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KERN COUNTY PISTACHIO GROWER MEETING

How to Remove Botryosphaeria Infections by Pruning

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The gathering place will be the Crop Production Services* Office in Delano, located at

Crop Production Services, Inc
930 Woollomes Avenue
Delano, CA 93215-9553 [map](#)

Take the Woollomes exit off Highway 99. The business* is located immediately on the east side of Highway 99.

Meeting Time: 9:30 A.M., Thursday, October 13, 2011

We in Kern County are fortunate that Botryosphaeria Panicle and Shoot Blight is not a common occurrence in Kern County. However, along the Highway 99 corridor, Botryosphaeria is not unknown. This season appears to be one where Botryosphaeria has been more of a problem. In response to grower requests (and because the pistachio farm advisor in Kern County is not very familiar with the disease and the best methods for removing infections through pruning), Dr. Themis Michailides, UC Plant Pathologist – Kearney Ag Center, has graciously agreed to come to Kern County on short notice to discuss the disease and discuss pruning strategies.

From the gathering site we will travel a short distance to an infected orchard where the field meeting will take place.

The gathering place was chosen for its proximity to the orchard that we are visiting. Crop Production Services is not associated with or a sponsor of the meeting. Due to the short notice of this meeting no PCA or other continuing education credit will be available.

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