



**Texas Agricultural
Lifetime Leadership Program**

**Class XIII
Session 6 - California
October 14 - 18, 2013**

*“Employment, Emigration,
Environment”*



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Lodging for Monday night: Courtyard Sacramento Airport Natomas
 2101 River Plaza Drive, Sacramento, CA 95833 | (916) 922-1120
<http://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/sacch-courtyard-sacramento-airport-natomas/>
 If rooms are not available for early check in, the hotel will hold your luggage.
Shuttle Service: Hotel offers complimentary airport shuttle from the Sacramento International Airport (SMF) between the hours of 4:00 a.m. – 11:00 p.m.
 Shuttle Phone: 916-922-1120. Courtesy phone available.

Monday – October 14, 2013

Presiders:**Debra Barrett and Casey Cook**
Attire:**Business Casual**
Transportation:.....**Charter Bus**
Lunch:.....**Working lunch at the California Farm Bureau Federation**

AGRICULTURE POLICY

- 12:00 p.m. Meet in the lobby of the **Courtyard Sacramento Airport Natomas**
 2101 River Plaza Drive, Sacramento, CA | (916) 922-1120.
 Board bus.

- 12:15 p.m. Bus departs to the **California Farm Bureau Federation Headquarters**
 Address: 2300 River Plaza Drive, Sacramento, CA 95833

- 12:30 p.m. Meet in the Board Room for a **working lunch**.
California Agricultural Policy Briefing..... **Mr. Paul Wenger**
 President, California Farm Bureau Federation
 CALP Class17

- California Air Policy Issues**.....**Ms. Cynthia Cory**
 Director, Environmental Affairs, California Farm Bureau Federation
 CALP Class 23

- 1:30 p.m. Bus departs to the **California Department of Food and Agriculture**
 Address: 1220 N Street, Sacramento, CA

Presiders:**Kody Bessent and Linda Jordens Galayda**

Monday – October 14, 2013 continued

- 2:00 p.m. Meet in Room 133. Sign in with security upon arrival.
California Agricultural Policy Briefing.....**Secretary Karen Ross**
Secretary of the California Department of Food and Agriculture
- 2:45 p.m. Bus departs to the **California Cattlemen Association**
1221 H Street, Sacramento, CA 95814 – Conference Room
- 3:00 p.m. **California Cattlemen’s Association Policy Briefing**
..... **Mr. Justin Oldfield**
Vice President, Government Relations, California Cattlemen’s Association
- 4:00 p.m. Bus departs to the **Courtyard Sacramento Airport Natomas**
2101 River Plaza Drive, Sacramento, CA | (916) 922-1120
<http://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/sacch-courtyard-sacramento-airport-natomas/>
- Dinner: On your own

Tuesday – October 15, 2013

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| <p>Presiders:Sally Oglesby Harris and Heath Hill Attire:Business Casual, long pants, flat-soled, closed toed shoes Transportation:.....Charter Bus Breakfast..... On Your Own</p> |
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CHECK OUT OF HOTEL!

WATER

- 6:45 a.m. Meet in hotel lobby and board bus.
(Ara Azhderian and Jason Peltier will accompany the bus)
- Program planned by:**Mr. Ara Azhderian**
Water Policy Administrator, San Luis Delta Mendota Water Authority
California AgLeadership Fellow (42)
- Depart on bus tour of **Sacramento-San Jouquin Delta** guided by: ...
.....**Mr. Jason Peltier**
Chief Deputy General Manager, Westlands Water District
<http://www.westlandswater.org>
- Precise route TBD
- 9:00 a.m. Arrive for tour of the **Jones Pumping Plant and Tracy Fish Facility**
Address: 15990 Kelso Road, Byron, CA 94514

Tuesday – October 15, 2013 continued

Program.....Mr. Steve Larsen
Maintenance Manager, San Luis & Delta-Mendota Water Authority
<http://www.sldmwa.org>

10:00 a.m. Depart for tomato processing plant

11:30 a.m. Arrive for a tour of **Ingomar Packing Company**
(Processors of diced and paste tomatoes)
Address: 9950 S Ingomar Gr., Los Banos, CA

Program.....Mr. Jim Murphy
Vice President of Operations, Ingomar Packing Co.
<http://www.ingomarpacking.com>

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| Presiders:Shelley Heinrich and Wade King |
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12:30 p.m. Depart for lunch

12:45 p.m. Arrive **Woolgrowers Restaurant**
Address: 609 H St, Los Banos, CA

Lunch sponsored by..... San Luis Delta Mendota Water Authority

California Water Issues Briefing.....Mr. Mike Wade
Executive Director, California Farm Water Coalition
<http://www.farmwater.org/>

1:45 p.m. Depart for almond processing plant.

2:00 p.m. Arrive at **RPAC custom almond hulling and processing plant.**
Address: 21490 Ortigalita Rd, Los Banos, CA

Program.....Paul & David Parreira, Dennis Soares
RPAC LLC
<http://www.rpacalmonds.com/>

3:00 p.m. Depart for San Luis Reservoir

3:30 p.m. Arrive at **Romero's Visitor Center**
Address: State hwy 152, Los Banos, CA

California Water 101 and wrap up..... Mr. Ara Azhderian
Water Policy Administrator, San Luis Delta Mendota Water Authority
California AgLeadership Fellow (42)

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- 4:00 p.m. Bus departs to **Monterey Marriott**
350 Calle Principal, Monterey, CA 93940 | (831) 649-4234
<http://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/mryca-monterey-marriott/>
- 5:30 p.m. Arrive at hotel.
- Dinner: On your own.
(Many options include Fishermen’s Wharf and Cannery Row)

Wednesday – October 16, 2013

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| Presiders: | Lindsay Kennedy and Kelly Kettner |
| Attire: | Business Casual |
| Transportation: | Charter Bus |
| Breakfast: | On Your Own |
| CHECK OUT OF HOTEL! | |

DOLE FRESH VEGETABLES and FOOD SAFETY

- 8:30 a.m. Meet in hotel lobby and board bus.
(Ms. Nye Hardy, Dole representative, will be with bus to take them to site)

Program planned by**Ms. Nye Hardy**
Senior Food Safety Manager, Dole Fresh Vegetables
- NOTE: Pre-reading for this tour would be best. To familiarize yourself with the California Leafy Greens Marketing Agreement, go to:
<http://www.caleafygreens.ca.gov/>
- 9:15 a.m. Arrive at field for tour of **harvest operations**
Gonzales, CA (Location to be announced)
- 9:15 -10:00 Field Tour
- 10:00 a.m. Load bus to go to **Dole Fresh Vegetables Value-Added Plant**
- 10:15 a.m. Arrive at plant.
Dole Fresh Vegetables Value Added Plant
Address: 32655 Camphora-Gloria Road, Soledad, CA 93960
- 10:15-11:15 Plant tour, including CATWALK
- 11:30 a.m. End of Dole Fresh Vegetables tour.

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AG MARKETING

11:45 a.m. Tour of **Creekside Farms**
(Produces natural artisanal wreaths and garlands)
Address: 42195 Oak Avenue, Greenfield, CA 93297 | (831) 674-1234
<http://www.creeksidefarms.com/index>

Tour **Mr. Allen Umbarger**
General Manager, Creekside Farms

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| Presiders: Matt Tyler and Chase Tyndell |
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VITICULTURE ON THE CENTRAL COAST

12:30 p.m. Depart to **Scheid Vineyards, Inc.**
Address: 1972 Hobson Ave Greenfield, CA 93927 | (831) 455-9990
<http://www.scheidvineyards.com/>

1:00 p.m.: **Lunch sponsored by:.....Scheid Vineyards, Inc.**

2:00 p.m. **Tour of Scheid Vineyards, Inc.....Mr. Tyler Scheid**
Technology Coordinator, Scheid Vineyards

4:00 p.m. Depart to **Harris Ranch Inn and Restaurant**
24505 West Dorris Street, Coalinga, CA, (559) 935-0717
http://www.harrisranchbeef.com/index_hub.html

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| Presiders.....Mary Jane Buerkle and Brandon Grooms |
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7 p.m. Dinner at Harris Ranch
(Outdoor Courtyard Area - the room is surrounded with walls and can be heated but it is open-air)

Dinner: Sponsored by:... California Cotton Ginners and Growers Association

Program:
.....**Mr. Don Cameron**
Vice President and General Manager, Terranova Ranch, Inc.

.....**Mr. Earl Williams**
President and CEO, California Cotton Ginners and Growers Association

Thursday, October 17, 2013

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| Presiders: Joe Osterkamp and Jeremy Seiger |
| Attire: Business Casual |
| Transportation: Charter Bus |
| Breakfast: Belmont Room |

CHECK OUT OF HOTEL!

SALINITY, CITRUS AND AIR QUALITY

- 7:00 a.m. Meet in the **Belmont Room**.
Westside Salinity Issues Briefing.....**Mr. John Diener**
President, Red Rock Ranch, Inc.
(CALP Class 20)
- 8:00 a.m. Board bus and depart to **Red Rock Ranch, Inc.**
Address: 15822 West Oakland Avenue, Five Points, CA
Arrive at Red Rock Ranch to see pilot project dealing with salinity issues.
- 9:45 a.m. Board bus for **Exeter-Ivanhoe Citrus Assn**
Address: 901 Rocky Hill Drive in Exeter, CA
- 11:00 a.m. Tour Exeter-Ivanhoe Citrus Assn. (Large co-operative packing house)
.....**Mr. Paul Story**
Director of Grower Services, California Citrus Mutual
- 11:45 a.m. Board bus and depart to a briefing by **California Citrus Mutual**.
Meeting will be held at the Exeter Memorial Building,
324 N Kaweah Ave, Exeter, CA

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| Presiders: Kevin Proctor and Brady Miller |
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- Lunch: **Lunch sponsored by:**.....**California Citrus Mutual**
- 12:00 p.m. **Labor and Regulatory Issues Facing the Citrus Industry**.....
.....**Mr. Joel Nelsen**
President, California Citrus Mutual
- TBD: **Drip Irrigation – plant tour or field tour (tentative)**
- TBD: Travel to **Sequoia National Park (tentative)**
- TBD: Depart to **Holiday Inn Express**
650 West Shaw Avenue, Clovis, CA 93612, (559) 297-0555
<http://www.ihg.com/holidayinnexpress/hotels/us/en/clovis/fatzz/hoteldetail>
- Dinner: On your own

Friday, October 18, 2013

Session Adjourned

**Breakfast:Hotel offers complimentary breakfast.
Shuttle Service.....Hotel provides complimentary shuttle service to and from
Fresno Yosemite International Airport (FAT). Operating hours are 5 am – 11 pm.**

CHECK OUT OF HOTEL!

*A special thank you to the California Agricultural Leadership
Foundation and Darlene Din, Ag Land Use & Public Policy
Consultant for her hard work, effort and time spent planning this
session.*

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