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# **Summer 2009**

July, August, and September



Lake County Extension



# Upcoming Events http://cfextension.ifas.ufl.edu/calendar.shtml

Small Farms Conference August 1 & 2

Certified Pile Burner August 6

Private Applicator License Training and Test August 19

Citrus Expo August 19 & 20

Packinghouse Day August 27

Well 2009 is shaping up to be a very interesting year. First we had two hard freezes, then a prolonged drought followed by 20+ inches of rain in two and half week period. Now that we are headed into the heart of hurricane season, lets hope that the weather treats us all a little better. It seems fruit prices have been creeping up a little of late as well, which is vital in our efforts to manage pest and diseases in Florida citrus production. I encourage you to keep up a good fertilization program to promote tree health and to maximize your fruit production. Your grove is an investment and you want to make sure to keep trees healthy so that you have plenty of fruit when prices come back up. I encourage you to make sure you are taking and sending in leaf tissue samples for analysis so that you know what types and how much nutrients that your trees require.

Don't forget summer is a great time to relax and go to the beach with your family!

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# Interesting early results from greening related research projects.

I am always trying to write something I feel is of value to growers to help them with current problems. Of course greening and controlling its vector the Asian citrus psyllid has been the number one issue on most peoples minds. As we learn more and more, thoughts and ideas begin to clarify or take on more relevance. Two research projects that I have found interesting of late are based on nutrition and production systems. The first is Dr. Bob Rouse's experiment looking at the components of what has been referred to as the "Boyd program". Maury Boyd has been using a cocktail of nutritionals and systemic acquired resistance products (SAR) on one of McKinnon Corporation's groves in Felda for the past 4 years. Many people have visited the grove, our extension program has been twice and I have gone an additional two times. The infected trees seem to be productive even though they have had the disease for sometime. Will the grove eventually quit producing fruit and crash? Most likely, but no one knows for sure. However, so far the observations have been positive. One of the major issues of implementing the "Boyd program" has been the cost of materials.

Dr. Rouse recently presented some of his early observation from an experiment based on the Boyd program. I personally have had the opportunity to view the progress of the trees in these experiments (in the field) and the results look promising. Below is a picture of two trees that were confirmed positive for greening via

December 2007

6-25 E

6-26 E

December 2008

PCR and are located in Dr. Rouse's trial (all trees in the study are greening positive). The top pictures of trees 6-25 and 6-26 were taken in December 2007 the bottom pictures are of the same trees taken in December 2008. All of the trees receive "typical" citrus production fertilization and irrigation. However, 6-25 was supplemented with the components of the "Boyd program" while the 6-26 received just the standard irrigation and fertilizer. Tree 6-26 looks as we expect a greening infected tree to look, while 6-25 has flushed with new leaves and even has set fruit this past season 2009. Dr. Rouse has seen this type of response in multiple trees as the treatment has been replicated. Dr. Rouse is collecting data on number of flush, length of flush, number of set fruit, etc. as part of

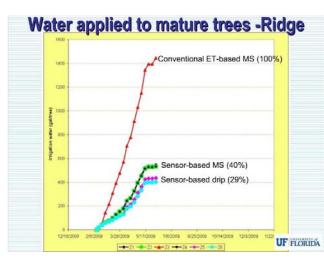
this trial. Those data are not yet available; but I think so far it passes the "eye test", that is something seems to be working. Hopefully, information gleaned through this trial will help eliminate some of the products and lessen the cost. Will nutrition be the ultimate answer to greening? Probably not, but if we can at least keep the trees productive for a longer period of time, we in the citrus industry allow ourselves more time for permanent solutions to be developed. It should be noted that a major component of the "Boyd program" is intensive psyllid control. Researchers feel that psyllid control is important to lessen the effects of greening even when using the "Boyd pro-



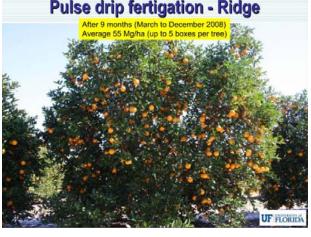
gram" this theory currently being tested by Drs. Rouse and Stansly in the Immokalee area.

Another set of early results that I have found interesting comes from Drs. Schumann, Morgan and Syvertsen's work on the Advanced Citrus Production Systems (ACPS). Recently, a website was added to de-

scribe the purpose and scope of this work it can be found at <a href="http://128.227.177.113/ACPS/Index.html">http://128.227.177.113/ACPS/Index.html</a> or by looking under the research section of the CREC's homepage. The objective of ACPS is "Intensively managed citrus production systems for early high yields and vegetative flush control in the presence of greening and canker diseases". The ACPS takes advantage of new technologies to control irrigation and fertilization in a more precise manner. These techniques have been used successively in other parts of the world but have yet to be proven in Florida climatic conditions.

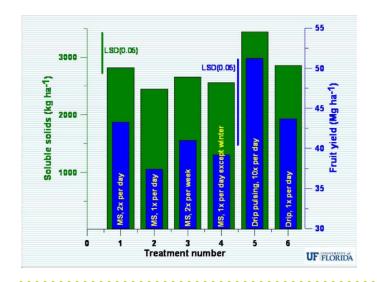


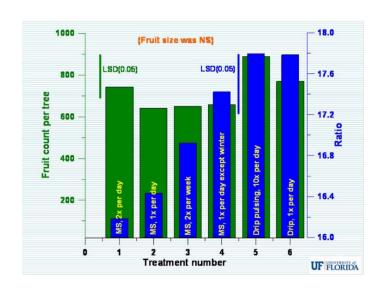
Early results look promising for in-



creasing production per acre. I personally feel this will be necessary for future citrus production due to the increased cost of production in the face of current and future disease and pest pressures. The greatest gains in yield and quality were achieved with the pulsed drip system. An additional added benefit of this system was a water savings of 71%. As you are aware water use in Florida is increasing with an increase in the state's population. Technology that produces more fruit, with better quality, while using less water seems like a winner (see graphs –Mg ha is approximately equivalent to box/acre i.e. 50 Mg/ha = 500 boxes/acre). Another

result was the more efficient use of fertilizer for growing young trees. The ACPS system used 13% than that of the conventional method used by the owner of the grove when comparing ACPS to historical program. With fertilizer prices having risen over the past two years, this represents significant cost savings. I encourage you to look at the ACPS website for more information.





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The vast majority of Florida's nearly 47,463 farms are classified as small farms. Calculated on an area or on an economic basis, nearly 90% of all Florida farms are small farms. Recent increased efforts to meet the educational needs of small farmers in Florida became visible through the work of the University of Florida/IFAS and Florida A&M University Small Farms Focus Team. The Small Farms Conference will be useful and important to small farmers, allied industry representatives, researchers, educators, institutional members, policy-makers, small farm commodity associations, foundations, and other interested in strengthening the small farm community in Florida.



"Sustaining Small Farms; Strengthening Florida's Communities" http://smallfarms.ifas.ufl.edu/floridasmallfarmsconference/index.htm

The Conference includes many activities that benefit small farmers including:

- A general educational session to attract well known speakers on topics of broad interest.
- Concurrent educational sessions (presentations, workshops, hands-on demonstration, and discussion groups)
- will be provided to share results of groundbreaking research and provide educational support for producers to operate sustainable and profitable enterprises.
- A large exhibition area to introduce new products and technologies to small producers will be available. Industry suppliers, allied organizations, educational groups, funding agencies, foundations, and other allied industry representatives with services for small farmers will be encouraged to participate.
- Other activities will include other creative ways to facilitate farmer networking at the Conference.
- All these activities in total will help facilitate networking, dialog, and visioning among members of the Florida small farms community, and to increase awareness of the small farms industry to decision makers, supporting institutions, and the general public.

Saturday – August 1, 2009							
7:00-9:00am	Registration and light morning refreshments						
9:00-10:00am	Cor	nference Kick-Off	f by UF and FAMU	Administrators a	and Innovative Farn	ners	
10:00-10:30am	AM Break, Visit Exhibitors						
10:30am-			CONCURRE	NT SESSIONS			
12:00pm	ALTERNATIVE ENERGY	BUSINESS & MARKETING	HORTICULTURE	LIVESTOCK	ORGANIC & SUSTAINABLE FARMING	POLICY & REGULATIONS	
	Farm Solar Energy Applications	Roadmap to Owning Your Own Business	Blueberry and Strawberry Production	Biosecurity and Farm Food Safety: Keeping the Farm, Animals, and Consumers Safe	Whole-Farm Nutrient Management	Local Food Systems Concepts and Projects	
12:00-1:30pm		Florida's Fin	est: A Celebration	of Local Food.	Lunch Provided		
1:30-1:50pm	W	/elcome Address	by Florida Agricu	lture Commissio	ner Charles Brons	on	
1:50-2:30pm		Ke	eynote Address by	Professor John	lkerd		
2:30-4:30pm			PM Break, \	/isit Exhibitors			
4:30-6:00pm	CONCURRENT SESSIONS						
	Biofuels for Small Farms	Forming Co-Operatives	Producing High- Value Vegetables and Herbs	Pastured Poultry Enterprises: Beyond the Basics	Whole-Farm Pest Management	Local Food Systems Policy	
6:00pm			Adj	ourn			

Sunday – August 2, 2009							
7:30-8:30am	Registration and light morning refreshments						
8:30-10:00am	CONCURRENT SESSIONS						
	ALTERNATIVE ENTERPRISES	MARKETING	HORTICULTURE	LIVESTOCK	ORGANIC & SUSTAINABLE FARMING	POLICY & REGULATIONS	
	21st Century Beekeepers— The Guardians of the Honey Bees	Farm Enterprises To Increase Cash Flow	Low Volume Irrigation for Small Farms	Grass-Fed Beef In Florida: What Is the Potential?	Selecting, Sourcing, and Applying Organic Inputs	Whole Farm Risk Management	
10:00-10:30am			AM Break, \	/isit Exhibitors			
10:30am- 12:00pm	Protected Culture for Specialty Crops	"I'll buy from YOU because"	Stone Fruit and Tropical Fruit Production	Choosing, Building and Repairing the Right Fence for Your Livestock	Accessing the 2008 Farm Bill: Opportunities for Small Farmers	Direct Marketing Regulations	
12:00-2:00pm		Florida's Fin	est: A Celebratior	of Local Food.	Lunch Provided		
2:00-3:30pm	Cut Flower Production	Supplying Intermediate Markets: Taking the Local Food System to the Next Level	Hydroponics for Small Farms	Health Care Management for Farm Animals: What's In Your Toolbox?	How to Conduct Your Own On-Farm Research	Panel for Local Food System Development	
3:30pm			Conferen	ce Adjourns			



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# Leaf and soil sampling for increasing tree health and profits

This past year saw dramatic increases in fertilizer prices. Fertilizer represents a large percentage of a citrus production budget. One of the best practices that you can implement to maximize productivity and minimize expenses is taking a leaf tissue sample. I am surprised by the number of growers that I meet that do not take leaf samples annually. Tissue analysis are very inexpensive and can lead to a more effective fertilization program which can save you money.

Leaf tissue samples provide information about citrus nutrition, it is particularly effective for 1) macronutrients, primarily nitrogen (N) and potassium (K), that readily move with soil water, and 2) the micronutrients copper (Cu), manganese (Mn), zinc (Zn), and iron (Fe). Leaf tissue sampling should be done yearly so that you can monitor the changes in nutritional status over a period of several years.

Table 4.2. Guidelines for interpretation of orange tree leaf analysis based on 4 to 6-month-old spring flush leaves from non-fruiting twigs (Koo et al., 1984).

Element	Unit of measure	Deficient	Low	Optimum	High	Excess
N	%	< 2.2	2.2 - 2.4	2.5 - 2.7	2.8 - 3.0	> 3.0
P	%	< 0.09	0.09 - 0.11	0.12 - 0.16	0.17 - 0.30	> 0.30
K	%	< 0.7	0.7 - 1.1	1.2 - 1.7	1.8 - 2.4	> 2.4
Ca	%	< 1.5	1.5 - 2.9	3.0 - 4.9	5.0 - 7.0	> 7.0
Mg	%	< 0.20	0.20 - 0.29	0.30 - 0.49	0.50 - 0.70	> 0.70
Cl	%			< 0.2	0.20 - 0.70	> 0.701
Na	%				0.15 - 0.25	> 0.25
Mn	mg/kg or ppm²	< 18	18 - 24	25 - 100	101 - 300	> 300
Zh	mg/kg or ppm	< 18	18 - 24	25 - 100	101 - 300	> 300
Cu	mg/kg or ppm	< 3	3-4	5 – 16	17 - 20	> 20
Fe	mg/kg or ppm	< 35	35 - 59	60 - 120	121 - 200	> 200
В	mg/kg or ppm	< 20	20 - 35	36 - 100	101 - 200	> 200
Мо	mg/kg or ppm	< 0.05	0.06 - 0.09	0.10 - 2.0	2.0 - 5.0	> 5.0

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The tables in

this article are from the Nutrition of Florida Citrus Trees 2nd Edition. Edited by: Drs. Tom Obreza & Kelly Morgan. An electronic version of this publication can be found online at <a href="http://edis.ifas.ufl.edu">http://edis.ifas.ufl.edu</a>

Leaf sampling should be done in management blocks no greater than 20 acres. The grove should be sampled to minimize any differences in soil or tree health. The best time to take tissue samples is in the month of August. A typical sample should consist of approximately 100 leaves taken from 6-8 month spring flush leaves that are not on fruiting twigs. Typically samples should be taken from 15-20 trees distributed in different areas of the block. Trees should be the same variety and rootstock.

If you have made a copper spray or micro-nutritional spray prior to sampling, be sure to wash leaves with deionized water prior to sending in for analysis. Small amounts of micro nutrients residuals can have large effects on you results. Also, you do not want to send the leaves wet, drying them before shipping is recommended.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Leaf burn and defoliation can occur at Cl concentration > 1.0%.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>ppm = parts per million.

Soil sampling in

Table 4.3. Adjusting a citrus fertilization program based on leaf tissue analysis.

Florida should be done in August as well. Leaf sampling and soil sampling can be collected at the same time. Soil samples should be taken within the tree row. in an area that is being wetted by the micro sprinkler. Soil cores should be taken 8 inches deep.

Nutrient	What if it is less than optimum in the leaf? Options:	What if it is greater than optimum in the leaf? Options:
N	Check yield.     Check tree health.     Review water management.     Review N fertilizer rate.	Check soil organic matter.     Review N fertilizer rate.
P	1. Apply P fertilizer (see Chapter 8).	1. Do nothing.
К	Increase K fertilizer rate (see Chapter 8).     Apply foliar K fertilizer.	1. Decrease K fertilizer rate.
Ca	Check soil pH.     Check soil test Ca status.     Consider applying lime or soluble Ca fertilizer depending on soil pH.	1. Do nothing.
Mg	Check soil test Mg status.     Check soil pH.     Consider applying dolomitic lime or soluble Mg fertilizer depending on pH.	1. Do nothing.
Micronutrients	Check soil pH and adjust if needed.     Apply foliar micronutrients.     Include micronutrients in soil-applied fertilizer.	Check for spray residue on tested leaves.     Do nothing.

Soil samples should be taken from 15-20 trees in an block (these should be the same trees that you leaf samples were taken from). Again you want to work in blocks less than twenty acres in size with fairly uniform soils. Soil samples should be air dried before shipping. Soil and tissue samples can be sent to the University of Florida's soil laboratories which can be accessed at <a href="http://soilslab.ifas.ufl.edu/pdf%20files/ProducerCitrus.pdf">http://soilslab.ifas.ufl.edu/pdf%20files/ProducerCitrus.pdf</a>. If you were to send in both soil and tissue samples the total cost would be \$27.00.

For more detailed information on leaf and soil sampling for Florida citrus read Citrus Grove Leaf Tissue and Soil Testing: Sampling, Analysis, and Interpretation <a href="http://edis.ifas.ufl.edu/CH046">http://edis.ifas.ufl.edu/CH046</a>

Table 4.4. Interpretation of soil analysis data for citrus using the Mehlich 1 (double-acid) extractant.

•	Soil test interpretation					
ri .	Very Low	Low	Medium	High	Very High	
Element	mg/kg (ppm) <sup>1</sup>					
P	< 10	10 – 15	16 - 30	31-60	> 60	
Mg <sup>2</sup>		< 15	15 - 30	> 30		
Ca <sup>2</sup>			2503	> 250		
Cu			< 254	25 - 50 <sup>5</sup>	> 50°	

Soil and leaf analysis checklist:

- Leaf tissue analysis is valuable for all elements
- Soil analysis is valuable for pH, Ca, P, Mg and Cu.
- Be aware of residuals on leaf surfaces, try to avoid collecting samples from recently sprayed groves
- A sampling program that is conducted annually will be the most successful.
- Leaf and soil analysis interpretations should be used to make fertilization decisions. Wise use of these results will allow for optimal yield and savings.

# Thanks to All of You who support the 4H Citrus Tree project!

We had over 150 4-H youth participate in the Citrus Tree Project this past year. The kids learn about the importance of Florida citrus production. In addition, the kids learn about different citrus varieties, rootstocks, pests and diseases. Also, the kids grow a citrus tree over a course of the year, which are judged and the top 30 are auctioned at the fair. Events included a field day at the Mid Florida Citrus Foundation A.H. Krezdorn grove where youth get to learn about citrus production and pick some fruit (funny there is always a big turnout by parents as well). The 4-H youth work on project books and take a knowledge test as well. There is the Jim Yates horticulturist award (\$500) which is given to the best overall participant. Juniors and Seniors in high school that have participated in the 4-H Citrus Tree Project also are eligible for the John Jackson scholarship to help with college expenses. This is a great project to educate our youth. It would not be possible without the growers who volunteer their time and donate money to help fund the project. I would specially like to thank Bill Lennon, Mickey Page, Wade Beck, Ben Krupski, James Strong, Doug Raymond, Jamie Yates and Martha Yates for their help!! For more info go to our website http://cfextension.ifas.ufl.edu/4h/4h\_tree.shtml

Pictured upper right: 4-H youth picking fruit at the MFCF.

Pictured right: Youth learn about varieties, pests and diseases.

Pictured lower right: Judges inspect trees to determine the grand champion.

Pictured below: 4-H youth show off their citrus trees at the Central Florida Fair and are evaluated by the judges.



# Pictures of recent Extension Activities

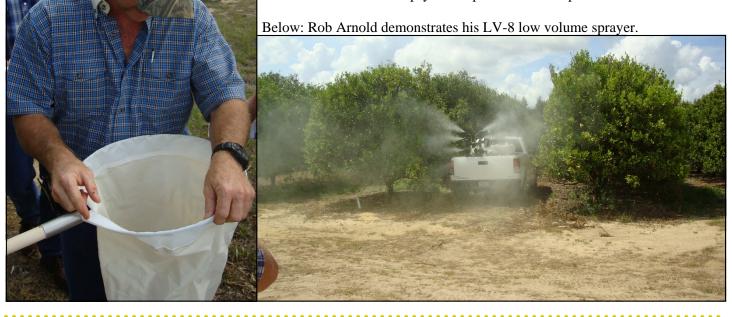


Left: Field Day participants tally up the number of psyllids collected in a sweep net. Dr. Michael Rogers spoke about the importance of psyllid surveying and control. He also discussed his current research efforts at the MFCF. In the background, Dr. Stelinski showed off a prototype of a DMDS (think guava chemical) applicator used to hopefully repel psyllids. Dr. Stelinski is currently evaluating DMDS in the field. Other speakers include Gary England giving an update on peach production and Dr. Steve Futch talking about his experimental herbicide trials.

Right: Dr. Bill Castle shows off the Mid Florida Citrus Foundations newly planted windbreak trees. Dr. Castle also discusses the importance of windbreaks for slowing/preventing the spread of canker from nearby groves.



Left: Bill Lennon counts psyllids captured in a sweep net demonstration.



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- Expanding the profitability of global competitiveness and sustainability of the food, fiber, and agricultural industries of Florida.
- Protecting and sustaining natural resource and environmental sys-
- Enhancing the development of human resources.
- Improving the quality of human life.

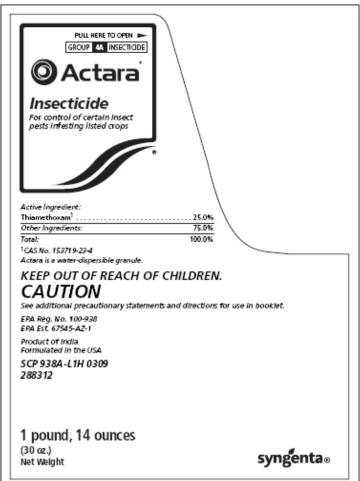
**BioQuip Products** 2321 Gladwick Street Rancho Dominguez, CA 90220 Phone: (310) 667-8800



Pictured above is a heavy duty sweep net used for capture insects to monitor control programs. Personal I like the sweep nets for monitoring psyllid populations better than the sticky traps or tap sampling. They cost around \$24 dollars, relatively inexpensive tool to help you monitor psyllid population levels. More can be found here: http://www.bioquip.com/Search/DispProduct.asp?itemnum=7625HS or contact BioQuip Products (contact info above).

Actara 25WG recently was labeled for citrus. The active ingredi- Admire Pro recently was labeled for the suppression of citrus ent is Thiamethoxam which is a group 4A insecticide

canker in newly established citrus groves.



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AUGUST 19, 2009- \$20.00 per person, non-refundable fee for class

If you plan to take an exam, you should study the training manuals given below

Ornamental and Turf - This license is issued to persons employed on a golf course, park, athletic field, or cemetery. You will need to take **both** the General Standards exam and the Ornamental and Turf exam. The study manuals are:

<u>Applying Pesticides Correctly</u> (SM-1) \$7.00, also called the "Core" manual <u>Ornamental & Turfgrass Pest Management</u> (SM-7) \$20.00 <u>Spray Equipment & Calibration</u> (SM-38) \$2.00

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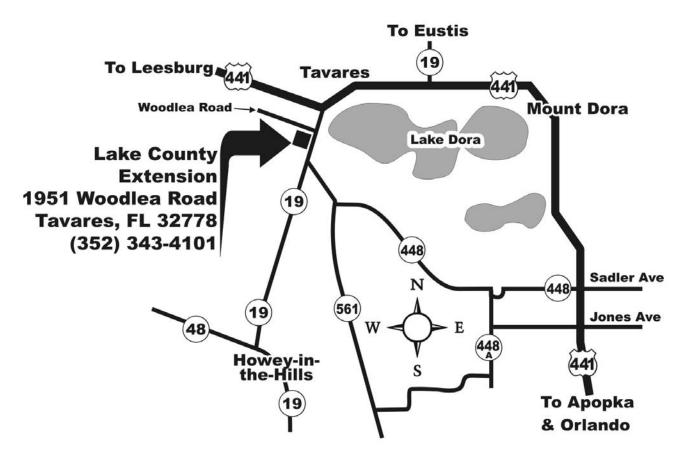
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8:30 -10:00 a.m.	Review for the General Standards Exam
10:00 – 10:15 a.m.	Break
10:15 – 11:00 a.m.	O&T and Private Ag App Review
11:00 – 12:00 p.m.	Calibration Review
12:00 – 1:00 p.m.	Lunch on your own
1:00 – 4:00 p.m.	All Exams Administered

# Review and Exam: Pvt. Ag and O&T Pesticide Certification AUGUST 19, 2009- LAKE COUNTY EXTENSION OFFICE

Individuals needing special accommodations to participate in program should call Juanita Popenoe at least (5) five working days prior to the program. 352-343-4101

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# LAKE COUNTY EXTENSION 1951 WOODLEA ROAD TAVARES, FL



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Lake County Extension Office is located just north of the Florida Turnpike, between I-75 and I-4.

# **Directions**

From the Turnpike, take Exit #289, Leesburg North (US 27) to US 441.

From I-75, take Exit #329, SR 44 East.

Where US 27 and US 441 merge, take US 441 South to Tavares. As you enter Tavares, veer off to the right on Old 441. Turn right at the first traffic light onto SR 19, heading South. Turn right again at the third traffic light at Woodlea Road. The Extension Office is on the left. It is a cream-colored one-story building.



Citrus Expo<sup>sm</sup> and Citrus Industry magazine wish to express appreciation to the following organizations for their collective program planning input and promotional support:











# Citrus Expo Details

# **Admission:**

Registration in advance **OR** on site required for admission. Complimentary attendance and meals provided both days to bona fide grove owners and managers, citrus production managers, professional crop advisers, association representatives and board members and the citrus research community. Pre-registered growers are entered to win a John Deere Gun Safe sponsored by Everglades Farm Equipment.

**Non-exhibiting company and vendor person- nel** may become a sponsor at any level for trade show, lunch and seminar admission, or purchase an individual one- or two-day admission pass. Visit **www.CitrusExpo.net** for details.

# **Events & Prize Drawings:**

Must be present to win. Doors open 8:00 am both days. Prize Drawings: Wed. and Thurs. – 9:00 am and 1:30 pm. Gun Safe Grand Prize Drawing 1:30 pm Wed., Aug 19. Some restrictions apply, rules at prize drawing area and registration desk.

# **Trade Show:**

More than **150** citrus-related exhibits inside the air-conditioned Lee Civic Center arena plus outdoor displays.

### **Meals in Trade Show:**

Continental breakfast 8-9:30 am both days. Lunch 11:30 am - 2:00 pm both days. Meal tickets distributed with name badges at check-in.

### **HOST HOTELS**

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# 2009 CITRUS EXP

# "Using Today's Innovations Toward Future Success"



Lee Civic Center Ft. Myers, Florida



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# **Pre-Registration Form**



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To register visit www.CitrusExpo.net or Mail or fax form to: Citrus Exposm 5053 NW Hwy. 225A, Ocala, FL 34482 Phone 352-671-1909 – Fax 352-671-1364 CitrusExpo@southeastagnet.com

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Company/Farm:
Address:
City: State: Zip:
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Check All That Apply
☐ Grove owner, Manager, Foreman, Caretaker, Citrus Nursery
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Association Executives and Board Members, Government, University, Research, Legislative, Student
Product Manufacturer, Vendor, or Supplier Representative doing business with growers or others in the citrus industry (see admission details)
Other
Complimentary meal tickets
provided at registration desk

Please check days you plan to attend

Thursday, August 20, 2009

Wednesday, August 19, 2009

# 2009 Citrus Expo<sup>sm</sup> Seminar Program Lee Civic Center - Ft. Myers, Florida August 19 & 20, 2009

# Wednesday - August 19

3:05

3:30

Morning Session 9:15 - 11:30: Moderator - Dr. Tim Spann, UF/CREC

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9:15	Welcome / Seminar Overview	Dr. Tim Spann, UF/CREC
9:30	Citrus Nursery Industry Update	TBA
9:50	Advanced Citrus Production Systems: What You  Need to Know to Install a System Today	Dr. Arnold Schumann, UF/CREC
10:10	Foliar Nutrition Sprays: Are they working against HLB?	Dr. Tim Spann, UF/CREC
10:30	Determining Greening Infection Levels Using Multiple Survey Methods	Dr. Steve Futch, UF/IFAS Extension
10:50	New Strategies in Canopy Management to Improve Yield, Fruit Size and Management Efficiency	Dr. Andy Krajewski, International Citrus Technologies Pty Ltd, Australia
11:30	Lunch at the Trade Show!	
Afternoon Session 2:00	- 4:00: Moderator - Dr. Megan Dewdney, UF/CREC	
2:00	Major Emerging Land & Water Issues Now Threatening Florida Agriculture	Charles Shinn, Gov't & Community Affairs, FL Farm Bureau Don Parrish, Regulatory Affairs, American Farm Bureau, Washington D. C.
2:20	What has \$20 million revealed about HLB and how can we use it to our advantage?	Dr. Megan Dewdney, UF/CREC
2:40	Update on psyllid management: Low Volume	Dr. Lukasz Stelinski,

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# Thursday - August 20

Morning Session 9:30 - 11:30: Moderator - Dr. Michelle Danyluk, UF/CREC

9:30	Mechanical Harvesting - Machine enhancements and innovations	ТВА
9:50	Abscission and Mechanical Harvesting	Dr. Bob Ebel, UF/SWFREC
10:10	Mechanical Harvesting Effects on Fruit  Microbial Contamination and Food Safety	Dr. Michelle Danyluk, UF/CREC
10:30	GAPs 101: What are they and why does citrus need them?	Dr. Reneé Goodrich, UF Food Science & Human Nutrition
10:50	The California Pistachio Experience: How ignoring GAPs led to a Salmonella recall -	Dr. Bob Klein, CA Pistachio Research
11:30	Implications for Florida Citrus	Board, Fresno, CA
	Lunch at the Trade Show!	
Afternoon Session 2:00	- 4:00: Moderator - Mr. Ron Muraro, UF/CREC	
2:00	Update on HLB management costs in Florida	Mr. Ron Muraro, UF/CREC
2:20	Issues with the relationship between U.S. orange juice prices and processed orange prices	Mr. Allen Morris, UF/CREC
2:40	The Economic Sustainability of Sao Paulo's Citrus Production	Dr. Margarete Boteon, CEPEA USP/ESALQ, Brazil
3:20	Citrus production systems to survive greening - Economic thresholds	Dr. Fritz Roka, UF/SWFREC
3:40	Importance of grower partnering in effectively battling greening	Dr. Tom Spreen, UF Food & Resource Economics



# Info for Certified Pile Burners Course:

The Florida Division of Forestry and University of Florida Extension Service will be conducting a Certified Pile Burners Course on August 6<sup>th</sup>, 2009. This course will show you how to burn piles *legally*, *efficiently and safely*. Most importantly it could save a <u>life</u>. When weather is dry certified pile burners will receive a priority to burn. Also certified pile burners are able to burn 2 additional hours a day and get multiple day authorizations. The training will be held from 8:30 am till 4:30 pm at the Mid Florida Research and Education Center located in Apopka, Florida. Enclosed are the agenda and directions.

Registration is required to attend and class size is limited. To attend please email/mail the following information:

- 1. Your full name (as wanted on your pile burning certificate).
- 2. Your mailing address (where you want the certificate mailed).
- 3. Your Division of Forestry Customer Number (It is the number that you are required to give the DOF when you call in for your burn permits. If you do not know it please call the local DOF office and ask them).
- 4. Your email address (if you have one) or contact phone number.
- 5. A check made out to Lake County Citrus Extension for \$50.00.

The first fifty individuals to provide the following five requirements will be registered; there will be a 48 hour non refundable fee limit. If you do not make the training and did not contact our office at least 48 hours before the class, you will not receive a refund. There will be a test at the end of the session. You must receive a grade of 70% or higher on the exam and demonstrate a proper pile burn with your local DOF office to become certified. Once you are certified it will be noted with your customer number, thus it is important for us to have the proper number. If you do not have a customer number the Division of Forestry local office will set one up for you. Please send checks to Lake County Extension 1951 Woodlea Rd. Tavares, FL 32778.

Sincerely,

Ryan Atwood

# **Registration Form**

# Florida's Certified Pile Burner's Program

Mid Florida Research and Education Center 2725 S. Binion Road, Apopka, FL 32703-8504 Tel (407) 884-2034

Please send this form and check for \$50.00 made out to the Lake County Citrus Extension Program Attention: Maggie Jarrell 1951 Woodlea Rd. Tavares, Fl 32778

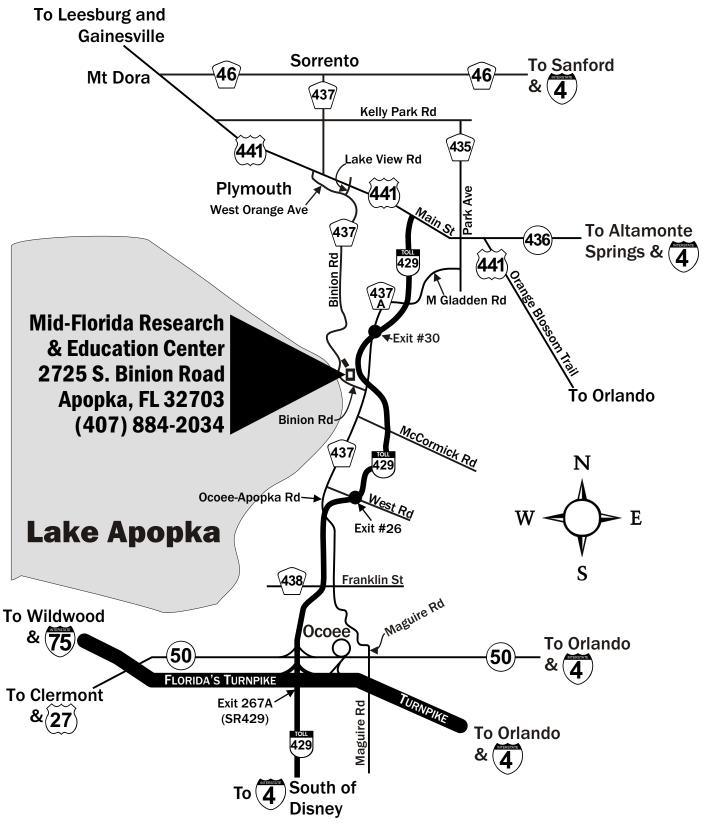
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# Florida's Certified Pile Burner Training August 6th, 2009 Apopka, Florida

1.	Opening Comments and Introduction	08:30 - 09:10
2.	Fire Weather	09:10 – 9:50
3.	BREAK	9:50 – 10:00
4.	Smoke Management	10:00 – 11:20
5.	Planning and Implementation	11:20 – 12:15
6.	LUNCH (provided)	12:15 – 01:15
7.	Open Burning Regulations	01:15 - 02:30
8.	Safety	02:30 - 03:10
9.	BREAK	03:10 - 03:20
10	. Public Relations	03:20 - 04:00
11	. Wrap Up & Test	04:00 - 04:30

# Please bring a Pencil for the Exam!





# **Directions to MREC**

From Florida's Turnpike, take SR429 (toll) north to the West Road exit #26 - turn left on West Road. At Ocoee-Apopka Rd (CR437) head north (right turn) to Binion Rd. Turn left on Binion Rd (CR437) and proceed 1 mile to MREC on right.

**From US441**, take CR437 (West Orange Ave, which becomes Binion Rd) south 4.6 miles to MREC on the left. Do not take SR429 from US441 There is no south-bound exit from SR 429 before MREC.



# Florida's Certified Pile Burner Training Frequently Asked Questions





# Q: Why should I be a certified pile burner?

A: Certified pile burners are trained to burn piles *legally*, *safely and efficiently*. <u>Most importantly</u>, it could save a life. Also, when the weather is dry, certified pile burners will receive priority for authorization to burn by the Florida Division of Forestry (DOF). Also, certified pile burners are allowed to burn up to two hours longer per day and get multiple day authorizations.

# Q: What is a Pile Burner Customer Number?

A: When you call the DOF for an authorization to burn, you will be assigned a personal customer number. This number references your information so it doesn't need to be gathered each time you call for an authorization. You must have your individual DOF customer number in order to be certified.

# Q: Is there a test?

A: Yes, the test is 20 questions and open-book. You must receive a score of at least 70% to pass.

# Q: What if I don't pass?

A: Very few people fail the test but if you do, you will be provided another opportunity to take the test at a later date. If you fail the second time, you must re-register and take the training again.

# Q: Why do you ask for my email on the application form?

A: Email is the fastest and most convenient method to inform registrants of their registration status. If no email address is provided then all correspondence will be sent through the federal mail. This can take several days to relay messages and this may not be practical if changes are made to the course schedule or for last minute registrations.

# Q: How much does it cost to register for the training?

A: Registration for the training is \$50 per person and includes lunch, training materials and testing.

# Q: How long does my certification last?

A: As long as the person with the certification uses their number at least 5 times in a period of 5 years their certification will not expire under the current program.

# Q: Will certified burners be notified if their certification expires?

A: Yes, notification will be sent out to them to let them know of their upcoming certification expiration date.

# Q: Will I be certified at the end of the one day training?

A: No, you will need to follow the written instructions that you will receive from the Division to become certified. You will need to complete a simple burn plan, have it reviewed and approved locally by the DOF and also have the burn itself reviewed and approved by the DOF. From that point, the local DOF office will send the expected documentation to Tallahassee to recommend certification for you.

# Q: Is there a minimum age to be a certified pile burner?

A: Yes, you must be at least 18 years old to take the test and be a certified pile burner.



# Packinghouse Day & The Indian River Postharvest Workshop

# **Packinghouse Day**

When: Thursday, August 27<sup>th</sup>, 2009

Where: Citrus Research and Education Center, 700 Experiment Station Road,

Lake Alfred, FL 33850

**Time**: Registration opens at 8:30 A.M., Program starts at 9:30 A.M.

Lunch Sponsor: DECCO

# **Indian River Postharvest Workshop**

When: Friday, August 28<sup>th</sup>, 2009

Where: Indian River Research and Education Center, 2199 S. Rock Rd., Ft.

Pierce, FL 34945

**Time**: Registration opens at 8:30 A.M., Program starts at 9:30 A.M.

Lunch Sponsor: JBT FoodTech

# Both programs will include presentations on:

- The latest developments on a new domestic citrus canker rule
- Issues in successfully completing third party certification programs: GAPs, HACCP and fruit quality
- New fungicides, application methods, and handling practices to minimize postharvest decay of citrus
- Effects of washing fruit before degreening
- Electronic detection of canker and other peel defects of citrus

For questions and the latest details, contact Mark Ritenour at 772-468-3922, ext. 167 (mritenour@ifas.ufl.edu) or visit http://postharvest.ifas.ufl.edu.