

Program Team: Pomology Date: March 23-24, 2022

Why such reports. We need simple ways to collect quick overviews of key things happening in each of the PTs. We can then better **communicate** and **advocate** for the breadth of activity happening across UC ANR.

The report is to be **simple** and **post-event**. Suggestions for a better report structure most welcome.

1. Meeting objectives

- **1.** Update program team members on ANR leadership and Plant Sciences Department administrative activities.
- 2. Share new knowledge generated by members' research activities and encourage collaboration among program team members
- 3. Discuss effectiveness of various extension outreach methods
- 2. Workgroups engaged: Almond, prune, pistachio, walnut

3. Primary meeting outcomes

- **1.** PT members gained insight into fellow team member activities, leading to discussions on future, collaborative research projects
- **2.** Made plans for future extension activities, including short courses, podcasts, climate change tools and Diversity, Equity and Inclusion work.
- **3.** PT members and statewide staff had robust discussion regarding web projects, strategic communications and publication opportunities.

4. Next steps

- 1. Continue to build camaraderie and partnerships within the program team
- 2. Meet again in March, 2023
- 3. Survey PT regarding opinions on position prioritization
- 5. How the PT activities fit with the larger SI picture (See table for reference).
 - We see the PT is consistent with these Initiative Themes: Sustainable production, management of new and emerging pests
 - And fits with these Grand Challenges: Pursuing new technologies for existing pests, lessen impacts from nitrogen use in agricultural and urban environments; water management strategies in response to climate change and their impacts on water

Program Teams help people Network, Share and Learn.



supply, water quality and cropping patterns, understanding freeze damage in walnuts, pistachio degree day model, collaborating on crop cost studies, understanding regenerative agriculture, and realizing how it is applied in today's world.

- 6. **Optional: Do you have "Hot Button" items.** These items that might warrant a trending Trending article help educate the broader public on key issues.
- 7. What are 1-3 impact stories from PT group members that could be highlighted with Strat com? Pruning walnuts is not necessary, use of a pressure chamber to schedule irrigations can save considerable amounts of water and trees look better and winter/early nitrogen applications are ineffective.



SI	Initiative Themes		Grand Challenges
EIPD		•	
	Keeping invasive pests and pathogens out of California		Emerging pests (e.g., Citrus Greening)
	New problems with existing pests and diseases Integrated management		The public understanding the role of science in safe and effective pest management (e.g., urban and household pesticide use relative to use on other systems)
	integrated management		Pursuing new technologies for existing pests (e.g., breeding for powdery mildew)
HFC			
	Promoting healthy behaviors for childhood obesity prevention		Chronic disease and Food insecurity across the lifespan of all Californians
	Encouraging and enhancing youth science literacy		Delivery of high-quality positive youth development in all communities
	Promoting positive youth development		Rising social, economic and heath inequality
	Community Development		Access to science education and professional learning opportunities
SFS			
	Sustainable production Safe processing		Sustainable Production: Labor scarcity; Dealing with regulatory requirements; Water - quantity and quality; Farm Prices; Climate change; Emerging pests
	Enhanced access		Safe Food Processing: Food safety and preservation
			Enhanced Food Access: Food deserts and cost; Changing food preferences; Food access and security for aging seniors
SNE	1	1	ı
	Healthy rangelands, forests and working landscapes		Fire
	Fighting Fire – Resilient forests and fire-safe urban areas		Protecting water supplies - quality and
	Protecting where we live. Healthy landscapes and urban forests		quantity Climate change
	Enhancing our water supply		

Program Teams help people **Network**, **Share** and **Learn**.



Water	•	•	•
	Safe & secure drinking water		Conservation and enhancement strategies to bolster water resources and
	Safe & secure surface water		meet increasing agricultural, urban, and ecosystem water demands
	Safe & sustainable groundwater		,
	Ğ		Sustainable farm, urban, and natural
	Holistic water management		resource management practices to protect soil and water quality from salinity,
			sediment, pathogens, excess nutrients, trace elements, and other contaminants
			Quantifying the impacts of climate change on California's precious water resources and consequent impacts on agriculture, urban, and ecosystems, while seeking ways to make these sectors more resilient to climate related risks