelson @ [Errin@fwaa.org](mailto:Errin@fwaa.org) or at 509-465-5055 with the following contact information ASAP.

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CCA or CPAg number and the number of years as a Certified Crop Adviser \_\_\_\_\_

Thank you in advance for your consideration.