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Advisor Update

There have been a number of significant staffing changes and additions to our office over the past year. In that time we have added several new advisors, these are:

- Tara Batista 4H Youth Development
- Nick Clark Agronomy and Nutrient Management
- Greg Douhan Citrus and Avocado
- JP Martins Dairy
- Maggie Reiter Environmental Horticulture

Additionally, our new nutrition, family and consumer science advisor will be starting with us in January 2017.

A personnel directory is included for your convenience in contacting our new advisors and all other current staff.

Also of note is that Steve Wright, our agronomy and weed management advisor, retired in June after more than 36 years of distinguished service to the University of California Cooperative Extension and to these industries. Those of you that know him are aware that during his career he developed an extension and research program that was recognized at a statewide, national and international level for its excellence and impact. He was also very instrumental in training and mentoring numerous young people interested in agriculture, two of whom are current Advisors with UCCE. This wonderful story gets even better and I am very pleased to share with you that Steve has agreed to continue to remain involved with our office and many of his activities on a limited basis as an Advisor Emeritus.

2016 Field Worker Protection Standards Training - November 1 and 2

Please see the enclosed announcement for these meetings sponsored by the Tulare County Farm Bureau and in which we will be assisting. They are offered Exeter on November 1 and Dinuba on November 2. Please note that these meetings cover **only pesticide safety for field workers** under the Worker Protection Standard. Also note that these trainings **do not fulfill the requirements** for workers involved in tasks such as pesticide handing, mixing, loading, and application. There are other meetings available that do help meet these requirements – including a UCCE/UC IPM sponsored train the trainer meeting on November 29. For additional information on these meetings, please contact our office at (559) 684-3300, or UCCE Advisor Ruth Dahlquist-Willard at (559) 241-7513, email rdahlquistwillard@ucanr.edu

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2016 Field Worker Protection Standards Training

Tulare County Farm Bureau, with support from State Compensation Insurance Fund, CA Dept. of Pesticide Regulation and the University of California Cooperative Extension will be hosting a series of Worker Protection Standards Trainings on

November 1 & 2, 2016

All courses will be taught in a single, 2 hour session repeated throughout the day for field workers. **This will only satisfy WPS Training.** The training is not for private applicators or handlers. No CEUs will be offered.

Training Highlights:

General requirements for employers of field workers Asian Citrus Psyllid - detection and best practices Toxicity exposure and symptoms

The courses are listed below and limited to 100 participants per session. Call the Tulare County Farm Bureau at 732-8301 and RSVP in advance to secure space.

The deadline to register is October 28.

Dates and Locations

November 1 Exeter Veterans Memorial Hall 324 N. Kaweah, Exeter

8:00 a.m. - Spanish 10:00 a.m. - Spanish 1:00 p.m. - Spanish 3:00 p.m. - English

November 2 Dinuba Veterans Memorial Hall 249 S Alta Ave, Dinuba

8:00 a.m. - Spanish 10:00 a.m. - Spanish 1:00 p.m. - Spanish 3:00 p.m. - English

To Register: Call 732-8301 or fax 732-7029

Company:		Contact:		
Address:		Phone:		
City:		Fax:		
Course Date : Nov	/ 1 - Exeter	Nov 2 - Dinuba		
Names	8 am Spanish	10 am Spanish	1 pm Spanish	3 pm English

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