ALMOND SOIL SUMMIT

March 31, 2022

Chico State University Ag Pavilion

[recorded & potential simultaneous streaming]

Target Audiences: growers, PCAs, CCAs

Format: topical panel discussions composed of mix of growers, CCAs, experts with emphasis on experiences (why, how, impact). Very few presentations.

Draft Agenda

7:30-8:30 am Registration & coffee/donuts

8:30 am Opening remarks
   ABC
   Cynthia Daley, Chico State

8:45 am Soils 101
   Karl Wyant, Western Region Certified Crop Advisors
   Bill Brush (invited) Why it matters for almond trees

9:45 am Soil chemistry – Sebastian Saa (ABC) to coordinate
   • Jerome Pier, PhD CCA PCA, Senior Agronomist, QualiTech Plant Nutrition
   • Tom Bottoms, Manager and Partner, Timothy and Viguie Farming & El Molino Farms
   • Blake Sanden, University of California Coop Extn Irrigation/Soils Advisor Emeritus

10:30 am Soil structure & irrigation – Tom Devol (ABC) to coordinate
   • Luke Milliron invited
   • Mae Culumber (WOR & WUE)

11:15 am Soil biology – Josette Lewis (ABC) to coordinate
   • Vivian Wauters, UC Davis
   • Kat Jarvis Sheen (or a grower she recommends), UCCE
   • Karl Wyatt, Heliea & Western CCA (tentative)

12:00 pm Lunch provided & expo (invitation only table top displays/materials from companies & organizations)
12:45 pm  Soil pest & disease management (incl. weeds) – Gabriele Ludwig (ABC) to coordinate
   • Greg Browne
   • Western CCA expert (tentative)

1:15 pm  Above & beyond the soil – Josette to organize coordinate
   • Amelie Guadin, UC Davis (soil carbon)
   • Rory Crowley, Project Apis m. (pollinator benefits)
   • Alan Burwell, SelectHarvest (marketing)
   • KindBar (tentative)

2:00 pm  Adjourn