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Annual UCCE South Sacramento Valley Prune Meeting

Co-sponsored by the Sutter and Yuba County Ag Commissioners offices

Yuba City Veterans Hall; February 18, 2026

8:00 AM – 12:30 PM followed by hosted lunch (Thank you, CA Prune Board!)

2.5 hours DPR CE **Approved**

- 8:00 AM **Registration & Coffee and Refreshments**
- 8:15 AM **California Prune Board Update**
Donn Zea, Executive Director, Prune Board of California
Kiaran Locy, Director of Brand and Industry Communications, Prune Board of California
- 8:30 AM **New developments in prune orchard systems**
- New prune rootstock trial plans and goals
Jaime Ott, UCCE Orchard Systems Advisor; Tehama, Glenn, and Butte Counties
 - High density prune orchards
Charles Brannon, Director of Agronomy, Agromillora CA
 - New prune rootstocks and new orchard opportunities
Chuck Fleck, Director of Horticulture Research, Sierra Gold Nurseries
- 9:30 AM **What can growers learn from Dormex® rest breaking trials in prune?**
Franz Niederholzer, UCCE Orchards Advisor, Colusa/Sutter/Yuba Counties
- 10:00 AM **Break**
- 10:15 AM **Prune grower regulatory update.**
Sean Nelson, Sutter Co Ag Comm Office; Matt Bozzo, Yuba Co Ag Comm Office
- 10:45 AM **Disease management in prune**
Jim Adaskaveg, Professor, Department of Plant Pathology, UC Riverside
- 11:30 AM **Developments in Johnson grass management in tree crops**
Ryan Hill, UCCE Agronomy and Weeds Advisor; Tehama, Shasta, and Glenn Counties
- 12:00 PM **A first look at sunburn control in prunes.**
Franz Niederholzer, UCCE Orchards Advisor, Colusa/Sutter/Yuba Counties
- 12:30 PM **Hosted Lunch (Thank you, CA Prune Board!)**

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