

UC Cooperative Extension Contra Costa and Alameda Counties

Resources for Agriculture during COVID-19*

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STATE & COUNTY/REGIONAL ORDERS:

- [California Stay-at-home order Frequently Asked Questions \(FAQ\)](#) — in effect until further notice. [Exempted essential workforce list](#).
- [Contra Costa County Health Services — Health Order Updates](#)
- [Alameda County Public Health — Shelter at Home Updates](#)
- [Joint Statement from Bay Area Health Officers Regarding Significant Progress on COVID-19 Indicators and Next Steps for Reopening](#).

**If you have a question or need not addressed here please let me know: kamaram@ucanr.edu (925) 608-6692*

GENERAL INFORMATION & RESOURCE HUBS:

- [Western Center for Agricultural Health and Safety \(UC Davis\)](#) — Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) on Novel coronavirus/COVID-19 for operators and workers, plus training guides and posters.
- [Marin County UC Cooperative Extension FAQ](#) — on shelter-in-place orders, food safety, employee health & well-being, marketing/sales, and financial assistance.
- [Community Alliance with Family Farmers \(CAFF\)](#) — alternative marketing, financial assistance, food & personal safety, sales & marketing, business resources, advocacy.
- [California Farm Bureau Federation #StillFarming Resources](#) — global, national & state updates, occupational health & safety, interpretation of state and federal orders, wage & leave issues, farmers' markets, tasting room, and farm stand guidance, taxes, banking & finance.
- [California Department of Food and Agriculture](#) — updates on orders, guidance for food and agriculture, food safety, employment resources, ppe and sanitation supplies access, resources for employees, business resources, CDFA program updates.
- [USDA \(farmers.gov\)](#) — hub to federal resources (such as disaster assistance, H2A visa program, etc.)
- [Coronavirus \(COVID-19\) in California \(ca.gov\)](#) — general information on state response.
- [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention \(CDC\) — Coronavirus \(COVID-19\) Resources](#)

WORKER HEALTH & FOOD SAFETY

- [Cloth Face Coverings: Questions and Answers \(Center for Disease Control and Prevention\)](#)
 - [Important Information About Your Cloth Face Coverings \(CDC poster\)](#)
- [Safety Guidance for Agricultural Operations during COVID-19 Outbreak \(UC ANR\)](#)
- [Worksite Checklist by Western Center for Agricultural Health and Safety \(UC Davis\)](#)
- [COVID-19 Infection Prevention for Ag Employers and Employees \(Cal Dept Industrial Relations\)](#)
- [COVID-19 Food Safety FAQ \(flyer UC ANR/NCSU\)](#)
- [COVID-19 Food Safety FAQ \(flyer by NCSU\) \(also in Spanish\)](#)
- [Handling COVID-19 in produce farms and packinghouses \(flyer by NCSU\)](#)
- [Policy and Procedures for Safe Food Handling During COVID-19 for small farms \(UC ANR\)](#)
- [Steps for farm stand operators \(flyer by NCSU\) \(also in Spanish\)](#)
- [Marin County UC Cooperative Extension FAQ \(sections on Food Safety and Employee Health\)](#)
- [On-farm COVID-19 food safety info & FAQ \(CAFF\)](#)

FARM STANDS, FARMERS MARKETS, & U-Pick

- [CDFA Guidance for Farm Direct Sales and Pick-Your-Own operations during COVID-19](#)
- [Guidelines & Signage \(by UCCE Fresno County\)](#)
- [Handling COVID-19 Guidance for Farmers' Markets \(NCSU flyer\) \(also in Spanish\)](#)
- [Contra Costa County Recommended Best Practices for U-pick and Farm Stand Operations to Prevent COVID-19](#)
- Additional resources for U-pick from the east coast:
 - [COVID-19 FAQ for U-Pick Farms \(NCSU\)](#)
 - [How to operate a strawberry U-Pick during the COVID-19 pandemic \(NCSU\)](#)
- [Cal Ag Tourism Shelter in place resources](#)

ONLINE SALES & ALTERNATIVE MARKETS

- [Sonoma County UC Cooperative Extension Resources List](#)
- [List of online sales resources by Eco-Farm](#)
- [California Great Plates Delivered Program](#) — focused on restaurants, but the [Food Provider Interest Form](#) has an option for “local farm”.

FOR AG BUSINESS OWNERS and EMPLOYERS

- [COVID-19 News & Resources for Farm Employers \(Farm Employers Labor Service\)](#)
- [Coronavirus 2019 \(COVID-19\) Resources for Employers and Workers \(Cal. Labor & Workforce Development Agency\)](#)
- [Update on H-2A Visa Program \(farmers.gov\)](#)
- [Planning for operational continuity for small farms \(UCCE Placer/Nevada Counties\)](#)

FOR AG EMPLOYEES

- [Filing for Supplemental Pay due to Impacts on Wages \(UC ANR\)](#)
- [COVID-19 Resource guide for immigrants in California \(California Immigrant Policy Center\)](#)
- [Legal Aid At Work Resources for Workers](#)

FINANCIAL AID & RELIEF

- [U.S. Small Business Loan Administration \(SBA\) Disaster Loan Assistance](#)
 - [Disaster Loan Applications](#)
- [Coronavirus and USDA Assistance for Farmers \(Farmers.gov\)](#)
- [USDA Rural Development COVID-19 Response](#)
- [COVID-19 Federal Rural Resource Guide \(USDA\)](#)
- [California Office of the Governor](#)
- [Alameda County Economic & Civic Development Dept. COVID-19 Response Resources](#)
- [United Fresh Produce Association List of Resources](#)
- [American Farmland Trust](#)
- [California Family Farmer Emergency Fund \(CAFF\)](#)
- [California FarmLink Loans](#)
- [California Association of Winegrape Growers](#)