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CropManage 2.0 Workshop: Hands-on training
Monterey County Agricultural Center Conference Room
1432 Abbott St, Salinas CA 93901
Thursday, March 31 2016
(8:30 am – 12 pm)

We will offer a hands-on training to learn in depth about the features of CropManage 2.0, a free online decision support tool for water and nutrient management of coastal crops. CropManage was recently revised with a new user interface and additional capabilities, and now supports iceberg and romaine lettuce, spinach, celery, broccoli, cauliflower, cabbage, and strawberries.

Considering that the drought may continue into a 5th year, and water quality regulations continue to be linked to nutrient management, efficiently using water and nitrogen fertilizer is a high priority for Central Coast growers. CropManage can be a useful tool for providing quick decision support on water and nutrient management on a field-by-field basis. This training will provide an opportunity to learn how to use CropManage for improving the efficiency of your farming operations or for adding value to your consulting services.

The workshop will take you step-by-step on how to navigate and use CropManage for assisting with fertilizer and water management decisions and record keeping. Wi-Fi internet access is available at our conference room so **please bring a laptop or tablet computer** so that you can follow along as we tour through the features of the software. There should be sufficient time to answer questions as we cover the following topics:

Agenda:

- 8:30 – 9:00 Registration and Refreshments
- 9:00 – 9:30 Introduction and update on CropManage 2.0
- 9:30-10:15 Getting started with CropManage
- 10:15 (Break)
- 10:30 – 11:15 Strategies for using CropManage for decision support and record keeping
- 11:15- 11:45 Advanced features and interfacing sensors with CropManage
- 11:45-12:00 Discussion of new features or changes needed

Applying for Certified Crop Adviser CEU hours (1 hr soil and water management, 1 hr nutrient management, 0.5 hrs professional development)

To keep the group size manageable so that we can provide individual help, we would like to limit the workshop to 30 participants. If you have attended previous workshops and or feel proficient in using the on-line tool, then you are welcome to just attend the second half of the workshop (10:30-12 pm). Whether or not you plan to attend the entire or part of the workshop, please RSVP in advance by sending an email to larriaga@ucanr.edu with



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the subject heading “CropManage workshop” and let us know the number of participants in your group. We will email you a confirmation. Thank you, and I hope to see you soon.

Respectfully,

Michael Cahn, Irrigation and Water Resources Advisor
Monterey, San Benito, and Santa Cruz Counties

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