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PESTICIDE SAFETY T2 COURSE OFFERED MVP Consolidated offering Train-the-Trainer course in English and Spanish on December 11 and 12



Pesticide Safety Train-the-Trainer Course

Where: Lake County Farm Bureau

Date: December 11, 2017 (Spanish)
December 12, 2017 (English)

Time: 8am to 4pm

Cost: \$150 per person (Employees
previously certified by MVP will
receive a discounted rate)

MVP Consolidated will be offering a Pesticide Safety Train-the-Trainer course on December 11th and 12th at the Lake County Farm Bureau office.

California regulations require pesticide safety training be provided to fieldworkers and pesticide handlers. The individuals providing training must meet minimum qualifications if they are training fieldworkers or pesticide handlers involved in the commercial or research production of an agricultural commodity. One way of becoming a qualified trainer is to attend a Train-the-Trainer (T2) course that is approved by the Department of Pesticide Regulation (DPR) and taught by a DPR-approved T2 instructor.

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) 2015 Worker Protection Standard (WPS) requires individuals seeking to become trainers of fieldworkers and pesticide handlers by completing a T2 program to complete a U.S. EPA-approved program starting January 2, 2017. The U.S. EPA has determined CA DPR's T2 program approval process is equivalent to U.S. EPA's and is allowing DPR to continue to review and approve all California T2 programs on behalf of the U.S. EPA. However, it also requires all previously certified trainers to attend an approved/updated T2 course if they will continue to train after December 2017.

This Train-the-Trainer course, will allow you or your employee (s) to obtain or renew certification to train. This program also offers 4 hours of CE Units for license holders. Please see sign-up form on back page of this newsletter for more information.

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From the Office



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The LCFB office will begin sending out the 2017 Irrigated Lands invoices starting November 15. If your bill needs corrections, please contact the office before December 15 so an updated invoice can be sent before the holiday break. As a reminder, the 2017 invoice will reflect your fees and irrigated acreage for the 2017 growing season. If you have added or removed any irrigated acreage for 2018, this will be reflected in next year's bill.

We hope to see you at the Ag Department Continuing Education classes on December 1 and 11 at the Lake County Board of Supervisors Chambers. These meetings will offer CE credits and will contain a number of important regulatory updates including annual Irrigated Lands Regulatory Program requirements.

MVP Consolidated will also be hosting a Pesticide Safety Train-the Trainer class on December 11 and 12. The sign-up sheet is in this newsletter and will also be available on our website.

The LCFB office staff and Board of Directors thank you for your continued membership and wish you a wonderful holiday season!

Welcome new 2017 members!!

Beth Rudnick

Scenes from Lake County

Lake County Farm Bureau President Keith Brandt drives the Farm Bureau 'float' in the 2017 Kelseyville Pear Festival Parade. Thank you to Cole Creek Equestrian Center for the use of your gorgeous carriage and Percheron team!



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!

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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.

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- **Catch up** on current issues facing California farmers and ranchers including sessions on water, forestry, cannabis, grazing and environmental issues.
- **Interact** with our own policy staff and industry experts on upcoming rules and regulations.
- **Witness** the policy process unfold on the delegate floor.
- **Join us** as we say goodbye to President Paul Wenger and watch the CFBF officer elections unfold.

All Members Welcome!



FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT CFBF.COM/AM2017

Dates and Events, November-December 2017

Nov. 3: AgVenture Session 4

Nov. 6-7: Ag Labor Management Seminar

Nov. 8: FSMA Food Safety Training, Blue Lakes Lodge, Upper Lake.

Nov. 9: CAPCA ED Trap Shoot, Central Coast

Nov. 10: Sonoma Grape Expo, Cloverdale Citrus Fairgrounds

Nov. 14: CAPCA ED Napa

Nov. 16: Northern California Counties Caucus, Glenn County Farm Bureau

Nov. 23: Thanksgiving Day

Dec. 1: Ag Department Continuing Education Class (Grower Meeting) BOS Chambers.

Dec. 3-6: CFBF Annual Meeting, Orange County

Dec. 11: Ag Department Continuing Education Class (Grower Meeting) BOS Chambers.

Dec. 11: Train-the-Trainer Course, LCFB Office – Spanish

Dec. 12: Train-the-Trainer course, LCFB Office—English

Dec. 25: Christmas Day

Jan. 5-10: American Farm Bureau Federation Annual Meeting. Nashville, TN.

WHAT THE LCFB HAS BEEN DOING FOR YOU



Sept. 20: Ag and Natural Resource Day scoping session at schools

Sept. 21: Third public cannabis meeting

Sept. 21: CHP Community Outreach Meeting

Oct. 5: MAC (Management Advisory Committee) Meeting; discussion and advocacy of Irrigated Lands Budget 2017-2018

Oct. 19: Napa/Sonoma/Mendocino/Lake Farm Bureau fire response conference

Oct. 27: AgVenture Session 3

Nov. 3: AgVenture Session 4: Final session and graduation

Nov. 6: Ag and Natural Resource Day Meeting

Nov. 8: FSMA Food Safety Training, at the Lodge at Blue Lakes.

Local Ag Directory: Useful Numbers and Websites

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IRRIGATED LANDS PROGRAM UPDATE

What to expect in 2018

ILRP Inspections:

The first Irrigated Lands inspections to hit Lake County were conducted last January. The office was recently contacted by the Regional Water Quality Board inspector who announced she would be scheduling inspections in January and February 2018. These inspections are specifically conducted during the storm water season to assess erosion. However, last year's inspections went well and Regional Board staff were pleased with the excellent management practices they saw employed.

While we do not yet know who these winter inspections will be targeting, the inspector mentioned wanting to visit some walnut and pear operations. Lake County growers are advised to review their Farm Evaluations and Nitrogen Management Plans and assure that practices claimed in those documents are observable in the field.

If you receive a letter from the Regional Board to schedule an inspection, contact the Lake County Farm Bureau office at 263-0911. We will review all your paperwork and discuss what to expect.

East San Joaquin WDR

Following statewide comments, the State Water Board has revised the 2016 Draft Order for Growers in the Eastern San Joaquin Water Quality Coalition. Unfortunately, the Water Board still plans to eliminate high and low vulnerability designations which will affect the regulatory requirements of Lake County growers.

NCWA will coordinate with Coalition partners to prepare a set of written comments well in advance of the noon on December 15, 2017 deadline. The State Water Board will also hold a public workshop on December 6, 2017, at which NCWA will organize a group to testify.

The State Water Board expects to take final action in this matter at its regularly-scheduled meeting on Tuesday, January 23, 2018.

ILRP Program Billing

Last year, Irrigated Lands Program members across the Sacramento Valley saw increases to their watershed bills. Lake County members were no exception. This year, most sub-watershed groups are having to raise rates again due to the State Water Board's acreage fee increase from \$0.75 per acre to \$0.87 per acre to help fund staff in other departments.

Fortunately, because Lake County was accepted for a Reduced Monitoring program, our monitoring fees to the Sacramento Valley Water Quality Coalition are lower. The Lake County Sub-watershed Board voted in October to reduce its 2017 fees to members. Members will still see the \$0.12 increase per acre from the mandatory State fee increase. However, the monitoring acreage fee will drop from \$3.49 to \$2.99 per acre.

The Lake County Sub-watershed Group and office staff will continue to look for efficiencies and programs like the Reduced Monitoring option to help offset the rising operating costs of this ballooning regulatory program.

Annual Grower Meetings: December 1st and 11th

The 2017 Agricultural Department Continuing Education Classes are scheduled for Friday, December 1st and Monday, December 11th. They will be held in the mornings approximately 8am to 12pm at the Courthouse in the Board chambers. Continuing Education hours are available at each session. Topics will include regulations updates and other useful information for the 2018 growing year.

Location: Lake County Board of Supervisors
Chambers
255 North Forbes St.
Lakeport, CA 95453

AgVenture Class graduates on November 3

Eleven community leaders attended the final session of the AgVenture 2017 program on November 3, 2017. This session marked the close of the eighth year of the AgVenture program which was created by the LCCWA as an educational program about agriculture.

Session Four showcased Lake County olive production, agricultural technology and featured a farm labor panel.

Brenna Sullivan, Executive Director of the Lake County Farm Bureau and 2017's AgVenture Coordinator, stated, "This program demonstrates that today's farmers not only have to be competent businesspeople to navigate producing and marketing products in an ever-changing global market and regulatory climate, but they must also appreciate and utilize science, technology and a bit of good luck in order to be successful."

Class members are selected annually through an application process. Selection into the program is based on the applicant's interest in the program, their professional position in the community, and their ability to help maintain a viable agricultural industry in Lake County.



AgVenture 2017 class graduates from left to right: Dan Peterson, Sutter Lakeside; District 1 Supervisor Moke Simon; Water Resources Director Phil Moy; Jamey Gill of Community First Credit Union; Daniel Chance, Lakeport City Planner; District 4 Supervisor Tina Scott; Lake County CAO Carol Huchingson; Deborah Swartz of Community Development Services; Kati Galvani, Deputy Public Services Director and Father Mario Valencia.

Lake County Fairgrounds Welcomes New Fair CEO, Courtney Conkle



The Lake County Fairgrounds Board of Directors announced this week that Courtney Conkle is the new CEO of the Lake County Fairgrounds. On November 1st Conkle officially stepped into her new role as her predecessor,

Debbie Strickler, retired after 13 years of dedicated service.

Born into a fair family of her own, Conkle spent the early years of her life working concessions with her father who still runs Conkle's Concessions. By the age of 16 Courtney had attended more than 300 fairs in 20 different states. As a young adult, she managed fair admissions for the Sonoma County Fair in Santa Rosa and exhibits for the Sonoma-Marín Fair held in Petaluma. More recently she was the Interim Chief Executive Officer and Fair Manager for the Sonoma-Marín Fair.

"It has been a dream of mine to work as Chief Executive Officer for a District Agricultural Association since I was 12 years old," shares Conkle. "It is truly a privilege to have this opportunity in my own home town. I am confident that my passion for the fair industry and deep love for Lake County will guide me in our mission to enhance the fairgrounds and to expand the Fair's education programs for the greater good of the community."

Conkle's resume of achievements is long and varied. She has been a member of the Western Fairs Association (WFA) Board of Directors, Service Member Board of Directors 1st Vice Chair, International Association of Fairs and Expositions (IAFE) Young Professionals Initiative Zone 8 Chair, Organizing Incoming Chairperson, and WFA Blue Ribbon Foundation Board Liaison.

The 49th District Agricultural Association now spans 34 acres and is home to the largest covered multi-purpose building in Lake County. The fairgrounds host year-round events, however the largest is the Lake County Fair held at the end of summer. Save the date for the 2018 Lake County Fair, August 30 - September 2, where this year's theme will be The Grape Escape to the Lake County Fair!

USDA Offers Opportunities to Help California Producers Rebuild and Recover; Assessments Underway

DAVIS, Calif., Oct. 19, 2017 – The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) is targeting \$4 million to help farmers, ranchers, and forest land owners in California recover from the recent wildfires. USDA's Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) will issue waivers for those interested in the Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP) to enable recovery work to begin immediately. This is one of several disaster assistance programs available through USDA to support recovery efforts for individuals and communities.

NRCS will immediately begin accepting applications for its EQIP Catastrophic Fire Recovery fund pool to assist producers in covering the cost of certain rehabilitation practices, such as creating check dams in drainages, using damaged trees to slow runoff, repairing culvert systems, and planting tree seedlings. NRCS is waiving the standard 30-day application ranking period and is accepting applications for this initial fund pool through November 6, 2017.

"NRCS is committed to getting assistance out as soon as possible, and we are cutting some red tape to allow people to get to work immediately," said Curtis Tarver, NRCS California acting state conservationist. "We encourage producers to visit their local USDA service center to submit an application and work with staff to begin recovery."

NRCS is also offering technical and educational assistance to fire-impacted landowners faced with erosion and flooding in a damaged watershed. NRCS conservationists have expertise in erosion, hydrophobic soils, and the use of measures (such as sand bags, mulching, etc.) to mitigate damage to the landscape.

Additional USDA Assistance Available
NRCS, Farm Service Agency (FSA), and Risk Management Agency (RMA) in California are planning to meet with landowners, partners and other agencies to assess damages and discuss technical and financial assistance. Public workshops will be



scheduled once the fires are contained.

FSA can help farmers and ranchers with a range of disaster assistance including compensation for livestock death and feed losses, risk coverage for specialty crops, and repair of damage to agricultural and private forest land. For example, the FSA Emergency Conservation Program provides funding and technical assistance to rehabilitate farmland damaged by natural disasters. One of the most helpful practices under this program after a wildfire is fence restoration.

"FSA has a number of programs to help wildfire-impacted producers get back on their feet," said Jacque Johnson, Acting California FSA Executive Director. "I want to encourage farmers and ranchers to contact their local FSA office to find out about resources available to them."

FSA's suite of safety-net programs to help producers recover from eligible losses, includes:

- Livestock Indemnity Program;
- Emergency Assistance for Livestock, Honeybees, and Farm-Raised Fish Program; and
- Tree Assistance Program.

Additionally, producers located in counties that receive a primary or contiguous disaster designation are eligible for low-interest emergency loans to help them recover from production and physical losses.

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California Farm Bureau, John Deere announce discount Partnership

Farm Bureau members in California will qualify for special access to the John Deere GreenFleet™ Loyalty Rewards program, under a new partnership between the California Farm Bureau Federation and John Deere. The program provides Farm Bureau members with a free, two-year Platinum 2 membership. Along with equipment discounts, GreenFleet Loyalty Rewards Platinum members are eligible for special parts savings, Home & Workshop Products discounts and other members-only promotions. Typically, a customer must initially purchase five pieces of qualifying equipment within 12 months to reach Platinum 2 status. Farm Bureau members will automatically qualify by signing up through JohnDeere.com/FarmBureau for these benefits:

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LCFB and Wildhurst announce scholarships to honor Carol and Hans Dobusch and Myron and Marilyn Holdenried

At the Wildhurst Fall Ball on October 28, 2017, LCFB President Keith Brant and Tanya Hat of Wildhurst Vineyard and Winery announced two new perpetual scholarships. The Hans and Carol Dobusch Scholarship and the Marilyn and Myron Holdenried Scholarship will be awarded annually to deserving Lake County students at the Lake County Farm Bureau annual meeting.

Tanya Hat proposed the idea as a way to honor the contributions these four have made to their community through agriculture, education and promotion of Lake County. The scholarships will be fundraised at Wildhurst's annual Fall Ball which takes place in October.

Lake County Farm Bureau opens their scholarship application period in February. The Wildhurst Scholarships will be announced and considered in the same time frame, but with slightly different parameters to be decided upon by the scholarship committee. Farm Bureau's scholarships are awarded to exceptional students who wish to pursue a career in agriculture. Farm Bureau will work with the Holdenrieds and Dobuschs, who will hopefully serve on the Wildhurst Scholarship committees, to determine the selection process for these special scholarships.

Lake County students are encouraged to check back with the Lake County Farm Bureau in early 2018 for information on the Lake County Farm Bureau and Wildhurst Scholarships.



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RB Pest Control	707/263-5245
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Hanson Ranch Farmstand	707/279-4761
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Sky Hoyt Specialty Grower	707/279-0859

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800g diced lamb shoulder
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2 sticks celery
1 red capsicum
2 medium kumara
4 cloves garlic,
3 tablespoons fresh rosemary, chopped
2 cups Campbell's Real Stock - Beef
½ cup tomato paste
Zest of 1 lemon plus 1 tablespoon juice
2 cups chopped spinach
3 teaspoons corn flour mixed with 2 tablespoons water
4-5 pre-rolled pastry sheets
1 egg beaten with 1 tablespoon milk



DIRECTIONS

Preheat the oven to 140°C conventional bake. Cut the lamb shoulder into large 5-6cm chunks. Season the lamb with salt and pepper, then fry in 2-3 batches until browned all over. Transfer to a casserole dish. Add the butter and a splash of oil along with the onion, celery, capsicum and kumara to frying pan. Cook, stirring, until everything is soft and starting to caramelize. Add the garlic and rosemary and cook for another couple of minutes. Add the stock, tomato paste, lemon juice and zest and stir to combine. Pour over the lamb and mix gently to combine. Cover the dish with a lid (or 2 layers of tinfoil) and bake in the oven for 3½ - 4 hours. Remove from the oven and let cool slightly. Stir through the spinach and corn flour mixture. Taste and season as required. Increase the oven temperature to 200°C fan bake (220°C conventional).

To assemble line 4-6 greased small pie dishes (or one large dish) with pastry. Add with egg and cut a couple of air holes. Bake in the lower half the filling, brush the bottom pastry edges with some of the egg, cover with a pastry lid and press to seal. Brush the top of the oven for 20-30 minutes, or until the pastry is dark golden brown and cooked through. Serve with a salad and tomato relish or chutney.

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Lake County Winery Association hires new Executive Director

Kelseyville, CA (November 1, 2017) —Today, the Lake County Winery Association announced the hiring of Maria Brunn as Executive Director for the regional trade association. Brunn comes to this position from Sonoma County Vintners where she managed operations and finances for the nonprofit trade association with 250 winery members. As Business Operations Manager, Brunn not only managed all legal and financial reporting, HR, and IT needs, but also was an integral part of the Sonoma County Barrel Auction team and traveled nationally and internationally to promote Sonoma County wines.

Prior to her role at Sonoma County Vintners, Brunn worked in marketing and operations at the wine industry trade publication, *Wines & Vines*. She built responsive websites for the company's trade events, created widely distributed newsletters and represented the company at wine industry conferences. A native of Northern California's wine country, Brunn earned a B.A. in History from Sonoma State University. She also completed the U.C. Davis Wine Executive Program in 2015 and is sitting for the WSET 3 exam this coming year.

"I am so excited to have this opportunity," Brunn says. "Lake County is perfectly positioned for growth in this market. With over 9,400 acres planted to winegrapes, the volcanic soil and high elevation vineyards have led to wines of character and distinction and I am looking forward to elevating the profile of Lake County's outstanding wines and this beautiful region."

About Lake County Winery Association
The Lake County Winery Association is a non-profit organization founded in 2007 by a dozen wineries. Today, LCWA serves over 40 vintners and associate members who share a mission to promote awareness of Lake County's excellent wine industry, high elevation wines and tourism opportunities. Through partnerships with the County of Lake, the Lake County Winegrape Commission and other organizations, LCWA strives to promote the County's unique and distinct rural attributes—our lake, our mountain, our air, and our land. LCWA is committed to sustainable farming and winery operation practices and is committed to our community and its members. To learn more about LCWA, visit ww.lakecountywineries.org or email director@lakecountywineries.org.

Wolf Pack makes first confirmed Livestock Kill in California

California has experienced its first confirmed livestock depredation by wolves since the gray wolf returned to the state in 2011.

A livestock loss determination report issued Oct. 20 by the California Department of Fish and Wildlife confirmed that one week earlier, Oct. 13, the Lassen Pack of wolves killed a cow on private property in western Lassen County. Data from a GPS tracking device worn by the breeding female of the Lassen Pack—known as LAS01F—confirms the wolf was present at the site for at least six hours on the night the 600-pound yearling heifer was killed.

According to the CDFW report, "wolf tracks were observed within the area," including "kick marks and disturbed ground consistent with a struggle." It was evident that wolves had killed the heifer, the report said, because of the location and nature of the bite marks, many of which were more than an inch deep.

"Frustratingly, current California law provides ranchers and CDFW very few tools for deterring and managing wolves," California Cattlemen's Association President Dave Daley said. "Under current law, we have extremely limited options for protecting our livestock."

Livestock groups also criticized CDFW for declining to announce the wolf kill.

"It's important for Californians to understand the full implications of the wolf's return," California Farm Bureau Federation President Paul Wenger said. "CDFW has been more than willing to notify the public when it identifies a new pack or when wolves have pups. People need to recognize wolves not as cute woodland creatures but as predators that kill."

CFBF and CCA have sued the California Fish and Game Commission to overturn its decision to list the gray wolf as an endangered species in California, which would allow more flexibility in wolf management.

Although the Oct. 13 incident marked the first confirmed livestock kill by a wolf, suspected kills occurred on four other occasions between Sept. 19 and Sept. 30, each reported by the same Lassen County rancher whose cow suffered the confirmed kill this month. CDFW did not confirm any of those incidents, but GPS data and eyewitness reports place the Lassen Pack near the cattle at the time.

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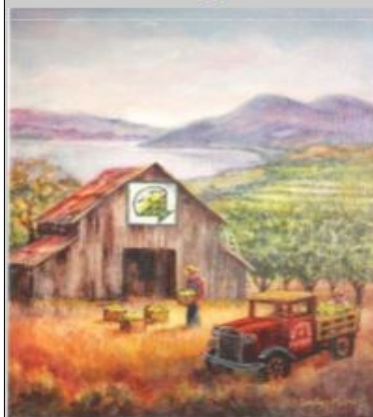
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(From USDA, page 8)

Compensation is also available to producers who purchased coverage through the Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance Program, which protects non-insurable crops (including native grass for grazing) against natural disasters that result in lower yields, crop losses or prevented planting. Federal crop insurance protects producers against losses due to natural perils, such as wildfires. The program, administered by RMA, offers several plans for crops and livestock in California. Those who purchased Federal crop insurance will be paid for covered losses. Federal crop insurance benefits not just our rural economy, but the financial strength of the nation, by helping America's farmers and ranchers overcome unexpected events and catastrophes. Producers with coverage should contact their insurance agent for questions regarding claims

Watershed Assistance

USDA assists communities with rebuilding efforts following imminent hazards to life and property caused by natural disasters. Through the Emergency Watershed Protection (EWP) Program, NRCS works with local government entities and Tribes in impacted counties to remove debris, stabilize streambanks, fix water control structures, among other practices.

"EWP allows us to provide immediate assistance to communities to mitigate potential hazards to life and property resulting from the fires," said Tarver with NRCS. "It is work we can do with a local sponsor to help a damaged watershed channel water and mitigate erosion so that lives and property are protected and additional hardships are not heaped upon the devastated community."

With the high potential for winter rains, burned areas are at greater risk for erosion and mudflows and EWP-type services are key to preventing further damage. The program requires local government bodies or other sponsor to assist with on-the-ground work including concrete barriers and debris basins, mulching, straw wattles, and other damage control measures.

More Information

For more information on available NRCS, FSA or RMA assistance, contact a local field office, or visit www.usda.gov.



Don't miss the annual Grape, Nut & Tree Fruit Expo coming to the Big Fresno Fairgrounds on November 14th, put on by American Vineyard, California Fresh Fruit, and Pacific Nut Producer Magazines.

The Expo will feature educational grower seminars, and state of the grape, nut, and tree fruit industry addresses by Gary Schulz of the Citrus Research Board, Ian LeMay of the California Fresh Fruit Association, Cindy Plummer of the California Table Grape Commission, Nat DiBuduo of Allied Grape Growers, Barry Kriebel of Sun-Maid Growers, Richard Matoian of American Pistachio Growers, Jon Field of the Walnut Bargaining Association, Mark Hendrixson of the California Pecan Growers association and Kelly Covello of the Almond Alliance of California. A complimentary breakfast and lunch will be provided.

These shows provide a great environment for the industry to get together, celebrate the harvest, enjoy some good food, get five hours of educational credits and have a great time. Registration is FREE and will begin at 7:00 a.m., and the meeting will conclude at 2 p.m. Be sure to come on time to take advantage of the continuing education credits for qualified applicators and private applicators

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Asleep at the Wheel

Driver error plays a significant role in tractor-trailer rollover crashes, as does the lack of onboard electronic stability control (ESC) systems. When you combine the two, you have a recipe for disaster that could potentially impact everyone who shares the road with these vehicles.

Consider the Following Case Study Reported as a Claim:

The insured was driving a semi pulling a tanker full of coconut oil at approximately 40 m.p.h. when he fell asleep at the wheel. In just a few short seconds, the truck, which wasn't fitted with ESC, had drifted dangerously onto the shoulder. When he woke up and attempted to get back on the road, he overcorrected—causing the unit to rollover on its side.

The force of impact caused the tank to rupture and release all 7,000 gallons of coconut oil, which flowed into a drainage ditch and underground affecting a 5-block area. The semi and tanker were a total loss and the coconut oil had to be dug out of the drainage ditches and drainage pipes. The clean-up cost was in excess of \$500,000.



According to the [Insurance Institute for Highway Safety](#) and the U.S. [National Highway Traffic Safety Administration](#), one-third of fatal accidents could be prevented by the use of technology.

Key Factors in Causing the Accident

- Driver Error: Driving while fatigued
- Making a quick maneuver (overcorrecting) pulling on the truck's center of gravity
- Lack of ESC
- The system could have mitigated severe oversteer by automatically applying brake force at selected wheel-ends to help maintain directional control of a vehicle.
- Through not required, older trucks can be retrofitted with ESC.

Risk Management Recommendations

Educate drivers about operating while fatigued. The driver may have been legal for hours of service, however that does not relieve him of duty to be well rested when reporting for work.

Educate dispatchers and supervisors to recognize symptoms of driver fatigue and to monitor drivers to take appropriate breaks throughout the day to combat fatigue.

Educate drivers on the correct way of returning to the roadway when they drift off. Trailers will dig in more if the tractor is turned back to the road. The driver should remain straight and bring the unit to a complete stop before maneuvering the vehicle onto the road.

Equip vehicles with ESC.

Equip vehicles with lane departure warning system.

For more on this topic, read our full-length article on [MyNSightOnline.com](#).

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