

University of California Small Grains - Alfalfa/Forages Field Day

**Thursday, May 11, 2017, UC Davis Agronomy Field Headquarters
2400 Hutchison Dr., Davis, CA 95616, Davis, CA (see directions below)**

8:15-4:30 Includes Lunch

PCA Credits: 1.5 hrs

CCA Credits: 3.5 hrs

8:15am – Noon: Small Grains Field Day

7:45 Registration (no charge)

8:15am – Noon: Small Grains Program (see <http://alfalfa.ucdavis.edu> for complete grains-alfalfa schedule)

12:00 Barbeque Lunch

Many thanks to California Crop Improvement for the Complementary Lunch!

2017 UC Davis Alfalfa/Forages Field Day (Afternoon)

Thursday, May 11, 12:30-4:30

12:30 Welcome and Introductions—Dan Putnam, UCCE/UCD Alfalfa Specialist

12:35 Appreciation for the Field Station Staff—Brad Hanson & Ted DeJong, UCCE/UC Davis

12:45 Key Activities for California Alfalfa & Forage Association—Jane Townsend, CAFA, Sacramento, CA

1:00 Field Tour:

1:05 Near-loss of Chlorpyrifos (Lorsban) – The story isn't over yet: pay attention to stewardship in alfalfa IPM! – Pete Goodell, UC IPM Program, Kearney Ag. Center, Parlier, CA

1:20 Implementing IPM in Alfalfa Production for insects, weeds and diseases – Rachael Long UCCE Yolo-Solano-Sacramento Counties, Woodland CA

1:35 Alfalfa Blogs- Electronic Communications on Pest Management of Interest to you!—Michelle Leinfelder-Miles, UCCE, Delta Region, CA

1:40 Developing cropping systems to maximize protein from alfalfa for human consumption –Dan Putnam, UC Davis, Davis, CA

2:05 Identifying the Bad Guys—Identifying Weeds Common in Sacramento Valley & What strategies makes sense Q&A –Brad Hanson, Weed Specialist, UC Davis.

2:20 Poisonous weeds in alfalfa – Nitrates, alkaloids and tannins: What are the key ones that affect animals?—Birgit Puschner, UC Veterinary College, UCD.

2:35 Estimating the true water needs of alfalfa and using ET to schedule Irrigations – Daniele Zaccaria, Irrigation Specialist, University of California, Davis, CA
2:50 Kura Clover – Introduction of a new crop – the importance of being patient – Dan Putnam, UC Forage Specialist, University of California, Davis, CA
2:55 Switchgrass Plantings for Biofuels—Dan Putnam, UC Davis
3:00 Choosing Alfalfa Varieties for Maximizing Pest Resistance and Yield—Dan Putnam, UC Davis
3:15 Low Lignin Alfalfa – A New Technology coming along - Current and Future UC Experiments – Dan Putnam, UC Davis
3:30 Drip Irrigation Studies in Alfalfa—Ali Montazar, Department of Plant Sciences, University of California, Davis
3:45 Breeding and Evaluation of Fall Dormancy in Alfalfa – Charlie Brummer, Professor and Plant Breeder, UC Davis
4:00 Deficit Irrigation of Alfalfa and Interactions with varieties—James Radawich, UC Graduate Student, UC Davis
4:20 Return to Base

Directions: The field Day is located on Hutchison Road, Davis, just west of town. Take 113 exit north from I80 or 113 south from Woodland. Turn west on Hutchison Road, take a right at the first roundabout, left at the second roundabout, the Agronomy Headquarters is about ¼ mile in a clump of trees and buildings on your left. Parking and registration is free and so is the barbeque lunch.

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