Citrus Mechanical Harvesting Field Day and Workshop: Overcoming Obstacles and Making the Transition

Wednesday, April 21, 2010
University of Florida, Southwest FL Research and Education Center
2685 State Road 29 North
Immokalee, FL 34142

Agenda

7:30 Registration, coffee and refreshments

8:00 Welcome and program outline – Dr. John Dunckelman (UF/IFAS) and Dr. Fritz Roka, (UF/IFAS)

8:10 Update on UF/IFAS MH/Abscission Research & Education Program – Dr. Jackie Burns, (UF/IFAS)

8:30 Field trip to grove site to observe Oxbo canopy shaker and other harvesting equipment (RSVP for field trip must be made by April 14th)

Equipment Solutions to Debris – TBA (Dr. Reza Ehsani)

Debris Removal Demonstration – Tom Visser (Circle V Harvesting Co.)

10:00 Return to SWFREC-Immokalee for presentations

10:45 Workshop Presentations

Transition Experiences: Hand to Mechanical Harvesting
Michigan Cherries – George McManus (Grower, MI State Ext. Retired)
Florida Sugar - TBA

CMNP Trials – Dr. Bob Ebel (UF/IFAS)

CMNP Registration – Taw Richardson (AgroSource, Inc.)

Costs of Harvesting Debris – Dr. Fritz Roka (UF/IFAS)

12:00 Lunch /Evaluation (Sponsored)

RSVP for workshop and/or field trip: Barbara Hyman at hymanb@ufl.edu or call (239) 658-3400

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