



**Texas Agricultural
Lifetime Leadership Program**

**Class XIV
Session 6 - California
October 26 - 30, 2015**

*“Employment, Emigration,
Environment”*



Texas Agricultural Lifetime Leadership
TALL XIV - Session 6 – California
“Employment, Emigration, Environment”
October 26-30, 2015

Monday – October 26, 2015

Presiders:**Brad Stufflebeam & Eric Turpen**
Attire:**Business Casual / Closed-Toe, Rubber Soled Shoes / No Heels**
Transportation:.....**Charter Bus**
Lunch:.....**Subway sandwiches will be delivered and eaten on the bus.**

12:00 p.m. Meet in the lobby **La Quinta Inn & Suites San Francisco Airport West**
1390 El Camino Real, Millbrae, CA 94030 | 650-952-3200
<http://www.laquintasanfranciscoairportwest.com/en/home.html>

Lunch - Subway sandwiches will be delivered and eaten on the bus.

12:30 p.m. Bus departs to the Port of Oakland
Address: 530 Water Street, Oakland, 94607 | 510/627-1100

1:15 p.m. **Port of Oakland Overview and Discussion**.....**Matt Davis**
Government Affairs Director, Port of Oakland

2:15 p.m. Depart for **Seaport Driving Tour**.

3:15 p.m. Group departs for Ruhstaller Farm & Yard
Address: 8949 Olmo Lane, Dixon, CA 95620 | 530/601-8240
Exit 69 off I-80 (Kidwell Rd) just west of Davis

Presiders:**Cody White & Matt Gruhlkey**

Arrive between 4:15 p.m.- 5:00 p.m. (depending on traffic)
Upon arrival, tour of **Ruhstaller Farm & Yard (Hop Farm)**

NOTE: Beer tasting on your own.

6:15 p.m. Bus departs for downtown Davis, CA for dinner.
(Approximately 15 minutes to Davis)

Dinner Suggestion: Bus drops off group in downtown Davis, CA (college town) with dinner on your own. Small restaurants, fast food, etc. available. Come in on 1st Street by Amtrak Station (drop off and pick up). Possible parking for bus in Amtrak Station area.

Monday – October 26, 2015 continued:

8:30 p.m. Bus departs for hotel – Courtyard Sacramento Airport Natomas.
(Approximately 30 minutes)

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/>

Tuesday – October 27, 2015

Presiders:Steven Kahla & Brad Lubbers
Attire:Business Casual / Closed-Toe Shoes
Transportation:.....Charter Bus
Breakfast...On Your Own. (Suggestion: The Bistro in the hotel opens at 6:00 a.m.)
NOTE:....Please leave pocket knives and any other items that will not pass through security in the airport in your suitcase. They are not allowed in the Capitol.
CHECK OUT OF HOTEL!

Today’s portion of the session was coordinated by..... Noelle Cremers
Natural Resources & Commodities, Governmental Affairs
California Farm Bureau Federation | CALP Class 35

7:15 a.m. Meet in hotel lobby and board bus.

7:30 a.m. Bus departs for Center for Land Based Learning
Address: 5265 Putah Creek Road, Winters, CA 95694

8:30 a.m. **Tour of Center for Land Based Learning.....Mary Kimball**
Executive Director, Center for Land-Based Learning | CALP Class 32

9:30 a.m. Bus departs for the **California Farm Bureau Federation Headquarters**
Address: 2300 River Plaza Drive, Sacramento, CA 95833

10:30 a.m. Meet in the Board Room
California Agricultural Policy Briefing.....Paul Wenger
President, California Farm Bureau Federation | CALP Class17

Presiders:Mariano Lerma & Mary Luedeker

Working lunch hosted by..... .California Farm Bureau Federation

Tuesday – October 27, 2015 continued

12:15 p.m. Bus departs to the **California Department of Food and Agriculture**
Address: 1220 N Street, Sacramento, CA

1:00 p.m. Meet in Room 133. Sign in with security upon arrival.
California Agricultural Policy Briefing..... **Karen Ross**
Secretary of the California Department of Food and Agriculture
.....**Craig McNamara**
President of the California State Board of Food and Agriculture | CALP Class 28

2:00 p.m. **Walk to the California State Capitol.**
Address: 1315 10th St, Sacramento, CA 95814

2:15 p.m. Meet in Room 125 of the California State Capitol.
“California Legislature”**Jim Collin**
Chief Consultant for the Assembly Agriculture Committee

3:15 p.m. **Walk to the California Cattlemen Association**
1221 H Street, Sacramento, CA 95814 – Conference Room

Presiders: Zane Nicholson & Rebecca Rivers
--

3:30 p.m. **California Cattlemen’s Association Policy Briefing**
..... **Mr. Justin Oldfield**
Vice President, Government Relations, California Cattlemen’s Association
.....**Emily Rooney**
President, Agricultural Council of California | CALP Class 39
.....**Tricia Geringer**
Vice President of Government Affairs, Agricultural Council of California | CALP Class 43

4:30 p.m. Depart for Lange Twins Winery and Vineyards
Address: 1525 E Jahant Road, Acampo, CA 95220 | 209/334-9780

5:30 p.m. **Tour and wine tasting at LangeTwins Winery and Vineyards.**
.....**Randall Lange**
Partner | CALP Class 14

7:00 p.m. **Dinner sponsored by****LangeTwins Winery and TALL**

8:30 p.m. Bus departs for hotel – Holiday Inn Express. (Approximately 10 minutes)

<u>Lodging for Tuesday night:</u> Holiday Inn Express 1337 East Kettleman Lane, Lodi, CA 95240 Phone: 209/210-0150 hiexpress.com/lo-di-ca
--

Wednesday – October 28, 2015

Presiders:Michelle Moore & Jonah Parker
Attire: Business Casual / Closed-Toe Shoes
Transportation.....Charter Bus
Breakfast:.....Hotel offers a complimentary breakfast starting at 6:00 a.m.
CHECK OUT OF HOTEL!

Today's portion of the session was coordinated by..... ..Deanna van Klaveren
Co-Owner, Generation Growers, Inc. | CLAP Class 32

- 7:45 a.m. Meet in hotel lobby and board bus.
- 8:00 a.m. Depart for Pearl Crop, Inc. (Almond Processing)
Address: 1550 Industrial Drive, Stockton, CA
- 8:30 a.m. **Introduction of Pearl Crop and Facility Tour.....Ulash Turkhan**
CEO, Pearl Crop, Inc. | CALP Class 42
- 10:00 a.m. Depart for Triple E (Nut Orchards)
Address: 7119 E Mariposa Rd, Stockton, CA 95215
- 10:30 a.m. **Tour of Triple E**
- 11:15 a.m. Depart for Oakdale Cheese
Address: 10040 State Highway 120, Oakdale, CA 95361
- 11:45 a.m. **Oakdale Cheese – Tour and Lunch (lunch paid for by TALL)**

Presiders.....Cuatro Strack & Chloe Nunley

- 1:00 p.m. Depart for Don Pedro Recreation Agency with Turlock Irrigation
Address: 10201 Bonds Flat Rd, La Grange, CA 95329
- 2:00 p.m. **Tour Don Pedro Recreation Agency with Turlock Irrigation**
Brief history of the Don Pedro Project and current projects
Tour the power plant
Coordinated by.....Tou B. Her, PE
Assistant General Manager, Water Resources Administration
Turlock Irrigation District | CALP Class 45
- 4:00 p.m. Depart for Generation Growers, Inc.
Address: 305 North Rosemore Avenue, Modesto, CA 95358

Wednesday – October 28, 2015 continued:

- 5:00 p.m. **Tour of Generation Growers, Inc**.....**Roger van Klaveren**
Co-Owner
.....**Deanna van Klaveren**
Co-Owner | CALP Class 32
- 6:00 p.m. **Dinner sponsored by****Generation Growers, Inc.**
- 8:00 p.m. Depart for hotel – Hampton Inn & Suites Modesto/Salida.
(Approximately 15 minutes)

Lodging for Wednesday night:
Hampton Inn & Suites Modesto/Salida
4921 Sisk Rd, Salida, CA 95368
Phone: 209/543-3650 | www.modesto.hamptoninn.com

Thursday, October 29, 2015

Presiders:.....**Travis Thorne & Chad Wetzel**
Attire:**Business Casual / Closed-Toe Shoes**
Transportation:.....**Charter Bus**
Breakfast:.....**Served at 8:30 a.m. at the Hilmar Cheese facility.**
.....**Breakfast Burritos, Fruit, Coffee & Water**
If you need to eat something prior to then, the hotel offers a complimentary breakfast beginning at 6:00 a.m.

Today’s portion of the session was coordinated by..... Chase Hurley
General Manager, San Luis Canal Company | CALP Class 35

- 7:00 a.m. Meet in hotel lobby and board bus.
- 7:15 a.m. Depart for Hilmar Cheese Plant.
Address: 9001 North Lander Ave, Hilmar 95324
- 8:00 a.m. **Bus tour of Hilmar Cheese Plant**
Topics: Milk Processing, Wastewater, Water Quality
.....**Denise Skidmore**
Director of Education and Public Relations, Hilmar Cheese Company, Inc.
- 8:30 a.m. **Breakfast hosted by**.....**Chase Hurley**
General Manager, San Luis Canal Company | CALP Class 35

Thursday, October 29, 2015 continued:

**Presentation:
History of Hilmar Cheese and their Expansion into Texas.**

9:45 a.m. Depart for Wickstrom Dairy.
Address: 5638 Columbus Avenue, Hilmar 95234

9:55 a.m. **Tour of Wickstrom Dairy**
Topics: Dairy Production/Carousel Milk Barn.
.....**Scott Wickstrom**
Owner

10:30 a.m. Depart for Menefee Ranch (local diversified farmer to speak on bus)
Address: 13757 Harmon Rd, Dos Palos, 93620

11:15 a.m. **Tour of Menefee Ranch**
Topics: Beef Production, Grazing, Cattle "Motel".
.....**Scott Menefee**
Owner

BBQ Lunch on site hosted by.....San Luis Canal Company 3

Presiders:Leah Wilkinson & Steven Akers
--

1:00 p.m. Depart for Westside Produce.
Address: 785 12th Street, Firebaugh 93622

1:30 p.m. **Tour of Westside Produce**
**Topics: Pomegranate and Melon Production, Marketing, Sales,
Food Safety/EPA**
.....**Garrett Patricio**
Vice President, Operations & General Counsel | CALP Class 38

2:30 p.m. Depart for Panoche Water District
Address: 52027 W. Althea Ave, Firebaugh 93622

2:45 p.m. **Tour of Panoche Water District.**
**Topics: Brackish Water Reuse; Drain Water Treatment;
Immigration Issues**
.....**Betty Lindeman**
Drain Water Treatment Coordinator and SJRIP Administrative Assistant
for the San Joaquin River Water Quality Improvement Project for
Panoche Drainage District

Thursday, October 29, 2015 continued:

.....**Joe Del Bosque**
Farmer and Vice-Chair of the California Water Commission of Los Banos, CA

4:00 p.m. Depart for Uesugi Farms, Inc. Headquarters
Address: 1020 Highway 25, Gilroy, CA

5:15 p.m. **Tour Uesugi Farms, Inc****Pete Aiello**
General Manager, Uesugi Farms, Inc.

6:30 p.m. Depart for Dinner (TBD) and hotel –
La Quinta Inn & Suites San Francisco Airport West.

Lodging for Thursday night:

La Quinta Inn & Suites San Francisco Airport West
1390 El Camino Real, Millbrae, CA 94030
Phone: 650/952-3200 | <http://www.laquintasanfranciscoairportwest.com/>

Friday, October 30, 2015

Breakfast:Hotel offers complimentary breakfast.
Shuttle Service.....Hotel offers a free airport shuttle service to and from
San Francisco International Airport.

CHECK OUT OF HOTEL!

Session Adjourned

A special thank you to the California Agricultural Leadership Foundation and Darlene Din, Ag Land Use & Public Policy Consultant, CALP Class 35, for her hard work, effort and time spent planning this session.

Signature Sponsor:



PART OF THE FARM CREDIT SYSTEM