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2007 World Ag Expo's free daily seminars aid agribusiness

TULARE, Calif.— A range of agribusiness seminars will be featured during the 2007 World Ag Expo, Feb. 13-15. All seminars are free with paid admission to the World Ag Expo.

World Ag Expo general seminars on Tuesday will feature: rural health, air and water quality, alternative fuels, and organic farming certification process. World Ag Expo Seminars will be located in the Seminar Center off Median Street, between P and Q Streets on the International Agri-Center show grounds in Tulare, Calif.

Following is a partial schedule of events:

Tuesday, Feb. 13, 2007

10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. – “Rural Health and Safety”

California Farm Bureau Federation's Rural Health and Safety Program will present a seminar on Rural Crime Prevention and Injury and Illness Prevention Plans.

11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. – “How Air and Water Regulations will Impact Agriculture”

A panel of experts will discuss new and ongoing water and air quality regulations and how they will impact the farming industry. A Q&A session will follow immediately after seminar.

Panelists are:

Water Quality – Lonnie M. Wass, supervising engineer, Regional Water Quality Control Board and David Orth, general manager, Kings River Conservation District.

Air Quality – Seyed Sadredin, executive director, San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District and Manuel F. Cunha Jr., president, Nisei Farmers League.

1 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. – “Fueling the Ag Industry: Alternative Fuels”

Bill Jones, chairman of the board for Pacific Ethanol, will discuss ethanol and what it may mean to agriculture. He will also moderate discussions on bio-diesel, and methane as alternative energy sources. Panelists include Roy Sharp, Royal Farms of Tulare and Greg Garrison, president, SSI Energy, Carmel, Ind.

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2:30 p.m. to 4 p.m. – *“Is Organic farming for you?”*

Richard Molinar, University of California farm advisor in Fresno County, will moderate a panel of experts and organic farmers who will discuss certification, marketing, challenges and successes in the organic business.

The 40th annual World Ag Expo is Feb. 13 – 15, 2007. For more information call 800-999-9186 or 559-688-1751 or visit www.worlagexpo.com.

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