

The University of California Cooperative Extension San Diego County presents the 5th Annual
2023 Climate Action and Agriculture Symposium
Thursday, May 25, 2023 • 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM
Farm Hub/Farm Bureau Conference Room • 420 S Broadway, Escondido, CA 92025

PROGRAM AGENDA

8:30 AM Check-In and Continental Breakfast

MORNING SESSION – *STATE AND SCIENCE OF AGRICULTURE AND CLIMATE ISSUES*

9:00 AM Opening and Welcome

Jan Gonzales, Community Education Supervisor, UCCE San Diego

9:10 AM San Diego Agriculture and the Circular Economy

Mary Matava, Past-President, San Diego County Farm Bureau and Owner, AgriService, Inc.

9:40 AM San Diego County Agriculture

Maria Gomez, Deputy Director for Policy, Outreach and Data, Department of Agriculture/Weights & Measures, County of San Diego

10:10 AM Climate Impact in Agriculture and UC ANR Research and Resources

Tapan Pathak, PhD, UC ANR Specialist-Climate Adaptation in Agriculture, UC Merced and UC Division of Agriculture and Natural Resources

10:40 AM Break

10:50 AM County of San Diego – Sustainable Agriculture in Climate Action Planning

Meghan Kelly, Project Manager, Climate Action Plan | Sustainability Planning Division, County of San Diego

11:20 AM Regional Climate Trends and Weather Prediction

Tom Corringham, PhD, Staff Research Economist, Scripps Institute of Oceanography, UC San Diego

12:00 PM Lunch



AFTERNOON SESSION – *OPPORTUNITIES AND CHALLENGES*

- 1:00 PM** **Life Cycle of Greenhouse Gas Emissions and Energy Use in Orchard Crops**
Elias Marvinney, PhD, Assistant Project Scientist, Plant Sciences, UC Davis
- 2:00 PM** **Regenerative Organic Alliance and Certification**
Elizabeth Whitlow, Executive Director, Regenerative Organic Alliance
- 2:30 PM** **Panel Presentations and Discussion** [Facilitator – Ramiro Lobo]
- Value Added Market Opportunities**
Ramiro Lobo, Small Farms & Ag Economics Advisor, UCCE San Diego
- Implementing Climate Smart Agriculture Production Practices**
Eric Morgan, Vice President, Environmental Science and Resources, Braga Fresh
- Carbon Farming and Beyond: Sustaining the Effort**
Bea Alvarez, Climate Resilience Projects Coordinator, Foodshed San Diego
- 3:50 PM** **Closing**

Continuing Education:

Certified Crop Advisor (CCA) - 6 hours in the ‘Sustainability’ category are approved.
Sign-up at check-in table.

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