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CALENDAR ITEM

2015 CDFR/UC Nitrogen Management Training Scheduled for California Certified Crop Advisers (CA CCAs)

The University of California Agriculture and Natural Resource (UC ANR) will be joining with the California Department of Food & Agriculture (CDFR) FREP once again to offer nitrogen management certification training to CA CCAs in early 2015. The training is available to CCAs who did not get certified in 2014.

The CA CCA program has been identified as an ideal resource to assist growers with developing nitrogen management plans and implementing best management practices. The main goal of the training program is to facilitate CA CCA's understanding of sound nitrogen management practices and make informed recommendations to growers. The training will cover 1 ½ days, with the first day being a general session focused on identifying the key objectives, nitrogen cycle in crop production systems, nitrogen sources, irrigation & nitrogen management, nitrogen budgeting and future resources. The second morning will have concurrent sessions with emphasis on annual and permanent crops and will include nitrogen planning practices. To be certified, you must attend both days of training. Note: The February 24-25, 2015 training in San Luis Obispo may be annual crops only on day 2 (TBD).

Registration will be online only at <https://capcaed.com/> – no on-site sign ups accepted.

Registration will be available by October 15, 2014.

Three seminar locations: Fresno, San Luis Obispo and Sacramento (***Seating is limited***)

January 13-14, 2015 FRESNO - Day 1 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Ramada Inn Fresno (University) **Day 2 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.**

Shaw Rooms A,B,C

324 E Shaw Ave

Fresno, CA 93710

February 24-25, 2015 SAN LUIS OBISPO - Day 1 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Courtyard by Marriott

Day 2 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Grand Ballroom

1605 Calle Joaquin Rd

San Luis Obispo, CA 93405

March 10-11, 2015 SACRAMENTO - Day 1 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Sacramento Scottish Rite Temple

Day 2 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Bruno Room

6151 H Street

Sacramento, CA 95819

******Limited seating at each seminar location******

- **Seminar fee will be \$160.00 covering lunch on day one and 11 CCA CEU hours.**
- ***No refunds***; site transfer for this training series will depend solely on seating availability.
- **Must be a current CCA in good standing, or a CCA Candidate in the credential process (must have passed both the International and State exams), and attendance is mandatory for the 1 & ½ day seminar to be authorized to consult on nitrogen mitigation planning for Regional Water Quality Control Board, Irrigated Lands Regulatory Program (see http://waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/agriculture/) purposes.**
- CDFR will maintain certification status for all CCAs attending one of the three seminars in 2015.

CAPCA is providing the registration and administrative services for the nitrogen management certification seminars.

If you have specific questions, please contact Joyce Basan at joyce@capca.com or call (916) 928-1625 x201.