

# Conservation Agriculture and Controlled Traffic Farming 2012

## CASI announces 4 conferences

### August 28

Davis • 1-4pm

UC Davis Heidrick Ag Equipment Center  
113 / Hutchison • UC Davis  
Davis, CA 95616  
(530) 752-1898

### August 29

Modesto • 8 - 11am

UCCE Stanislaus County  
3800 Cornucopia Way, Ste A  
Modesto, CA 95358  
(209) 525-6800

### August 29

Five Points • 1pm - 4pm

UC West Side Field Station  
17353 West Oakland  
Five Points, CA 93624  
(559) 884-2416

### August 30

Bakersfield • 8 - 11am

UCCE Kern County  
1031 South Mount Vernon  
Bakersfield, CA 93307  
(661) 868-6200

CASI is pleased to sponsor a series of four interactive conferences on August 28, 29, and 30 throughout the Central Valley on conservation agriculture and controlled traffic farming.

**Conservation agriculture(CA)** production systems optimize food, fiber and energy production from available resources, increase soil health and productivity by increasing soil organic carbon, and build up many additional ecosystem services that cannot be achieved by intensive tillage-based cropping systems.

**Controlled traffic farming (CTF):** plants grow better in soft soil but wheels work better on roads --- the same machinery wheel tracks in cropping fields are maintained year after year. There are a multitude of potential benefits of CA and CTF, these systems are currently very minimally used in California.

The purpose of this series of conferences throughout the Central Valley in August of 2012 will be to bring together five world experts on these systems to share information related to the principles of CA and CTF and to discuss opportunities and potential benefits these approaches may have for current California systems.

Presenters will include:

**Jerry Hatfield**

Director, USDA ARS National Soil Tilth Lab  
Ames, IA

**Don Reicosky**

Retired USDA ARS  
Morris MN

**Rolf Derpsch**

No-till Expert  
Paraguay

**Clay Mitchell**

Farmer  
Geneseo, IA

**John McPhee**

Tasmanian Ag Research Institute  
Devenport, Tasmania



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