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News



As an evergreen perennial, nitrogen management of olives varies considerably from other crops in California. Elizabeth Ficther explains the differences in nitrogen management plans for the management of olives grown for the oil industry or processing as black ripe olives.

Dairy's Net Zero Initiative gets boost with \$10 million research grant



The Foundation for Food & Agriculture Research has awarded a \$10 million grant to support U.S. dairy's Net Zero Initiative as a critical on-farm pathway to advance the industry wide 2050 Environmental Stewardship Goals set through the Innovation Center for U.S. Dairy.

BLACK FIG FLY

Fig growers need to be aware of the black fig fly (BFF), an invasive insect that was recently discovered infesting figs in multiple counties in southern California.

The BFF has been reported in the following counties: Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, Santa Barbara, San Bernardino, San Diego and Ventura.



Events

Kearney Alfalfa and Forage Field Day

August 23, 2021, 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Kearney Agricultural Research and Extension Center

9240 S Riverbend Ave, Parlier, CA

ADVANCED REGISTRATION REQUIRED

Websites

IPM Task at Harvest: Identifying Insect Pest Damage Through Harvest Sampling



2021 Pistachio Irrigation: Mitigation Strategies for Drought

The San Joaquin Valley is in the midst of another drought and pistachio growers are bracing for another hot, dry growing season. Areas on the west side of San Joaquin Valley, got as little as 4 inches of precipitation from fall 2020 until April 2021.

A six-year evaluation of the cumulative impacts of Glyphosate impacts on Orchard Crops

Glyphosate is one of the most commonly used herbicides in orchard crops in California both in terms of treated acres and amount of active ingredient applied. Weed managers are generally familiar with the attributes of glyphosate as a postemergence herbicide.

Zinc Fertilization in California Orchard Crops

Zinc is the micronutrient that is most commonly deficient across the state of California. This is primarily due to its low availability in Central Valley soils due to the high pH and sometimes presence of carbonates, which zinc will adsorb to at high pH.



Podcast

September 2021 1MC Growing The Valley

In our 1-minute challenges we describe key almond, pistachio, prune, and walnut orchard tasks for the month of September.

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