

54th Tri County Walnut Day

Tulare County Agricultural Building
 4437 S Laspina St., Tulare, CA 93274

Thursday, February 5, 2026

7:30 am	Registration and Coffee Sponsored by JCS Marketing--West Coast Nut Magazine
<i>Session Moderator: Mohammad Yaghmour, UCCE Farm Advisor, Kern County</i>	
8:00	Welcome <i>Leonel Jimenez, UCCE County Director</i> <i>Larry Micari, Tulare County Board of Supervisors</i>
8:05	Walnut Industry Update <i>Robert Verloop, Executive Director and CEO California Walnut Board and Commission</i>
8:30	Dealing with plant-parasitic nematodes in walnut <i>Andreas Westphal, Professor of Cooperative Extension, UC Riverside</i>
9:00	Can we reduce walnut mold under climate change (summer/early fall rainfall) <i>Themis Michailides, Professor, UC Davis</i>
9:30	Considerations for effective use of cover crops in walnut orchards <i>Kamyar Aram, UCCE Farm Advisor, Contra Costa and Alameda Counties</i>
10:00	Coffee Break
<i>Session Moderator: Santosh Bhandari, Assistant Specialist, UCCE Tulare County</i>	
10:30	New Ethephon Experiments in Chandler and Solano <i>Clarissa Reyes, UCCE Farm Advisor, Sutter-Yuba, Butte, and Placer Counties</i>
11:00	Commercial scale implementation of plant-based irrigation in walnuts: how much water do those trees really need? <i>Ken Shackel and Tyler Dowd, Professor, UC Davis Department of Plant Sciences</i>
11:30	Flatheaded Borer as a Re-emerging pest of Walnuts <i>Samaneh Sakaki, Associate Specialist, UCCE Stanislaus County</i>
12:00 pm	Lunch Sponsored by the California Walnut Board

Please help us to plan by pre-registering at:

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