

Symposium on Agricultural Research and Extension

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University of California Agriculture & Natural Resources
And the California Commodity Committee

Noon June 18 to Noon June 19, 2008

Marriot Courtyard Sacramento Cal Expo
1782 Tribute Road, Sacramento, CA 95815

Desired Outcomes:

A greater or officially recognized awareness of the importance of agricultural research and extension in California. To create a proceedings documenting the presentations given. To assist the participants in developing a strategy for the next century for promoting and funding commodity research and extension work.

Potential Audiences:

CCC member organizations, commodity organizations, related industries, the applied research community, the Cooperative Extension community, UC Leadership, related UC ANR workgroups, CSU Ag colleges, state policy-makers, legislative staffers, CDFA.



Wednesday 18 June

Welcome by Bob Curtis, Almond Board The Land Grant, Experiment Station and Cooperative Extension Mandates

Gale Buchanan, USDA Under Secretary for Research, Education and Economics

Return on investment in research and agriculture

Jennifer S. James, Associate Professor of Agribusiness, Cal Poly-San Luis Obispo

The legacy of the past century's investment (scientific development, agricultural advancements, global leadership, others). Case Studies and review of the contribution these have made to society and our economy

Dan Sumner, UC Davis

Benefits to society at large

Tim Paine, UC Riverside

Trends in public investment—where does funding come from, where does it go; start-up costs; how has it changed over time—trends in FTEs; different kinds of extra-mural grants.

Rick Standiford Ph.D, Associate Vice President of ANR/Forest Management Specialist for Agriculture and Natural Resources University of California Office of the President, Oakland

And

Donald Cooksey, Interim Dean of College of Natural & Ag Sciences/ Professor of Bacteriology, UC Riverside

Reception (no-host bar, hosted food)

Thursday 19 June

Commodity Research and the Experiment Station Mission

Neal Van Alfen, Dean of Agriculture and Environment Sciences/Professor of Plant Pathology, UC Davis

Financial Considerations That Constrain Research—overhead and other issues

Charles Louis, Vice Chancellor, UC Riverside

Importance of state, federal & voluntary commodity programs

George Gomes, Undersecretary, California Department of Food and Agriculture (tentative)

Council on Ag Research Extension and Teaching

Karen Ross, CA Assoc of Winegrape Growers and incoming representative to the Council on Agriculture Research, Extension & Teaching.

What can be learned from other states or countries in terms of relationships and initiatives—Other models (Panel)

Cotton Research and extension models in Australia
Daniel Munk M.S., Farm Advisor in Cotton Production Systems,
UC Cooperative Extension, Fresno

And

Citrus Research and extension in Florida, Arizona and CA—a comparative analysis
Ted Batkin, Citrus Research Board

And

The combined viticulture and enology research grants program and the National Grape & Wine Initiative.

Deborah Golino, Cooperative Extension Specialist and Director of Foundation Plant Services, UC Davis

The Role of the CSU Colleges of Agriculture in Commodity Research in California

David Wehner, Dean, Agriculture, Food & Environmental Sciences, Cal Poly San Luis Obispo

Response and opportunities for future collaborations. What are the next steps? What would be the components of an action plan?

Dan Dooley, Vice President, UC Agriculture & Natural Resources

To Register please go to: <http://forestry.berkeley.edu/ccc/>

Registration fee: \$50.00 and \$75.00 after June 3rd. For more information or to register by mail please call Sherry Cooper at 530/224-4902 or slcooper@nature.berkeley.edu

Lodging information: 916/929-7900 or

<http://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/sacce-courtyard-sacramento-cal-expo/>



Planning Committee: Gary Van Sickle, CA Tree Fruit Agreement; Ted Batkin, Citrus Research Board; Bob Curtis, Almond Board; Cymantha Fredrickson, Wheat Commission; Gary Obenauf, Prune Board; Dan Legard, Strawberry Commission; Dana Dickey, Rice Research Board; Bob McClain, Pear Advisory Board; J.D. Allen; Maxwell Norton and Joni Rippee, UC ANR