



2017 California Specialty Crops Tour

Monday, August 7, 2017 Orientation Reception/Dinner (Visalia)

Times	Location	Agenda	Speakers
4:30 PM	Visalia	Reception at Comfort Suites	Comfort Suites, Visalia
5:30 PM	Visalia	Dinner and Orientation – Program concludes by 7 pm	Tricia Blattler, TCFB

Tuesday, August 8, 2017 Day 1 (San Joaquin Valley)

Times TBC	Location	Agenda	
6:00 AM	Visalia	Breakfast at hotel – Load bus at 6:50 am	
7:00 AM	Visalia	Depart Hotel at 7:00 am	
7:05 AM	Visalia	Citrus ACP Quarantine - HLB	Sean Hardy, CDFA & Judy Zaninovich
7:50 AM	N. of Visalia	Prune Production and IPM	Rick Buckner – Gary Obenauf
9:15 AM	Reedley	Stone Fruit – Packing for Fresh Market	B&C Packing – Jeff Bortolussi
10:25 AM	Selma	Raisin Production	Bill Chandler (John or Tom)
11:15 AM	Parlier	Nectarine Production	Rod Milton
12:00 PM	Parlier	Lunch @ USDA-ARS facility	Lunch @ USDA-ARS facility
12:45 PM	Parlier	USDA/ Agricultural Research Service Overview	Jim Throne
1:00 PM	Parlier	Water Management Issues in the San Joaquin Vall	Jim Ayars
1:30 PM	Parlier	Water Coalition Situation	Parry Klassen
2:00 PM	Parlier	Post-Harvest Research to overcome trade barriers	Spencer Walse
3:00 PM	Reedley	PCA Role, Chemical Storage – Gar Tootelian Inc.	Greg and Karen Musson
4:30 PM	Arrive Visalia	Return to Hotel /Dinner on Your Own	

Wednesday, August 9, 2017 Day 2 (Visalia to Salinas)

Times TBC	Location	Agenda	
6:00 AM	Visalia	Breakfast at hotel – Luggage out to bus by 6:30 am	Load bus at 6:50 am
7:00 AM	Visalia	Depart Comfort Suites – Depart at 7:00 am	
7:00 AM	Visalia	Water Overview – Bus Speaker	Aubrey Bettencourt
8:00 AM	Huron	Garlic, Onions, Westside Water Situation	Dave Anderson & Bob Ehn
9:00 AM	Coalinga	Sequoia Packing – Onion packing facility	Christian Marrison
9:30 AM	Coalinga	Pepper 101	Glen Fischer
11:15 AM	King City	Pepper Field Visit	Glen Fischer
12:00 PM	King City	Lunch @ King City Park	Glen Fischer
1:10 PM	Soledad	B&P Packing - Carrot Packing Facility	Nathan Sano & Bob Bigiongni
1:45 PM	Salinas area	Leafy vegetables, pesticide applications, buffer zones, salad processing plant, thinning machine, tank mixing, posting requirements, storage facility	Mary Zischke, Mark Mason Mark McLaughlin
5:30 PM	Castroville	Dinner and Synthesis Discussion at La Scuola located in Castroville	Hosted by Grower-Shipper Association and Leafy Greens Research Board
Eve.	Salinas	Hotel check in at Laurel Inn, Salinas	

Thursday, August 10, 2017 Day 3 (Salinas to Sacramento)

Times TBC	Location	Agenda	
6:00 AM	Salinas	Breakfast at hotel – Luggage out to bus by 6:30 am	Breakfast at hotel
6:50 AM	Depart Salinas	Departure from Laurel Inn, Salinas	Departure from Laurel Inn, Salinas
7:05 AM	Salinas	Leafy Greens – harvesting	Mary Zischke
8:00 AM	Salinas	Fumigation Demonstration	Tri Cal– Abbie Asche
8:45 AM	Salinas	Strawberry Production – MB alternative trials	Mercy Olmstead, & Jackie Vazquez
11:15 AM	Los Banos	Melon Production & Food Safety Program	Steve Wilson – Justin Patricio
12:00 PM	Los Banos	Lunch	Gene Brandi
12:30 PM	Los Banos	Honey Bees and Pollination	Gene Brandi
1:00 PM	Los Banos	Leave for Walnut Grove	
2:45 PM	Delta area	IPM, in Pears and Cherries – Robert Arceo Ranch	Bob McClain – Chuck Ingles
3:30 PM	Delta area	Vertebrate pests and control	Roger Baldwin, UC Davis
4:45 PM	Sacramento	Arrive Sacramento – Amtrak?/Hampton Inn & Suites	Arrive Sacramento no later than 4:45 PM
5:00 PM	Sacramento	Arrive at Farm Bureau	

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