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### October 2009



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## **Welcome New Members**

**We would like to "Thank You" for becoming part  
of the Farm Bureau Family.**

## **Attention Navel Orange Growers**

Recently an entirely new federal crop insurance program has been made available to navel orange growers in California, the Navel Orange Actual Revenue History (ARH) program. What this means to growers is additional choices and more affordable options which are based on your individual actual production and revenue history.

The new program, ARH, is a significant improvement over the previous citrus dollar program. It provides more coverage and is designed to be a better risk management tool for your operation. With accurate past production and revenue records, it insures a grower against losses from weather, pest and disease as well as declines in revenue caused by covered perils. But most importantly it uses the revenue you have historically received as the basis for coverage. Provisions are available for organic/transitional practices and non-contiguous ranches.

Here's why this new program is important to you, ARH allows you make better financing decisions knowing your operation will have a revenue floor. This adds a whole new layer of financial security when it comes time to discuss pre harvest financing with a lender or budgeting for next year. For the upcoming (2011 crop

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year) this pilot program is available to Navel orange growers in Fresno, Madera, Kern, and Tulare counties only. It is expected that following this initial pilot phase Navel ARH will be expanded to all citrus growing counties in California. For diversified citrus/navel operations in Ventura, Riverside and San Diego counties, the Adjusted Gross Revenue (AGR) program is available, and provided a similar revenue floor as well.

Loss of revenue & crop damage sometimes unfortunately occur, that's why risk management programs such as these are designed to help your operation make it through. For additional information about ARH, call or visit Golden State Crop at [www.goldenstatecrop.com](http://www.goldenstatecrop.com) (888) 252-9797 or the USDA Risk Management Agency web site. <http://www.rma.usda.gov/pilots/2010pilot.html>



**Staff of the Regional Water Quality Control Board, Santa Ana Region**

*Invites you to a Public Information Meeting on its proposed*

**Conditional Waiver of waste discharge requirements for Agricultural Discharges (CWAD) Program for Growers in the San Jacinto River Watershed**

**Where:** Eastern Municipal Water District Board Room,  
2270 Trumble Road, Perris, CA 92570

**When:** Tuesday, November 17, 2009 - 10:00 am to 12:00 Noon

**Agenda**

10:00-10:10	<b>Welcome and Introduction</b> <i>Gita Kapahi, Office of Public Participation State Water Resources Control Board</i>
10:10-10:30	<b>Cooperative Approach to Protect Water Quality in Agricultural Areas</b> <i>Johnny Gonzales, ILRP Program Coordinator State Water Resources Control Board</i>
10:30-11:15	<b>Proposed Conditional Waiver for Agricultural Discharges in the San Jacinto River Watershed</b> <i>Mark Adelson, Regional Planning Programs Regional Water Quality Control Board-Santa Ana Region</i>
11:15-11:30	<b>WRCAC Activity Update</b> <i>Pat Boldt, Executive Director, WRCAC Bruce Scott, Chairman, WRCAC Western Riverside County Ag. Coalition</i>
11:30-12 Noon	<b>Questions/Answers/Comments</b>

For more information regarding this public information meeting, please contact:

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- Three years of related experience or a Degree in Agriculture
- Strong communication skills
- Disciplined and self motivated
- Able to work alone
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- Bilingual (English & Spanish) a plus

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# Preparing Your Business for H1N1 and Other Infectious Diseases

In response to confirmed cases of H1N1 influenza (swine flu), both the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services and the World Health Organization (WHO) have issued alerts.

Public health officials predict that worker absentee rates will increase over the next several months. This includes not just sick employees, but people who need to care for others who are sick and those who are avoiding the workplace out of fear of getting sick. For some businesses, the impact can be disastrous, so it is crucial for businesses to plan ahead.

Whether you call it business continuity, crisis management, contingency planning, disaster or emergency preparedness, or some other term—it all boils down to making sure your organization is prepared to survive a crisis. This means ensuring that essential business functions are maintained.

In this seminar we will show you the concepts of business continuity planning and how you might apply them to your organization. You will see proven methods for keeping your business in business during a massive workforce loss. We will also explain how to respond to infectious disease emergencies and protect your employees during a pandemic.

**By planning and preparing now, you can mitigate hardships in the future.**

11/3/2009 \* 8:00 a.m. Registration and complimentary breakfast.  
Doubletree Hotel Ontario, 222 N. Vineyard Avenue, Ontario, CA 91764

8:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

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## Speakers

### Michael Petrie, EMT-P, MBA, MA

Michael Petrie is the Director of the Readiness, Operations, Planning and Exercise (ROPE) Program at the Center for Infectious Disease and Emergency Readiness. Michael has extensive experience in emergency preparedness, graduated cum laude with a Bachelors Degree in Management from Saint Mary's College of California, and holds Masters Degrees in Business Administration and Homeland Security and Defense.

### Michael R. Wilkinson, AA

Chief Wilkinson is the Stanislaus County Deputy Fire Warden with responsibility for supervising the Emergency Management Division. In this capacity he also served on the Public Health Emergency Preparedness Council, the Disaster Medical Core Board for Stanislaus County, and as the Operational Area Coordinator to the Governor's Office of Emergency Services.

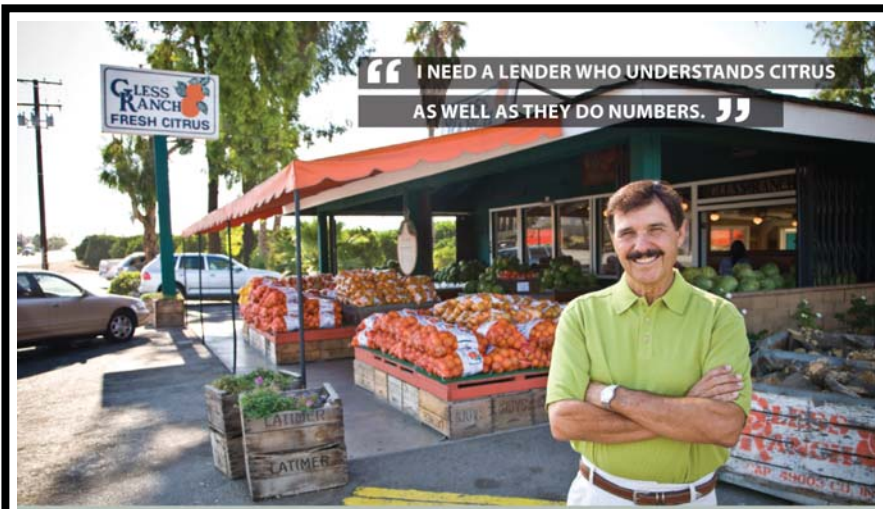
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## Report of the Nominating Committee

In accordance with the Bylaws of Riverside County Farm Bureau, election of officers and directors will be held by voting members at the Annual Meeting on November 8, 2009 at Monteleone Meadows in Murrieta. The Nominating Committee recommends the following Board of Directors for election for the 2010 Membership Year:

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The Riverside County Farm Bureau would like to give many thanks to the members who have contributed to the Auction Support Fund.

With your contribution you have helped these young people continue in learning important life skills, including time management and financial responsibility. We hope that you will continue to support these great organizations with the choices that children have today, FFA, 4-H, and Grange are worth supporting.

Once Again, thank you for all your continued support to these young people.

## Farm Labor Breakfast Briefing



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- Do you have questions about the Cal/OSHA Heat Stress standard?
- Wages and Recordkeeping?
- What should you do when Cal/OSHA, the Department of Industrial Relations or Rural Legal Aid come to your door?
- What should you do to avoid trouble?

**DATE: November 9, 2009 • 8:00 a.m.**

**LOCATION: Riverside County Farm Bureau  
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**For more information, please contact:** Bryan Little, Farm Employers Labor Service. Call (800) 753-9073 or e-mail: [blittle@cfbf.com](mailto:blittle@cfbf.com).

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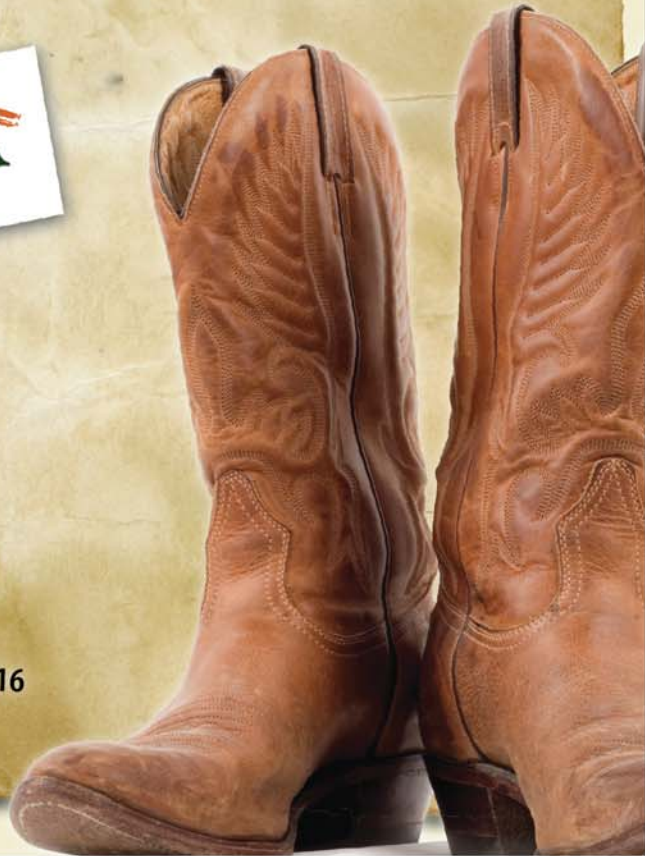
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### 2009 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- \* October 31st – Howl-O-Ween celebration at the Living Desert in Palm Desert beginning at 9 am.
- \* November 8th – RCFB Annual Dinner. Call the office for details.
- \* November 9th – RCFB and FELS Ag Safety Training at the RCFB office beginning at 8 am.
- \* November 12th – Region 1 Caucus – call the RCFB office for details.
- \* November 17th – San Jacinto Watershed Workshop at EMWD beginning at 10 am.
- \* November 19th – Riverside County General Plan Update meeting at the CAC beginning at 9 am.



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