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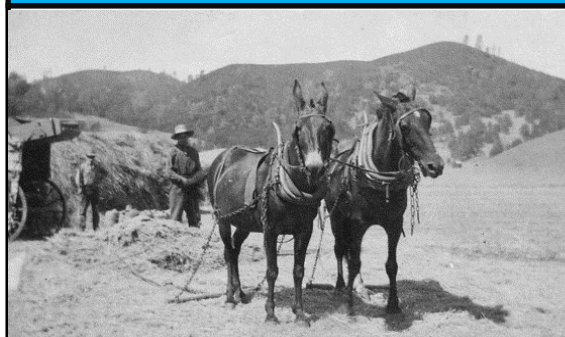
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## From the Office



The Lake County Farm Bureau looks forward to seeing its members at Celebration 2018: Annual Meeting and Love of the Land Dinner on June 28 at Cole Creek Equestrian Center! We are looking forward to another memorable year with friends, good food and fundraising for our youth ag and scholarship programs!

LCFB is hosting two trainings this summer. The first is a Heat Illness and Farm Equipment Safety Training presented by Nationwide on June 21st. This event is FREE for Farm Bureau members and their employees. Please see page 4 for more information.

LCFB will be working with MVP Consolidated to host a Forklift Safety and Certification Training on July 10th at Mt Konocti Winery. This training is also offered FREE to Farm Bureau members and their employees through a generous grant through the California Community College Employment program. Registration sheet is on page 15.

The Central Valley Regional Board will be holding a public Clear Lake TMDL meeting on July 18th at the Lakeport City Hall and Library Park. The purpose of this meeting is to hear public comment and get updates from stakeholders. The Farm Bureau will update the public on the Irrigated Lands Program. Farmers and ranchers are encouraged to attend. More information will be sent via email when the Regional Board makes it available.

Thank you for your continued membership and support! We'll see you at Celebration 2018!

### Scenes from Lake County

Toni Scully and Sausha Racine of Scully Packing educated students about pears and hand out samples at the 2018 Ag and Natural Resource Day. Next year's Ag and Natural Resource Day will be on Thursday, March 29, 2019.



### Lake County Farm Bureau's Mission Statement

*Lake County Farm Bureau strives to protect, promote, and enhance the agricultural industry in Lake County and beyond, through political involvement, education, information and services.*

Do you have a story or issue related to agriculture in Lake County and would like to see it published in our newsletter? Contact the office at [lcfarmbureau@sbcglobal.net](mailto:lcfarmbureau@sbcglobal.net)!

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The Lake County Farm Bureau Board of Directors meets the second Wednesday of each month. Contact the office for times and locations.



# Heat Illness and Farm Equipment Safety Training

**June 21, 2018**

**Spanish 8-10am, English 10am-12pm**

**FREE for Farm Bureau members!**  
**Big Valley Hall (Grange) 1510 Big Valley**  
**Road, Lakeport, CA 95453**

**Call the LCFB office to reserve a spot (707)**  
**263-0911**



**Farm Equipment Safety and Heat Illness Training.** Training includes safe operation of mobile equipment including tractor roll over prevention, proper use of ATV's and safe operation of equipment, including tractors and harvesters. We will also discuss how to identify heat-related illness, caring for a victim and strategies to prevent heat related illnesses. **Both sessions will be presented in Spanish and English!**

**Did you know?**  
*Employers are required by law to provide employees with heat illness training.*

## CALIFORNIA FARM BUREAU FEDERATION

### Voter Guide

**Tuesday, June 5, 2018 • 2018 Primary Election**

The California Farm Bureau Federation Board of Directors adopted the following recommendations on statewide ballot measures that will be before California voters in the June 5 primary election.

	Yes	No
<b>Proposition 68 – Parks, Environment, and Water Bond</b> Authorizes \$4 billion in general obligation bonds for: parks, natural resources protection, climate adaptation, water quality and supply, and flood protection.		<b>X</b>
<b>Proposition 69 – Transportation Taxes and Fees Lockbox</b> Requires that certain revenues generated by a 2017 transportation funding law be used only for transportation purposes and generally prohibits the Legislature from diverting funds to other purposes.	<b>X</b>	
<b>Proposition 70 – Vote Requirement to Use Cap-and-Trade Revenue</b> Beginning in 2024, requires that cap-and-trade revenues accumulate in a reserve fund until the Legislature, by a two-thirds majority, authorizes use of the revenues.	<b>X</b>	
<b>Proposition 71 - Effective Date of Ballot Measures</b> Provides that ballot measures approved by a majority of voters shall take effect five days after the Secretary of State certifies the results of the election.	<b>X</b>	
<b>Proposition 72 – Property Tax Exclusion for Rainwater Capture Systems</b> Permits the Legislature to allow construction of rain-capture systems, completed on or after January 1, 2019, without requiring property-tax reassessment.	NO POSITION	

## Dates and Events, Summer 2018

**May 19-20:** Lake County Wine Adventure

**May 23:** Produce Safety Training, MCFB

**May 31:** 2018 Walnut Field Meeting

**June 5:** California Primary Election. Remember to vote!

**June 7:** Lake County Walnut Update

**June 21:** LCFB Heat Illness/ Farm Safety

**June 28:** Celebration 2018, Lake County Farm Bureau Annual Meeting. *Cole Creek Equestrian Center, Kelseyville*

**July 10:** LCFB Forklift Training

**July 18:** Clear Lake TMDL Meeting, Lakeport

**August 17:** Pear Day, AgVenture

**August 31-Sept. 3:** Lake County Fair

**Sept.2:** Junior Livestock Auction, Baldwin Pavilion



### The Tuesday Morning Market

May 1, 2018 -Sept. 29, 2018

**10:30 to 2pm**

in Library Park located on Park Street between 2nd and 3rd in Lakeport

### The Saturday Morning Market

May 5, 2018- Oct. 27, 2018

**8:30 to Noon**

at Steele Wines  
Thomas Drive near Finley, off Hwy 29  
between Lakeport and Kelseyville

## Local Ag Directory: Useful Numbers and Websites

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Lake County Trapper	(707)263-0217		Dept. of Environmental Health	(707)263-1164	
UC Extension, Lake County	(707)263-6838	celake@ucdavis.edu	Lake County Vector Control	(707)263-4770	info@lcvecd.org
Rachel Elkins, Pomology Advisor.	(707)263-6838	rbelkins@ucanr.edu	Lake County Water Resources	(707)263-2344	
John M. Harper, Livestock Advisor (specializing in cattle, sheep, goats)	(707)463-4495	jmharper@ucanr.edu	Agricultural Consultants, Crop Advisors and PCAs.	agunlimited.com	/consulting-consultants.html
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## IRRIGATED LANDS PROGRAM UPDATE

### Coalition Framework for Revisions to Sacramento Valley Water Quality Waste Discharge Requirements (WDRs) General Order

On February 7, 2018 State Water Board acted on Petition on Eastern San Joaquin WDR. Some of the changes are precedential applying statewide, others are not

The State Water Board has yet to determine if and how to deal with other petitions including the one filed against the Regional Board when it adopted the Sacramento Valley WDR General Order.

On March 28, 2018, three challenges were filed against the State Water Board's action on February 7, 2018. Antidegradation is the key matter in two of the challenges as it is in the California Sportsfishing Protection Alliance (CSPA) petition of the Sacramento Valley WDR.

The Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board staff has signaled their interest in updating ALL the Ag Water Quality Coalitions as early as August 2018.

NCWA as the third-party representing the interests of the Sacramento Valley Water Quality Coalition Members has expressed its belief that the Regional Board should phase in revisions to the other Orders as permitted by the State Board action and consistent with what how they plan to roll out the on-farm domestic well testing program.

There are several areas of the State Water Board's decision on the Eastern San Joaquin WDR which are recommended to be the focus of revisions to the Sacramento Valley WDR General Order:

1. Advocate for revisions to the Sacramento Valley WDR to begin in 2019/2020 instead of 2018. The State Water Board allowed for a 5 year phase in statewide. The Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board will have several Eastern San Joaquin related items to deal with over the next two years.

2. Advocate, with justification, that the current NMP and NMP Summary Report is adequate to determine impacts to groundwater quality, given the groundwater quality conditions documented in the Sacramento Valley.

3. Provide technical information (a.k.a., demonstration) that groundwater quality conditions for the next twenty years will not be impacted by discharges of nitrate below the root zone. This would provide a connection between the CV-SALTS groundwater basin prioritization and reporting requirements of the ILRP.

4. Begin developing Groundwater Protection Formula, Values, and Targets for the Sacramento Valley. This is only precedential for the Eastern San Joaquin and third-party groups that propose it. Developing a separate and distinct one for the Sacramento Valley may be advantageous in advancing the case that groundwater quality conditions and management practices are protective of water quality.

5. Pursue an upper watershed program that advances a reasonable approach to compliance. This would include Lake County, Napa County and Upper Feather River, El Dorado and PSNSS watersheds.

6. Explore with the Ag Commissioners an Enhanced Education and Outreach Program modelled after the Butte/Glenn Ag Commissioner Pilot Program. This was paid for by the State.

The Sacramento Coalition's Management Action Committee will be meeting over the coming months to implement these advocacy measures to the Regional Board.



## Scholarship Winners Announced

Seven local students who have been selected for a Lake County Farm Bureau scholarship will be honored at *Celebration 2018: Annual Meeting and Love of the Land Dinner* on June 28th at the Cole Creek Equestrian Center.

The LCFB scholarship is awarded to students who are pursuing an agricultural field and is based on academic merit, extra-curricular activities and a demonstrated interest in agriculture.

In 2018, there was a total of \$7500 in scholarship money awarded. 5 students received agricultural scholarships and 2 students were awarded Wildhurst Scholarships.

Megan Franco of Upper Lake who is attending Davis to pursue agricultural education; Hailey Finch of Kelseyville who is majoring in Animal Science at Cal Poly SLO; and Delaney Love of Upper Lake who is studying Ag and Political Science at Chico State were awarded \$1000 each. Ariana Montero-Pille of Kelseyville and Serena Onate of Lower Lake who will both be studying Ag Science were awarded \$1250 each.

The Wildhurst Scholarships have a broader scope and are open to all exceptional students pursuing a degree. The Hans and Carol Dobusch Scholarship Committee chose Nicholas Warner who will study Computer Science at UC Davis. The Myron and Marilyn Holdenried Scholarship Committee awarded Yareli Lozano of Kelseyville who will pursue Nutrition and Kinesiology at UC Davis.

Lake County Farm Bureau wishes to thank Michael and Tanya Hat of Wilhurst Vineyards and Winery for their contributions to the scholarship fund. We also thank all the businesses and local farmers and ranchers who attended last year's Celebration and donated to the raffle or Dessert Auction. These events raise money for the Scholarship Fund and also for Lake County Farm Bureau's other youth-oriented programs including FFA Blue Jacket donations and 4-H project support.

## UCCE Area Diversified Agricultural Systems Advisor for Lake and Mendocino Counties

*Rachel Elkins, County Director and Pomology Farm Advisor*

The new UCCE Area Diversified Agricultural Systems for Lake and Mendocino Counties position is among 27 selected out of 34 submitted to advance in the 2018 UC ANR Call for Positions. The final list will be decided upon by upper administration sometime in the summer.

This position will develop and extend research-based information on horticultural and other niche crops such as edible grains, oil seeds, nursery starts, cosmetic ingredients, etc. (excluding cannabis) to an economically, culturally, and socially diverse clientele. The advisor will also assist County Directors with Master Gardener (MG) training and problem solving. Minimum of a Master's degree in plant sciences, e.g. horticulture, pomology, vegetable crops, is required; pest management degree is acceptable if accompanied by adequate plant science-related coursework and experience. Demonstrated applied research, information dissemination, and grant-writing experience are very desirable. The advisor will be housed in Lake County and report to the Lake County Director. Future responsibility may include commercial pomology (i.e. pears, walnuts, olives, apples).

The position will meet the increasing demand for advice on alternative crops and farming systems not covered by existing staff. Many of these crops are of interest to the 92% of total farms classified as "small farms" by USDA: 69% have gross sales from \$1000 - \$250,000 and 23% have less than \$1000; 81% of total farms are less than 200 acres. This group often has the greatest need for, but lack, innovative and economically-rational applied research and extension input.

The position will also be critical in preserving the viable agricultural land use base capable of supporting a diversified, locally-based agricultural economy but threatened long-term by non-agricultural uses as the population increases.

The position was developed by Lake County Director/Pomology Advisor and Mendocino County Director/Winegrowing and Plant Sciences Advisor with input from the UC Pomology Program Team and Small Farm Workgroup, Lake and Mendocino County Agricultural Commissioners, North Coast Opportunities/Lake Local Food Action Network, Lake and Mendocino County Farm Bureaus, Lake County Chapter California Women for Agriculture, Lake County Agricultural Fair District Board, Kelseyville Pear Festival Committee, Mendocino and Woodland Community College

### Air Resources new FARMER program funds in Lake County

The California Air Resources Board is making \$135 million available under its Funding Agricultural Replacement Measures for Emission Reductions, or FARMER, program. The funds available through the FARMER program provide significant assistance to California farmers who face the most stringent air quality requirements in the nation.

The \$135 million has been allocated amongst air districts based primarily on emissions from ag equipment. The 18 air districts with one percent or less of emissions from ag equipment are scheduled to receive \$5.5 million. It was recently announced that Placer Air Pollution Control District will be administering distribution of the funds for those 18 air districts. While Placer APCD will be administering the funds, each local air district will be the point of contact for applications under the program.

The 18 air districts in the 1 percent category are North Coast Unified, Siskiyou, Modoc, Shasta, Lassen, Northern Sierra, Mendocino, **Lake**, Placer, El Dorado, Northern Sonoma, Amador, Calaveras, Tuolumne, Mariposa, Great Basin Unified, Antelope Valley, and Mojave Desert.

The FARMER program provides funding for:

- Heavy-duty truck replacements
- Mobile off-road farm equipment replacements
- Agricultural irrigation pump replacements
- Zero-emission agricultural all-terrain vehicles (ATVs)
- Off-Road Mobile Agricultural Equipment Trade-Up Pilot Project (only available in the San Joaquin Valley)

For more information contact the Lake County Air Quality Management District at 263-7000.

### Ag Equipment Incentive Funding Available as Early as Summer 2018

\$135 million will be available to help fund purchases of cleaner agriculture-related equipment like harvesting equipment, heavy-duty trucks, agricultural pump engines, tractors, and other equipment used in agricultural operations.



### Funding Agricultural Replacement Measures for Emission Reductions (FARMER) Program

Provides financial incentives to reduce emissions from the agricultural sector, yielding positive health impacts for farmers and their communities.

- While CARB sets FARMER program minimum requirements, you will work through your local air district for funding new agricultural vehicles and equipment.
- For program updates, including application deadlines, eligible equipment types, funding availability, and how to receive automatic email updates, visit [arb.ca.gov/agincentives](http://arb.ca.gov/agincentives)
- You can also contact your local air district with questions. To find your local air district's contact information, go to: [arb.ca.gov/agincentives](http://arb.ca.gov/agincentives).



# CA Ag Mediation Program is Still Here to Help

By: Julia Rose Golomb, CALAMP

In 1987, Congress passed the Agricultural Credit Act of 1987 as a lifeline for producers who have seen their interest rates turn double digit, lost export markets, watched their land values crash and who in some cases took their own lives because they saw no other exit strategy. The Act authorized each state to certify a mediation program to help farmers and ranchers resolve problems with farm loans, credit issues, adverse decisions from the USDA, and several other challenges.

Still Strong 30 Years Later. Today, forty-one states have established agricultural mediation programs and they continue to be a resource for producers. Yet even thirty years later, farmers are still struggling, especially in the dairy sector over the last few years as well as other sectors due to continuing water shortages and devastating freezes. Once again, we are seeing articles about how lives are impacted due to circumstances beyond anyone's control as producers search for ways to preserve their legacy and their lands in an uncertain world.

A Free Resource for Producers. Despite the fierce independence of the farming community, data shows that when farmers know about resources, they use them. The California Agricultural Mediation Program (CALAMP) is an important resource for farmers to know about. CALAMP is confidential, voluntary and FREE for any farm loan or credit issue or adverse decision from the USDA. CALAMP also can address certain federal farm and conservation programs; wetlands determinations; grazing permits on national forest system lands; and rural housing loans. If they are not authorized to mediate a case for free under the Act, they will work on ways to make the cost reasonable. Maintaining positive business relationships with lenders, creditors, and USDA personnel is key. CALAMP can facilitate conversations that have become difficult and help gather the information necessary to make an informed decision about the best path forward.

Where can I get more information? Requesting mediation is easy. Visit [www.calamp.org](http://www.calamp.org) and click on "request mediation" or call (916) 330-4500 and dial ext. 104 for the Northern California Program Coordinator Julia Rose Golomb.

## AgVenture application period begins

The Lake County Chapter of California Women for Agriculture (CWA), has opened applications for its 2018 AgVenture class.

AgVenture is an innovative concept in agricultural education designed for non-farming community leaders who wish to understand the vital role that local agriculture plays in Lake County's economy. Class members gain a broad knowledge about agriculture and more specifically about the heritage, culture, economy, and business of Lake County agriculture. AgVenture sessions cover topics including labor, history, marketing, water and land use, agro-tourism, and sustainability.

The 2018 session will consist of four day-long seminars that are arranged around the harvest times of Lake County's top agricultural products. The 2018 sessions are scheduled for August 17, September 21, October 12 and November 2. The first session focuses on the pear industry; the second session looks at the winegrape industry; the third concentrates on walnuts; and the last session spotlights olives and labor. Participants will meet speakers from all aspects of the agricultural industry, participate in farm tours and sample products grown by farmers in Lake County.

The program is open to 12 participants annually. Past graduates of the AgVenture program include elected officials, educators, media staff, realtors, county department staff and community leaders. Applications to participate in this year's program are due by June 1<sup>st</sup> and are available by e-mail - [lcfarmbureau@sbcglobal.net](mailto:lcfarmbureau@sbcglobal.net) - or by download off the Lake County CWA website: <http://www.lakecountycwa.org/>. Applications can be returned by mail to CWA AgVenture, P.O. Box 279, Finley, CA 95435

The AgVenture program Steering Committee members are Annette Hopkins, Paula Bryant, Toni Scully, Diane Henderson, Terry Dereniuk and Brenna Sullivan. They are all members of the Lake County Chapter of the California Women for Agriculture.

# Support these Businesses

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Lake County Horse Council	707/279-1903

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Do you see information that needs to be updated or changed? Are you a LCFB agricultural or business member not on this list? Please call or email the Lake County Farm Bureau for additions or corrections!

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Conser Land Surveying	707/263-5512
Granite Construction	707/467-4110
Jonas Energy Solutions	707/994-5911
Lucerne Roofing	707/263-4200
Wright Construction	707/987-9227
North Coast Barns	707/355-2276
Shore Side Electric	707/279-9248
Hiatt Construction	707/245-6860
Totorica Plumbing	707/279-4020
DS Concrete Inc.	707/350-3399

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S-Bar-S Rock Quarry	707/279-9376

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Highland Springs Equestrian Center	707/279-1903

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## FINANCIAL SERVICES

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♦ <b>Redwood Credit Union</b>	<b>707/545-4000</b>

## FOOD PROCESSING

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Lake County Walnut	707/279-1200
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Keithly Ranches	707/279-4044
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## MEDICAL SERVICES

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## MARKETING

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Lake County Winegrape Commission	707/279-2633

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Suchan Nursery (walnuts only)	707/275-2461

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## California Bountiful Featured Recipe

### Balsamic Strawberries and Goat Cheese Crostini

#### SHOPPING LIST

- 2 cups quartered strawberries
- 2 tbsp. chiffonade basil (plus more for optional garnish)
- 1 tbsp. balsamic vinegar
- 1 tsp. packed brown sugar
- Pinch of salt and black pepper
- 1/2 baguette, cut into 1/2-inch slices
- 1/3 cup olive oil
- 4 oz. goat cheese



#### DIRECTIONS

Preheat oven to 375 degrees. In a small bowl, combine strawberries, basil, vinegar, brown sugar, salt and pepper. Let sit for at least 30 minutes to an hour—or longer, if you can wait, as it helps the flavors meld.

In the meantime, place baguette slices on a large, rimmed baking sheet. Drizzle or brush olive oil evenly over each slice and bake until golden brown and slightly crisp, 8 to 10 minutes. Spread goat cheese on toast and layer balsamic strawberries over. Sprinkle with more basil, if you like, and devour.

**Thank you California Bountiful!**

**Please email [lcfarmbureau@sbcglobal.net](mailto:lcfarmbureau@sbcglobal.net) to submit your recipe and be featured in the next News & Reviews!**



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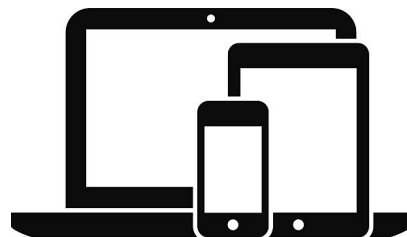
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## ICE Planning Increase in Worksite Audits

Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) is making plans for massive increases in worksite enforcement in 2018.

On May 14, the Associated Press reported yesterday that ICE opened nearly 2300 employer audits between Oct. 1, 2017 (the beginning of the federal government's 2018 fiscal year) and May 4, compared with 1360 audits in Fiscal Year 2017.

Derek Benner, head of investigations for ICE, also told AP that a wave of audits planned for this summer will result in a total of "well over" 5000 audits by the end of Fiscal Year 2018 on Sept. 30, 2018.

AP also noted that ICE enforcement since Oct. 2017 has resulted in criminal arrests of 594 employers just in the first half of Fiscal 2017, compared with 172 arrests in the prior fiscal year.

Farm Employers Labor Service can help employers with compliance. If you have questions or comments, please call FELS at 800-753-9073 or [info@fels.net](mailto:info@fels.net).

### Prescribed Fire on Private Lands: Using Fire as a Management Tool

May 31, 2018

Ukiah Valley Conference Center  
200 S. School Street, Ukiah  
9:00 AM to 5:00 PM

The Mendocino County Fish and Game Commission in partnership with the Mendocino County Farm Bureau and the U.C. Cooperative Extension is hosting a symposium on Thursday May 31st to provide information on the use of fire as a management tool.

#### Topics To Be Covered Include:

- Options for private land burning
- Benefits of fire for wildlife and rangelands
- Prescribed fire permitting with Cal Fire
- Burn permit and smoke management permit application process
- Burn techniques and burn tools
- Understanding fire weather, fuel loads, moisture data
- Panel discussion with landowners who use fire as a management tool

**\$10.00 Registration/Person**

**Please Register at the link below:**

<https://ucanr.edu/survey/survey.cfm?surveynumber=24531>



Mendocino County Fish & Game Commission  
<https://www.mendocinocounty.org/government/planning-building-services/fish-game>



## Produce Safety Training in Ukiah (FSMA Compliance)

### Did you miss Lake County's Produce Safety training?

Mendocino County Farm Bureau is partnering with Ag Safe and Western Growers to offer a produce safety training course (recognized by the FDA) to be in compliance with the Food Safety Modernization Act (FSMA). Through a grant from the California Department of Food and Agriculture, funding was made available to provide additional FSMA training courses throughout California in order for farmers of covered produce to come into compliance with the new FSMA rules. The FSMA produce rule requires that at least one supervisor or responsible party per farm must have successfully completed food safety training recognized as adequate by the FDA.

**Even if you attended previous FSMA training courses, this is an economical opportunity to send additional employees or managers to receive the training.**

*Cost is \$20/person which included lunch, training manuals and certificate of attending the course. For more information and to register, please visit:*

<http://www.agsafe.org/event/produce-safety-training-mendocino-county-farm-bureau-ukiah/>

**When:** May 23<sup>rd</sup> 8 AM to 5 PM

**Where:** Mendocino County  
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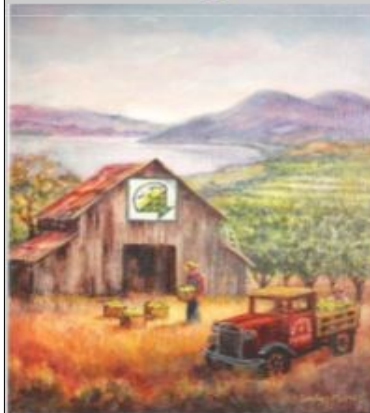
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## CAPCA ED Education Seminar



**July 19, 2018  
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Chico, CA 95926

Contact:

CAPCA State Office  
916-928-1625



# Forklift Safety and Certification Training



**Tuesday, July 10, 2018 - 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.**

**Mt Konocti Winery**

**2550 Big Valley Road Kelseyville, California 95451**

This \$60 per employee training is being made available to LCFB Members for FREE thanks to a CA Community Colleges grant for agricultural employment.

## Why Training?

According to the United States Department of Labor about 100 employees are killed and 20,000 injured every year while operating forklifts. Forklift turnovers account for a significant percentage of these fatalities.

- ✓ Training can reduce the risk of accidents and injuries to you and those you work with.
- ✓ Training can reduce operating costs of your company by avoiding damage to property and products.
- ✓ Federal and State Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) regulations require that all forklift operators be trained and authorized to operate a forklift.
- ✓ Certification is required once every three years.

The training will include a classroom safety portion and a practical evaluation of the operators skills.

Lake County Farm Bureau is offering its members this valuable training **free of charge**. Space is limited pre-registration is required! Your registraion form **must** be received by Friday, June 29, 2018.

## Registration Form

Complete the form below, and mail to MVP Safety Professionals, 201 East Street, Woodland, CA 95776 or email to [imuzio@mvpssafety.org](mailto:imuzio@mvpssafety.org). Registration **must** include your current Lake County Farm Bureau member number to secure your spot. If you would like information about joining the Lake County Farm Bureau, Call Brenna Sullivan at (707) 263-0911.

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Please check the event you are registering for and indicate the number of people for each session:

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***\*Please Note:*** This is not a forklift operator training course. Attendees must already know how to operate a forklift before attending this safety training and certification event. For questions about the course call Imelda Muzio at 530-848-0998.



# Rural Road Safety

*The following information is provided by Nationwide, the #1 farm insurer in the U.S*

Most states allow leeway regarding the use of implements of husbandry on public roadways. For the most part, regulations for size and type of equipment don't apply to those that operate agricultural equipment on the road. But drivers need to be aware of bridge and road embargos to help prevent serious injury and damage to roadways and equipment.

The increase in size of agricultural equipment makes it almost certain that portions will extend "left of center" when operated on public roads. Courts have generally upheld the right of equipment operators to use public roads, but that doesn't give immunity from liability should you have an accident when the size of your equipment is in direct violation.

Accidents are more prevalent at certain times of the day.

Operating in the morning presents an increased risk as people head off to work and school. Drivers are usually in a hurry and often lack the patience to follow a slow-moving vehicle. The same is true during afternoons and early evenings as schools let out and people are returning home from work.

When operating in the dark, be sure to:

- Turn on lights
- Use reflectors or conspicuity tape
- Display SMV sign

Use an escort vehicle (if you don't have the proper lighting on the rear of the equipment)

Never use inexperienced or untrained drivers. Regulations require drivers to be trained on how to operate the specific equipment they are assigned to use and to how to navigate the equipment in the environment they're operating in.

On contoured rural roads, it's easy for a car traveling at higher speeds to be surprised by a larger, slow-moving vehicle, especially around a sharp bend or after the crest of a hill. It's difficult for drivers of faster, smaller vehicles to judge the speed and gap distance of a larger piece of equipment. Stay vigilant and keep a lookout for areas of high traffic or activity. Rural bridges, passing cars, left-turn collisions and rear-end collisions are common hazards that can lead to an accident or loss scenario.

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# The importance of Farm Policy

*By Jeana Hultquist, Vice President of Legislative Affairs, American AgCredit*

Every five years, the leaders of our country review farm policy. In large part the debate is healthy, but this year that conversation has taken a partisan turn with much uncertainty. On April 18, 2018, the House Agriculture Chairman Mike Conaway set the process in motion with a committee markup, resulting in Republicans passing a bill by a vote of 26 – 20 on a strictly party line. With no Democrats voting for the bill nor offering any amendments, most of the work is to be conducted on the floor by the full House of Representatives. By the time you read this article, that debate could well be over – or not.

While Congress faces many challenges in the current environment --- a lame duck Speaker, rising deficient concerns, trade disputes, to name a few – it is imperative that the broader agricultural community emphasize the continued importance of farm bill policies that promote an economically healthy and competitive U.S. agricultural sector. These programs serve a variety of purposes including: meeting the food, fuel and fiber needs of consumers worldwide; strengthening farm income; promoting rural development; and creating needed resources to sustain the next generation farmer.

While the controversy and headlines will focus on the disagreement with the nutrition title, the committee-passed version of the Farm Bill includes important updates to crop insurance, commodity programs, Farm Service Agency (FSA) loan guarantee programs and rural infrastructure. These changes will help to provide certainty to rural communities, farmers and ranchers as they continue to face challenging economic conditions.

As Congress works on this Farm Bill, American AgCredit is working to ensure a strong crop insurance program is included. The Federal Crop Insurance Corporation (FCIC) promotes economic stability. It protects farmers and ranchers against financial losses caused by weather and market disruptions that could result in lower prices for agricultural products. We believe that this program is a successful public-private partnership that is federally regulated and delivered by the private sector, and it helps farmers maintain the country's safe, affordable food supply.

A viable crop insurance program also allows American AgCredit to finance many types of agricultural producers, particularly young and beginning farmers, who typically have less collateral and equity. At this point, the farm bill protects crop insurance provisions however, we do anticipate further debate when the bill comes to the House floor.

On the Senate side, Senate Agriculture Committee Chairman Pat Roberts (Kansas) and Ranking Member Debbie Stabenow (Michigan) released a joint statement reaffirming their commitment to a bipartisan bill. I believe this is where hope lies in that Chairman Roberts has the opportunity to be the first member of Congress sitting in the Chair of both the Senate and House Agriculture Committees when enacting a Farm Bill into law.

Given the current farm bill will expire on September 30<sup>th</sup> and the wide gap to close the disparate views, we will likely face a conference committee to sort out this political posturing. Or will elected officials put it off and extend the current farm bill? Stay tuned for developments as they occur – or not.

## TELL CONGRESS TO PASS THE FARM BILL

American AgCredit supports passage of a strong Farm Bill in 2018. Declines in commodity prices in the past several years are pushing down farm income and many farm families are making adjustments to their operations. For the most part, farmers entered this lower price cycle with healthy balance sheets but the long period of low prices is taking a toll. Farm families need a Farm Bill that provides a safety net for their operations to help them make it through this cycle. American AgCredit's priorities for the Farm Bill include:

- Strengthening the federal crop insurance program,
- Expanding the Farm Service Agency guaranteed loan program and
- Boosting investment in rural infrastructure.

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