

2026 JOINT PEAR GROWER RESEARCH WEBINAR

Tuesday, January 20th, 2026

Sponsored by:

*University of California Cooperative Extension, California Pear Advisory Board,
Pear Pest Management Research Fund, and Mendocino County Department of Agriculture*

0.5 hour Laws and 2.0 hours Other DPR CEUs Requested

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Registration required by January 16, 2025

REGISTRATION LINK & QR CODE

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AGENDA

- 8:55 Welcome and Overview of Meeting Process**
Clebson Gonçalves, Diversified Agriculture Advisor, UC Cooperative Extension
- 9:00 Respiratory Protection Program**
Matt Daugherty, Mendocino Co. Department of Agriculture
- 9:30 UC Fruit and Nut Research and Information Center (FNRIC) pear-related content**
Julia Stover-Blackburn, Director, UC Fruit and Nut Research and Information Center
- 9:40 Evaluation of new bactericides for control of fire blight of pears caused by *Erwinia amylovora***
Jim Adaskaveg, Professor, UC Riverside Dept. Microbiology and Plant Pathology
- 10:05 ID characterization and control of Branch Dieback disease fungi in CA pear orchards**
Celeste Gonzalez Chavez, Graduate Student, Eskalen Lab
Akif Eskalen, UC Davis Department of Plant Pathology
- 10:30 Rootstocks and Orchard Systems for European Pear, Horner 4 Plantings**
Clebson G Gonçalves, Diversified Agriculture Advisor, UC Cooperative Extension
- 10:50 Establishing a Composted Mulch Field Trial in Pears**
Ellie Andrews, Specialty Crops Advisor, UC Cooperative Extension
- 11:10 BREAK**
- 11:20 Sterile Insect Technique (SIT) combined with mating disruption for management of Codling Moth in Pear Orchards**
Charles Burks, Research Entomologist, USDA-ARS
- 11:45 Monitoring of brown marmorated stink bug in Lake and Mendocino Counties**
Cindy Kron, North Coast IPM Advisor, UC Cooperative Extension
- 12:05 Use of PRE and POST Emergent Herbicide Admixtures for Optimizing Long-lasting Weed Control in Pear Orchards**
Clebson G Gonçalves, Diversified Agriculture Advisor, UC Cooperative Extension
- 12:30 Closing and ADJOURN**