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Wednesday, September 25

BREAKFAST Sponsored by SQM Specialty Plant Nutrition

7:00 AM BREAKFAST & TRADESHOW
7:30 AM: Thrips in Citrus: What Happened in 2024
Sandipa Gautam, UCCE Citrus IPM Advisor

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8:00 AM
Carpophilus Beetle: What You Should Know
Houston Wilson, Associate Cooperative Extension Specialist, Dept. of Entomology, UC Riverside

8:30 AM
RNAi: A New Biological Tool for Crops
Surendra Dara, Entomologist, Oregon State University

9:00 AM
Iodine as a Plant Nutrient
Doug Snyder, Business and Product Development Manager, SQM

DPR TRACK

TRADESHOW and BREAK

9:30 AM

CCA TRACK
The Value of Weather Stations in Vineyards and Orchards
Maria Zumkeller, Technical Vineyard Manager, Lange Twins Winery and Vineyards

10:00 AM

TRADESHOW and BREAK

10:30 AM
Aerial Phytophthora Outbreaks During Wet Years in Almond
Florent Trouillas, Associate Professor of Cooperative Extension, Dept. of Plant Pathology, UC Davis

11:00 AM

Industry 'Take the Stage'
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11:30 AM

Managing Coastal Vegetable Diseases
Yu-Chen Wang, UCCE Plant Pathology Farm Advisor, Monterey, Santa Cruz and San Benito Counties

LUNCH Sponsored by Rovensa Next formerly Oro Agri

12:00 PM LUNCH
We Have It Under Biocontrol
Johan Coetzee, General Manager of North America, Rovensa Next
Jon Pasquinelli, Southwest Regional Manager, Rovensa Next

1:30 PM

Update on Nematode-Resistant Grape Rootstocks
Karl Lund, UCCE Area Viticulture Advisor, Madera, Mariposa and Merced Counties

Plant Stress and Management
Eryn Wingate, Agronomist, Tri-Tech Ag Products Inc.

2:00 PM

Chickweed Challenges in Small Grains and Alfalfa
Nick Clark, UCCE Farm Advisor, Kings, Tulare and Fresno Counties

Best Management Practices for Foliar Fertilization
Jerome Pier, Senior Agronomist, QualiTech

2:30 PM

Managing Viral Diseases of Tomato
Tom Turini, UCCE Vegetable Crops Advisor, Fresno County

Panel Discussion: Potassium Applications and Timing in Perennial Crops
Steve Vasquez, ED, Admin. Committee for Pistachios; Ehsan Toosi, Dir. R&D, True Organic Products Inc.; Paul Giboney, Ranch Agronomist, Hronis Inc.; Mae Cumber, UCCE Farm Advisor, Fresno County; Bryce Belgium, VP, Tri-Tech Ag Products Inc.

3:00 PM

Methods of Beneficial Insect Release for Integrated Pest Management
Hanna Kahl, Ecological Pest Management Specialist, CAFF

3:30 PM TRADESHOW & BREAK

4:30 PM

Impacts of Rodenticide Act on Rodent Management
Renee Pinel, President/CEO, Western Plant Health Association

Irrigation Challenges with SGMA and Wetland Areas
Cory Broad, Agronomic Sales Manager, AvidWater

5:00 PM MIXER Sponsored by WRT Water Right Technologies

Thursday, September 26

BREAKFAST Sponsored by AgroPlantae

7:00 AM BREAKFAST & TRADESHOW

JOINT DPR & CCA TRACK

8:00 AM
Silverleaf Nightshade Management in Tree Nut Orchards
Jorge Angeles, UCCE Weed Management Advisor, Tulare, Kings and Fresno Counties

8:30 AM

Managing Common Grape Diseases with Biofungicides
Akif Eskalen, Professor of Cooperative Extension, Dept. of Plant Pathology, UC Davis

9:00 AM

Navigating Agricultural Challenges: Physiological Impacts and Innovative Solutions
Dr. Muhammad Ismail Siddiqui, Director R&D and Product Innovations, AgroPlantae

DPR TRACK

9:30 AM
Roof Rat Management in Citrus
Roger Baldwin, UCCE Human-Wildlife Conflict Res. Spec.

9:30 AM

CCA TRACK
Continuous Fertigation
Rob Mikkelsen, Director of Agronomic Services, Yara International

10:00 AM TRADESHOW & BREAK

11:00 AM

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11:30 AM

Updates in Anaerobic Soil Disinfestation Efforts
Joji Muramoto, CE Specialist, UC Santa Cruz

12:00 PM LUNCH
Presentation of WRCCA's CCA of the Year award, Scholarships and Honorariums

1:00 PM

Searching EPA-Registered Pesticide Products More Effectively
Siavash Taravati, UCCE Area IPM Advisor, Riverside County

Artificial Intelligence and Farm Data Management
Zac Ellis, Sr. Director of Agronomy, Olam

1:30 PM

Disease Management in Prune Orchards
Themis Michailides, Plant Pathologist, UC Davis

Nitrogen Stabilizers
Larry Stauber, Technical Development Manager, Verdesian Life Sciences

2:00 PM

Top 10 Pesticide Violations in 2023/24
Judy Brant, Inspector, Tulare Ag Commissioner's Office

2:30 PM ADJOURN

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