Kearney Alfalfa & Forage Field Day & SDI Field Tour
Friday, September 12, 2014, Kearney Ag Center, Parlier, CA

7:30 AM  Registration

8:00 AM  Tram leaves for Field Tour

• Varieties – What are the Pest Management, Yield and Quality Traits of Most Importance?
  o Dan Putnam, Alfalfa and Forage Specialist, UC Davis

• Forage and Grain Sorghum Demonstration Plots
  o Jeff Dahlberg, Director, Kearney Agricultural Research and Extension Center

• Forage and Grain Sorghum Irrigation Management Research
  o Bob Hutmacher, Steve Wright, Jeff Dahlberg – UCCE, UCD Plant Sciences, and UC Kearney and West Side Research and Extension Centers

• Characterizing the Nitrogen Benefit of Alfalfa-Wheat Rotations
  o Eric Lin, Graduate Student, Department of Plant Sciences, UC Davis

9:30 AM  Tram returns to the classroom for presentations

• Sharpen and Other Herbicide Options for Weed Control in Alfalfa
  o Kurt Hembree, Farm Advisor, UCCE, Fresno County

• Distribution Uniformity in Surface Irrigation Systems and the Importance of Soil Moisture Monitoring
  o Dan Munk, Farm Advisor, UCCE, Fresno County

• Aphids: Management vs. Control
  o Pete Goodell, Cooperative Extension Advisor, UC Statewide IPM Program

• Small Grain Silage Update
  o Steve Wright, Farm Advisor, UCCE, Tulare and Kings Counties

• Salinity Management in Alfalfa Fields
  o Michelle Leinfelder-Miles, Farm Advisor, UCCE, San Joaquin, Contra Costa, Sacramento, Solano, and Yolo Counties

• The Importance of Non-GE Alfalfa for Export or Organic Production
  o Dan Putnam, Alfalfa and Forage Specialist, UC Davis

12 PM  LUNCH (Sponsored by Netafim)

1:15 PM  Visit Subsurface Alfalfa Drip Irrigation Field at TeVelde Dairy, three miles from 13866 4 th Ave., Hanford, CA. Grower, Irrigation experts will demonstrate and discuss the performance of subsurface drip in alfalfa.

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