



**Texas Agricultural  
Lifetime Leadership Program**

**Class XV  
Session 6 - California  
October 23-27, 2017**

*“Employment, Emigration,  
Environment”*



**Sunday – October 22, 2017**

**Sacramento, CA – Lodging for Sunday night**

Holiday Inn Sacramento Downtown | 300 J STREET|SACRAMENTO|CA 95814  
916-446-7371

**Monday – October 23, 2017**

**Presiders: ..... Daniel Luehrs & Jeff Sarchet**  
**Attire: ..... Business Casual**  
**Transportation..... Charter Bus**  
**Breakfast..... On Your Own : Cyprus Grille (on site) Location: First Floor**

8:00 am Meet in the hotel lobby

8:15 am Bus departs to Bayer Crop Science

8:45 am Arrive at Bayer Crop Science

**Denise C. Manker, Ph.D.**- Denise C. Manker, Ph.D., Technical Product Support,  
Biologics Research at Bayer Division Crop Science

**Sarah Hovinga, Ph.D.** - Senior Scientist, Biologics Project and Product Support,  
Disease Management, Bayer Division Crop Science

10:15 am Depart for California Department of Food and Ag (CDFA)

11:00 am California Agricultural Policy Briefing – State Perspective  
**CDFA Secretary Karen Ross**

12:00 pm Lunch at CDFA Building (Provided)

12:30 pm California Agricultural Policy Briefing – Farm Bureau Prospective:  
**Paul Wenger President, California Farm Bureau Federation**

2:15 pm Depart for Conaway Ranch

**Presiders: ..... Scott Irlbeck & Lacey Hoelting**

2:45 pm Agriculture and the Environment: Efforts to provide Pacific Flyway  
Benefits:  
**Mike Hall, Khara Strum, Craig Garner, Curt McCasland & Craig Isola**

- 3:45 pm Travel to Wallace Weir
- 4:15 pm Agriculture and the Environment: Sacramento Valley Salmon Recovery Program. ....**Lewis Bair, Roger Cornwell and Jacob Katz**
- 5:30 pm Depart for Dinner  
**TBD- Free Evening Dinner on Your Own**
- 8:30 pm Depart for Stockton Hotel

**Lodging for Monday night:**  
 HOLIDAY INN EXPRESS STOCKTON | 5045 KINGSLEY ROAD | STOCKTON|  
 CA 95215 | 209-946-1234

**Tuesday – October 24, 2017**

**Presiders: ..... Alicia Meinzer & Josh Louder**  
**Attire: ..... Business Casual**  
**Transportation..... Charter Bus**  
**Breakfast..... Hotel offers a complimentary breakfast starting at 6:00 a.m.**  
**CHECK OUT OF HOTEL!**

- 7:00 am Meet in hotel lobby and board bus. Depart for Clarksburg Sugar Mill
- 8:00 am Arrive at Clarksburg Sugar Mill
- 9:30 am Arrive at Delta Cross Chanel Gates in Walnut Grove, CA
- 10:15 am Continue South on Delta Channels to South Delta Service Area
- 11:00 am Depart Stockton
- 12:00 pm Lunch hosted by
- 3:00 pm Depart for Duarte Nursery

**Presiders: .....Tom Miller & April Bonds**

- 4-5:30 pm: Duarte Nursery  
Private Property Rights – Pacific Legal Foundation.....**John Duarte**
- 6:00 p.m. Dinner sponsored
- 7:30 pm Bus departs for hotel

**Lodging for Tuesday night:**  
**HOLIDAY INN EXPRESS | 4300 BANGS AVE. | MODESTO | CA 95356 | 209-543-9009**

**Wednesday – October 25, 2017**

**Presiders: .....Clifton Castle & John Coleman Locke**  
**Attire: .....Business Casual**  
**Transportation.....Charter Bus**  
**Breakfast:.....Hotel offers a complimentary breakfast starting at 6:00 a.m.**  
**CHECK OUT OF HOTEL!**

7:45 am Meet in hotel lobby and board bus to depart for G3 Enterprises Inc.

8:00 am **G3 Enterprises Inc.**  
Agricultural Freight and Transportation; The silent partner  
**Yvonne Sams**, Business Development Manager

10:00 am Wickstrom Dairy Inc.: Hilmar Cheese Expansion into Texas  
**Scott Wickstrom – Owner**

11:30 am Depart Wickstorm Dairy

12:30 pm Arrive at San Joaquin River Improvement Project: Lunch will be provided

**Presiders: .....Kyle Watts & Sarah Fitzgerald**

1:00 pm San Joaquin River Improvement Project: Ag Water Reuse:  
**Ara Azhderian**; General Manager Panoche Water District

3:00 pm California Water Supply; A historical perspective: San Luis Canal  
Company Board Room;  
**Chris White, General Manager Central California Irrigation District**

4:30 pm Depart for San Juan Ranches Bunkhouse for Overnight Stay

4:45 pm Arrive at Bunkhouse

6:00 pm BBQ Dinner and Speaker at Bunkhouse  
“An update on Californian Ag Labor: where do we stand today?”  
**Joe Del Bosque**, Farmer and Vice-Chair  
California Water Commission of Los Banos, CA

**Lodging for Wednesday night:**  
**San Juan Ranch Bunkhouse 8021 W. Hutchins Rd., Dos Palos, CA 93620**

**Thursday, October 26, 2017**

**Presiders:.....Patrick Dudley & Cody Harris**  
**Attire: .....Business Casual / Closed-Toe Shoes**  
**Transportation.....Charter Bus**  
**Breakfast.....Breakfast will be provided**

- 7:00 am Meet in hotel lobby and board bus.
- 7:15 am Depart Bunkhouse for Westside Produce
- 8:00 am Westside Produce: Food Safety- A family affair  
**Steve Patricio; Chief Executive Officer**
- 10:00 am Depart for Tanimura and Antle, Inc.
- 12:00 pm Arrive at Tanimura and Antle, Inc.  
Produce harvest operations out in the field.....**Nick Sgheiza**  
Labor Issues and Employee Housing Tour..... **Brian Antle**

**Presiders: .....Heath Reeves & Grant Groene**

- 3:00 pm Depart for Uesugi Farms, Inc.  
**Pete Aiello; General Manager, Uesugi Farms, Inc.**
- 5 pm Depart for hotel  
**TBD- Free Evening Dinner on Your Own**

**Lodging for Thursday night:**

**Wyndham Garden San Jose Airport -1355 N 4th Street | San Jose, CA 95112 | 408-453-5340**

**Friday, October 27, 2017**

**Session Adjourned**

**Breakfast: On Your Own.....(on site restaurant) The Island Grill**  
**Shuttle Service.....Hotel offers a free airport shuttle service to San Jose Airport**  
**CHECK OUT OF HOTEL by 11am!**

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