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Please join us for "2017 University of California's Pistachio Day"

When: Wednesday, January 18th, 2017, 7:45AM - 4:00 PM Where: Visalia Convention Center, Visalia, California

Pistachio Day is designed to deliver the latest research-based production practices in a format that enables prospective or current pistachio growers, production managers, and pest control consultants to better achieve their pistachio-growing goals.

The morning session topics include remote sensing for salinity management, *Rhodococcus fascians* update, reports from localized farm advisor projects, pistachio tree training, and updates on new pistachio cultivars.

Two afternoon sessions are being presented:

- 1. Produce Food Rule for Pistachios
- 2. Integrated Pest Management for Pistachios

Registration at http://ucanr.edu/sites/pistachioday/ or websearch "UC 2017 Pistachio Day"

Please note that this year's session will be a full-day session with a hosted lunch

AGENDA: 2017 Statewide Pistachio Day – Visalia, Jan. 18, 2017

7:45 AM: Pistachio Day Welcome and New Production Manual Announcement Dr. Louise Ferguson, UC ANR Cooperative Extension Specialist, Department of Plant Sciences, UC Davis

8:05 AM: Industry Update

Dr. Bob Klein, Research Director for the California Pistachio Research Board, Fresno, CA

8:30 AM: Tips on choosing and producing pistachios with U.C. Cultivars Craig Kallsen, UC ANR Cooperative Extension Advisor, Kern County

9:00 AM: Implications and management of the new bacterial pathogen *Rhodococcus fascians* in pistachio. Dr. Elizabeth Fichtner, UC ANR Cooperative Extension Advisor, Tulare County

9:30 AM: Real world pistachio salt tolerance for the San Joaquin Valley. Blake Sanden, UC ANR Cooperative Extension Advisor, Kern County

10:00AM: Break

10:30 AM: Developing a new pistachio orchard: training, irrigation and fertilization, and young tree care. Bob Beede, Emeritus UC ANR Cooperative Extension Advisor, Kings County

11:15 AM: Pre-plant fumigation to manage nematodes in pistachio - is it needed? David Doll, UC ANR Cooperative Extension Advisor, Merced County

11:30 AM: Utilizing online tools and information in preventing pistachio planting pitfalls. Dr. Mae Culumber, UC ANR Cooperative Extension Advisor, Fresno County

11:45: Lunch

Session #2: Food Safety Modernization Act
1:00 PM: The Produce Safety Rule – What Pistachio Growers Need to Know
Dr. Linda Harris, UC ANR Cooperative Extension Specialist, Department of Food Science and technology, UC Davis

Session #3 IPM for Pistachio

2:00 PM: Tree decline in Pistachio: true disease or abiotic disorder?

Dr. Florent Trouillas, UC ANR Cooperative Extension Specialist, Department of Plant Pathology, UC Davis

2:30 PM: Navel Orangeworm management: sanitation, mating disruption, monitoring, and chemical control.

Dr. Brad Higbee, Lead Research Entomologist for Wonderful, Inc.

3:15 PM: Navel Orangeworm mating disruption product options.

Dr. Kris Tollerup, UC ANR Cooperative Extension Regional IPM Advisor, Kearney Agriculture Research and Extension Center

3:30 PM: A Brief Update on the Sterile Insect Technique (SIT) Program to Manage Navel Orangeworm. Dr. Bob Klein, Research Director for the California Pistachio Research Board, Fresno, CA