

PSA Grower Training Course Agenda

November 12, 2026

7:30 - 5:00 PM

San Diego County Farm Bureau (420 S Broadway, Escondido, CA 92025)

- 7:30 AM **Registration and Refreshments**
- 8:00 AM **Welcome, Introductions, and Course Expectations** – Erin Dicaprio, PhD., Associate Professor of CE, Department of Food Science and Technology, UC Davis
- 8:30 AM **Module 1: Introduction to Produce Safety** – Cuong Huu (Jimmy) Nguyen, PhD., Food Safety and Organic Production Area Advisor, UCCE Imperial and Riverside Counties
- 9:30 AM **Module 2: Worker Health, Hygiene, and Training** – Aparna Gazula, PhD., Small Farms Advisor, Santa Clara, Santa Cruz, and San Benito Counties
- 10:30 AM **Break**
- 10:45 AM **Module 3: Soil Amendments** – Ahmed El-Moghazy, Assistant Professor of CE in Food Safety, UC Riverside
- 11:30 AM **Module 4: Wildlife, Domesticated Animals, and Land Use** – Aparna Gazula, PhD., Small Farms Advisor, Santa Clara, Santa Cruz, and San Benito Counties
- 12:15 PM **Lunch**
- 1:00 PM **Module 5: Agricultural Water – Part 1: Production Water** – Erin Dicaprio, PhD., Associate Professor of CE, Department of Food Science and Technology, UC Davis
- 2:00 PM **Module 5: Agricultural Water – Part 2: Postharvest Water** – Isabella Oliveira Tosta, Assistant Specialist, Department of Food Science and Technology, UC Davis
- 2:45 PM **Break**
- 3:00 PM **Module 6: Postharvest Handling and Sanitation** – Dr. Ahmed El-Moghazy, Assistant Professor of CE in Food Safety, UC Riverside
- 4:00 PM **Module 7: How to Develop a Farm Food Safety Plan** – Dr. Cuong Huu (Jimmy) Nguyen, Food Safety and Organic Production Area Advisor, UCCE Imperial and Riverside Counties
- 4:45 PM **Final Questions, Closing Statements and Evaluations** – Dr. Erin Dicaprio, Associate Professor of CE, Department of Food Science and Technology, UC Davis
- 5:00 PM **Adjourn**