

CWSS Preconference Field Tour – Tuesday, January 17th, 2023

DPR approved 2.5 other hours; CCA & AZ approved 3.0 PM

Dear CWSS Conference Attendees,

A new opportunity has just been added to the CWSS itinerary we think you'll be interested in. Chairs Richard Smith, Kate Walker, and Scott Stoddard have put together a chartered bus tour of the Salinas Valley on Tuesday, January 17th from 11:30 am to 5:00 pm. This is a stand alone event (**conference registration not required**) with registration fee of **\$80 per person**. Registration is first come, first served as there are only **60 spaces available**. This will be a great opportunity to earn additional CEUs and visit with old friends and colleagues in an outdoor setting. 2.5 DPR and 3.0 CCA & AZ hours approved. Chartered bus transportation will pick up and drop off at the Portola Hotel. Light snacks and water will be available.

To top off the afternoon, Hahn Family Wines will be hosting a special wine tasting, which is included with your registration fee. Online registration for this special event is available at <https://www.cwss.org/2023-annual-conference-registration/>

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Time	Activity	Crop/Speaker	Time	Main point of discussion
11:30	Load bus			
12:00	Leave hotel			
12:30	1 st stop Molera Rd, Castroville	Artichoke <i>Mike Scattini Grower</i>	45 min.	Weed control in annual and perennial artichoke production. The discussion will focus on specific weeds that occur in the perennial production system and ways of controlling them.
1:15	Load bus			
1:45	2 nd stop USDA Spence Research Station	Strawberry <i>Steve Fennimore, UCD Specialist</i>	30 min.	Weed control in strawberry production will include a discussion of the impact of fumigants on weed control. Herbicides used to control weeds not controlled by fumigation and new emerging weed technologies such as the use of steam.
2:15	Load bus			
2:45	3 rd stop Gonzales, River Rd	Arundo Eradication <i>Paul Robbins RCD Director</i>	30 min.	The Resource Conservation District of Monterey County is leading a project to eliminate giant reed (<i>Arundo donax</i>) from the Salinas River. They will discuss the techniques used to control Arundo and the give a report on the success of the project to date.
3:15	Load bus			
3:45	4 th stop Hahn Vineyard, Soledad	Wine grapes <i>TBD- Hahn Vineyard manager</i>	45 min.	Will visit a working wine grape vineyard and will discuss weed control practices used to manage weeds on the berms of the vineyard as well as weeds occurring in the row middles. The materials and spray equipment used will be discussed.
5:00	Travel to hotel			

Due to the nature of the event, there will be no refunds offered.