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Wednesday, September 24

7:00 AM BREAKFAST & TRADE SHOW

Joint DPR & CCA Track

7:30 AM

1,3-D Fumigant Update:
How Are Tree Nuts and Other Crops Affected?

8:00 AM
Olive Fruit Fly Management
Sudan Gyawaly, UCCE IPM Advisor, Butte County

8:30 AM
Citrus Mealybug Research Update
Sandipa Gautam, UCCE Citrus IPM Advisor

9:00 AM

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

9:30 AM BREAK & TRADE SHOW

10:30 AM

Epidemiology and Management of Red Leaf Blotch, a New and Invasive Disease of Almond in California Florent Trouillas, Plant Pathologist, UC Davis; Alejandro Hernandez-Rosas, Junior Specialist, Dept. of Plant Pathology, UC Davis

11:00 AM
Fertilizer Optimization
Pawel Wiatrak, Ph.D., Agricultural Consultant,
Multicolor Ecological Agriculture

Update to DPR's "Pesticide Prioritization Process"
Renee Pinel, President/CEO, Western Plant Health Association

12:00 PM LUNCH

12:45 PM Keynote Presentation Coaches Panel: Run Your Business Like a Sports Team

1:30 PM
Safflower Insect and Weed Management: New Tools Nicholas Clark, UCCE Agronomy and Nutrient Management Farm Advisor, Kings, Tulare and Fresno Counties

DPR Track

2:00 PM

Biology and Management of Avocado Lace Bug

Mark Hoddle, CE Specialist UC Riverside

Ryan Hill, UCCE Agronomy and Weed Science Advisor, Glenn and Tehama Counties

Climate Impacts on California Agriculture and Tools for Managing Risks

CCA Track

Tapan Pathak, Cooperative Extension Specialist, UC Merced

Optimizing Preemergent Herbicide Applications in Tree Nuts

2:30 PM

Regenerative Soil Management Strategies for Supporting Healthy Soils and Water Conservation

Nall I. Moonilall, Researc Associate, UC Davis

Tailored Crop Inputs for Your Farm

Raquel Gomez, Technical Agronomist, Brandt Company

3:00 PM BREAK & TRADE SHOW

Onion Pest and Disease Management

Tom Turini, UCCE Farm Advisor, Fresno County

Management of Diamondback Moth in Lettuce

lan Grettenberger, Assistan CE Specialist, UC Davis

Role of Silicon in Plant Nutrition and Abiotic Stress

lose Ramirez, Director of Agronomy Impéllo Biosciences

5:00 PM MIXER Sponsored by WRT Water Right Technologies

Thursday, September 25

7:00 AM BREAKFAST & TRADE SHOW

DPR Track

Current Research

Updates on Carpophilus Beetle Jhalendra Rijal, UCCE IPI

Advisor, San'Joaquin County

Biofungicides for Controlling Grapevine Powdery Mildew

George Zhuang, UCCE Viticulture Advisor,

Fresno County

Industry Expert Take the Stage

Herbicide Resistance

in Rice

Whitney Brim-DeForest, UCCE Rice and Wild Rice Advisor,

Sutter and Yuba Counties

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8:00 AM

CCA Track Grapevine Nutrition Management: Principles and Best Practices

Matthew Fidelibus, Cooperative Extension Specialist, UC Davis

Stone Fruit Nutrition Management: Principles and **Best Practices**

Almond Advisor, Fresno and Tulare Counties

Nut Crop Nutrition Management: Principles and Best Practices

Douglas Amaral, UCCE Pomolog and Water/Soils Area Advisor, Kings County

Panel: Fertilizer Best Management Practices

Stephen Vasquez, Executive Director, Administrative Committee for Pistachios; Matthew Fidelibus, CE Specialist, UC Davis; Raymond Mireles, UCCE Fruit and Almond Advisor, Fresno and Tulare Counties; Douglas Amaral, UCCE Pomology and Water/Soils Area Advisor, Kings County

10:00 AM BREAK & TRADE SHOW

JOINT DPR & CCA TRACK

11:00 AM Industry Expert Take the Stage

11:30 AM R&D DPR talk Central Valley Crops Technical Marketina and R&D Manager, Dave Cheetham, Technical Marketing and I Helena Agri-Enterprises LLC

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

1:00 PM Complying with Pesticide Container Recycling Guidelines: What to Know Brad Bittleston, President, Interstate Ag Plastics

Rodent Damage in California Tree Nut Orchards Roger Baldwin, Human-Wildlife Conflict Specialist, UCCE

2:00 PM
Pierce's Disease Program Updates for Grape
Matt Kaiser, PD/GWSS Board, CDFA

2:30 PM Adjourn



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