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News

COVER CROPPING SEASON HAS BEGUN: FREE RECORDED WEBINARS, DEMOS AVAILABLE



Cover crops, typically planted in early fall, deliver a host of agricultural and conservation benefits. But many growers have gone away from planting them due to technical challenges and extra costs associated with the practice.

Events

Nematode management field days at the Kearney Agricultural Research and Extension Center

A field day to examine nematode management studies in
Walnut (Nov. 30, 1:00 - 5 PM)
Almond (Dec. 1, 8:00 - 12:00 PM)
 will be held at the Kearney Agricultural Research and Extension Center. Weather-permitting the meeting will be held outdoors. Everyone in the visitor group needs to fill out a health survey upon arrival.



Websites

Whole Orchard Recycling: Biomass recycling for sustainability and resilience of almond production



UC Sustainable Agriculture Research and Extension Program (UC SAREP)

- We create tools for farmers and local food system practitioners to assess and strengthen their own agricultural and marketing practices.
- We assess existing programs to help them meet changing needs and serve as examples for burgeoning efforts throughout the state.
- We conduct original research on issues that cut across disciplines and work with stakeholders to ensure research is useful credible.

Webinars



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Sustainable Agriculture Research and Education Program

UC Sustainable Agriculture Research and Extension Program (UC SAREP) is initiating a new, 6-part webinar series on Racial Equity in Extension, with funding from Western Sustainable Agricultural Research and Education (SARE).

Webinar #1: Farm Workers are Farmers

This first session provides an introduction to the importance and value of farm workers and addressing farm labor issues in California, how extension professionals can better work to build relationships with farm worker organizations and serve the farm worker community, and why supporting farm workers is critical to the sustainability of California agriculture.

Panelists include:

- Bonnie Bade, Professor, California State University San Marcos
- Patricia Carrillo, Executive Director, Agricultural and Land-Based Training Association
- Christy Getz, Associate Cooperative Extension Specialist, UC Berkeley



Webinar #2: Serving Farmers of Color

This session provides an overview of what extension professionals should consider as they strive to meet the needs of diverse farm owners and operators. We cover why meeting parity for farmers of color is necessary, introduce some of the history behind the need for change, and describe how to be intentional in building relationships with farmers of color and organizations that represent them, and discuss how to shift extension services to meet the needs of more diverse farmers.

Panelists include:

- Victor Hernandez, Outreach Coordinator, Natural Resources Conservation Service
- Chanowk Yisrael, Chief Seed Starter, Yisrael Family Farm
- Kristyn Leach, Grower at Namu Farms and organizer of Second Generation Seeds

