



WSREC Spring Field Day, Small Grain and Forage Field Tours

Meet with Extension Specialists, researchers, Farm Advisors, and industry to assess Central California’s Cereal and Alfalfa Forage Varieties and disease tolerance for 2009. In addition, switchgrass, biofuel, dry beans, and in-line sprinkler irrigation research will be presented at the Westside Research and Extension Station.

Session One: **Thursday, May 7, 2009**
Milky Way Dairy – North of Visalia
8:00 – 9:30 AM

Wheat and triticale varieties for forage will be seen on a large scale: Trial results from the last two seasons, weed control, and rust management will be discussed by Farm Advisor Steve Wright, Tulare County UC Cooperative Extension, and industry representatives Gene Askland and Jim Kautz.

Complimentary breakfast sponsored by RSI & Penny-Newman

Session Two: **Thursday, May 7, 2009**
Westside Research and Extension Station – Five Points, CA
9:00 AM – 12:00 NOON

9:00 – 9:20 No-till Crop Study Under Linear Sprinkler – *Dr. Jeff Mitchell and Dan Munk.*

9:20 – 9:40 Dry Bean studies: Fungicide Evaluation for Disease Management – *Dr. Shannon Mueller.*

9:40 – 10:40 Biofuel Crops Study and Switchgrass Early Production Practices for California - *Dr. Bruce Lindquist, Dr. Bob Hutmacher, Dr. Dan Putnam.*

10:40 – 11:00 Alfalfa Variety trial – *Dr. Dan Putnam and Dr. Shannon Mueller, Fresno UCCE.*

11:00 – 12:00 PM Wheat (common and durums), triticale, barley variety trials. Observe a nitrogen study with seed treated with rizobium, compared to flower stage foliar N, and a fungicide study in wheat – *Farm Advisor Steve Wright, Tulare County UC Cooperative Extension; Phil Mayo, UC Davis; and industry representatives, Gene Askland and Jim Kautz.*

Lunch follows sponsored by RSI & Penny-Newman

Directions to Milky Way Dairy: From Hwy 99 take Hwy 198 east 2 miles; exit Plaza Street North; continue north on Plaza as it turns to Road 80; continue north past the county landfill; turn left immediately after crossing St. Johns River and follow the signs.

2.0 PCA hours pending; 1.5 CCA hours approved Session One; 3.0 CCA hours approved Session Two.

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