

Almond pest management courses November 4 - 5

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The Almond Pest Management Alliance (PMA) is sponsoring a one-day comprehensive almond pest management training event at two locations this fall.

The first will be at the University of California Kearney Research and Extension Center in Parlier on November 4, and the second will be at the UC Cooperative Extension San Joaquin County Office in Stockton on November 5.

The program includes presentations and demonstrations of the latest information on controlling insects, mites and diseases. Presenters will be from UC Cooperative Extension, the UC Statewide IPM program and the USDA Agricultural Research Service. The PMA team has applied for 6.5 hours of continuing education credits, including 1.75 hours of Laws and Regulations. The registration fee for the course is \$45 and also includes lunch, refreshments and a course binder with information and publications pertinent to almond pest management.

For more information and registration, contact Mark Cady at the Community Alliance with Family Farmers, 530-756-8518, extension 20; or mark@caff.org.

The Almond Pest Management Alliance is a cooperative effort among industry stakeholders including the Almond Board of California, UC Statewide IPM Program, UC Cooperative Extension, pest control advisors and growers, the California Department of Pesticide Regulation, U.S. EPA Region 9 and the Community Alliance with Family Farmers. The project works with growers and PCAs in five California almond producing regions with demonstration orchards that showcase locally effective best management practices.