

| Time  | 3/3/2026   | 3/10/2026  | 3/17/2026   | 3/24/2026   | 3/31/2026  |
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| 8-9   | <p><b>Merced Master Gardeners</b></p> <p>Less Toxic Fungicides, Herbicides and Rodenticides.</p> <p>Resources/Considerations UC IPM, OMRI, PPE, Safety, Climate Impact</p> | <p>Adam Tinoco<br/>Ag Biologist<br/>Merced County</p> <p>Fumigation Regulations update</p> <p>LAWS</p>   | <p>Tommy Grove<br/>California Department of Fish and Wildlife</p> <p>Update:<br/>Nutria Eradication Project</p>       | <p><b>See separate 2 page agenda below for this special weeds focused date.</b></p> | <p>Scott Stoddard<br/>UCCE Merced<br/>Vegetable Crops Advisor</p> <p>Controlling Insect Vectors and Virus Mgmt in Tomatoes</p>                 |
| 9-10  | <p>Marisol Padilla<br/>Ag Biologist<br/>Merced County</p> <p>Pesticide use permitting and the associated licenses<br/>LAWS</p>   | <p>Adara Culpepper<br/>Public Information Officer<br/>Merced County<br/>Mosquito Abatement</p> <p>Biology and control of Mosquitos</p>             | <p>Dr Tapan Pathak<br/>UC Merced</p> <p>How climate change may impact pest management decisions</p>                   |   | <p>Larry Burrow<br/>Community Education Specialist<br/>UCCE Merced</p> <p>Practical Pesticide Safety<br/>Basic Pesticide Safety Guidelines</p> |
| 10-11 | <p>Karl Lund, PhD<br/>UCCE Madera<br/>Viticulture</p> <p>Pierce's Disease and Glassy-Winged Sharpshooters, a destructive duo</p>   | <p>Cameron Zuber<br/>UCCE Merced<br/>Orchard Crops Farm Advisor</p> <p>Notable Pests, Diseases, and Orchard Troubles reported by UCCE Advisors</p> | <p>Dr. Zheng Wang<br/>Vegetable Crops Advisor<br/>UCCE Stanislaus</p> <p>Trichoderma as a preventative biocontrol</p> |   | <p>Loren Lamb<br/>Ag Biologist<br/>Merced County</p> <p>Commonly over looked items during regulatory inspections</p> <p>LAWS</p>               |
| 11-12 | <p>Larry Burrow<br/>Pesticides as Teratogens</p> <p>-Can pesticides cause birth defects?</p>   | <p>Captain Teddy Perales<br/>CalFire</p> <p>Merced County<br/>HazMat Team<br/>Response to Hazardous Chemical/Pesticide Spills</p>                  | <p>Elvis Martinez<br/>Environnemental Scientist<br/>California DPR</p> <p>Pesticide Residue Monitoring Program</p>    |   | <p>Milford Esau<br/>Merced County</p> <p>Topic TBD</p> <p>LAWS</p>   |

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| 1 Hr: <b>OTHER</b>               | 8:00am-9:00am                  | <p><b>Jorge Angeles</b><br/><br/>University of California<br/>Cooperative Extension</p>         | <p><b>Weed Management in Wheat and Triticale</b><br/><br/>The presentation will provide a general overview of weed management practices for forage wheat and triticale. Topics covered will include commonly found weeds, herbicides registered for use in small grains, and key weed management issues in these cropping systems. The final section of the presentation will address strategies for managing herbicide resistance in wheat and triticale. <b>-60 min</b></p>   | 100%                                    |
| 0.5 Hr: <b>OTHER</b>             | 9:00am-9:30am                  | <p><b>Sarah Light</b><br/><br/>University of California<br/>Cooperative Extension</p>           | <p><b>Considerations for cover cropping and weed management</b><br/>This talk will focus on weed management considerations when implementing cover crops. Talk will share results from multiple sites and years in the Sacramento Valley and will discuss the impact of cover crop variety, and weather, on weed pressure. Equipment considerations for managing cover crops with weeds in mind will be shared. Relevant resources for selecting cover crops while managing for pests will be showcased. <b>-30 min</b></p> | 100%                                    |
| 0.75 Hr: <b>OTHER</b>            | 9:30-10:15am                   | <p><b>Whitney Brim-Deforest</b><br/><br/>University of California<br/>Cooperative Extension</p> | <p><b>Weed Management in Rice Systems in California: Lessons in Herbicide Resistance</b><br/><br/>This talk will cover weed management in California rice systems, including general herbicide tools, weed species, and integrated weed management. It will focus on the development of herbicide resistance &amp; current status of resistance management. <b>-45min</b></p>   | 100%                                    |

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| 0.5 Hr: <b>OTHER</b>                     | 10:15am -10:45am                     | <b>Giuliano Galdi</b><br><br>University of California<br>Cooperative Extension | <b>Weed Management in Alfalfa</b><br><br>This presentation provides an overview of weed management strategies in alfalfa production systems. Topics include herbicide selection and timing during stand establishment, weed control options during the dormant season, and management approaches between cuttings in established stands. - <b>30 min</b>                                     | 100%                                    |
| 0.5 Hr: <b>OTHER</b>                     | 10:45am -11:15am                     | <b>Sara Ohadi</b><br><br>University of California<br>Riverside                 | <b>Weed Control in California Sorghum: what transfers-and what changes-from Texas Production</b><br><br>This presentation provides a general overview of sorghum production with a focus on weed management, including crop competitiveness, critical periods of control, and available herbicide programs. - <b>30 min</b>  | 100%                                    |
| 0.75 Hr: <b>OTHER</b>                    | 11:15am -12:00pm                     | <b>Giuliano Galdi</b><br><br>University of California<br>Cooperative Extension | <b>Managing Weed and Insect Pests in Corn Using IPM Principles</b><br><br>This presentation will discuss integrated approaches to managing weed and insect pests in corn, including prevention, monitoring, and chemical control strategies. Current challenges, resistance concerns, and timing considerations will be highlighted to support informed pest mgmnt decisions. - <b>45min</b> | 100%                                    |