



SACRAMENTO VALLEY PRUNE NEWS



A Regional Newsletter of the UC Cooperative Extension Prune Advisors

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Reminder: 2 Prune Grower Meetings This Week!

Tuesday, November 18

••• Field Meeting to Review Pruning/Topping Options in Prunes •••

On Tuesday, November 18, a field meeting is planned to review pruning and topping options in prunes. The meeting will be held in Live Oak at Everest Tumber's orchard. There will be demonstrations of flat topping, roof topping, and V-topping, as well as pneumatic and gas powered prunes. Bill Krueger, UCCE Farm Advisor in Glenn County and Erick Nielsen, prune grower and owner of Erick Nielsen Enterprises (ENE) based in Orland, California will be guest speakers. The program will start at 9:30, with sign-ins and coffee at 9:00AM.

Directions to Tumber Orchard: Turn west off of Hwy 99 at the stoplight in Live Oak. Take the first possible right (north). This is N St, even though a left turn would be California St. Take N straight north following the rail road tracks for just under a mile to the meeting site. Look for yellow UC meeting signs for the exact location.

Wednesday, November 19

••• 2008 PRUNE CROP REVIEW MEETING PLANNED •••

Freeze in April, spotty crop set, dry spring, early harvest – it all happened in 2008. What can be learned from 2008? There will be a meeting on Wednesday, November 19, hosted by Franz Niederholzer, UCCE Farm Advisor in Sutter/Yuba Counties, to review the 2008 Prune Crop in Sutter/Yuba region and see what can be learned from the past year. There will be short presentations by Franz, followed by discussions of grower experiences.

The meeting will be held at the UCCE offices at 142A Garden Hwy in Yuba City. The meeting will start at **10 AM and end at noon**. **Credit hours (2) have been approved by CA DPR**. Sign-in and coffee available beginning at 9:30.