2021
39th Annual Southern Rocky Mountain Agricultural Conference (Virtual) & Trade Show (Tues & Wed only)
Moving Agriculture and Understanding Forward
February 2-4, 2021
Trade Show Ski Hi Park
McMullen Building

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Feel Free to visit the Trade show from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm at the McMullen Building at Ski Hi Park Tuesday & Wednesday

Colorado State University, United States Department of Agriculture and Alamosa, Conejos, Costilla, Mineral, Rio Grande, and Saguache Counties cooperating. CSU Extension programs are available to all without discrimination.

Names of products and equipment occasionally will be used; no endorsement of products named is intended nor is criticism implied of products not mentioned.
Tuesday, February 2, 2021

8:00 am  Welcome

8:05 am  The Role of Calcium in Crop Stress Mitigation, Jimmy Ridgway, Regional Sales Manager, Yara International, ID, Monte Vista Chamber Diamond Sponsor

8:15 am  Kubota/Powder River Ag Equipment, Monte Vista Cooperative, Diamond Sponsor

8:25 am  Potato Certification: Winter Test Update, Dr. Andrew Houser, Manager, Colorado Potato Certification Service, CSU/SLVRC, Center, CO

9:25 am  National Potato Council 2020 Results and 2021 Priorities, Kam Quarles, CEO, Washington, D.C. and Mike Wenkel, COO; National Potato Council

9:55 am  Soil Potato Health—Colorado and Beyond, Dr. Jane Stewart, Assistant Professor, Agricultural Biology, CSU and Dr. Courtney Jahns, Professor, Agricultural Biology, CSU

10:40 am  President’s Update - Colorado State University, Joyce McConnell, President, Colorado State University

11:10 am  Potatoes USA, John Toaspern, Chief Marketing Officer, Potatoes, USA

11:40 am  Developing Genome Editing for Colorado Potato Breeding, Dr. Stephen Pearce, Assistant Professor, Soil & Crop Sciences, CSU

12:30 pm  Fresh Potato Market Update, Mark Klompien, President/CEO, United Potato Growers of America

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Wednesday, February 3, 2020

8:00 am  Welcome

8:05 am  Bayer Crop Sciences. Monte Vista Chamber Diamond Sponsor

8:15 am  CPAC Update, Jim Ehrlich, Executive Director, Colorado Potato Administrative Committee

8:25 am  Challenges in Agriculture, Working with Corporations and Other Topics, Dr. Temple Grandin, Professor, Dept. of Animal Sciences, CSU

9:25 am  Causes of Farm Labor Shortages, Dr. Roland Fusami, Vice President and Senior Analyst, Rabo Bank

10:25 am  Update on PVY Biology and Management, Dr. Amy Charkowski, Professor and Department Head, Department of Bio-agricultural Sciences and Pest Management, CSU

11:10 am  Pea Aphids Correlated with Early Season Potato Virus Y Spread, Tess Christensen, Agro Engineering and Jacob Pitt, PhD Student, CSU

11:50 am  Colorado Tuber Quality Project, Dr. Sastry Jayanty, Extension Specialist – Postharvest Physiologist (50%) College of Agricultural Sciences Department of Horticulture & Landscape Architecture

12:10 pm  CSU Activities in the SLV to Support Community Economic Development: Opportunities To Engage, Dr. Becca Jablonski, Assistant Professor and Dawn Thilmany, Professor, Agricultural and Resource Economics, CSU
Thursday, February 4, 2021

8:00 am  Welcome
8:05 am  Agri-Store Up-date, Mike Lamoreaux, Business Development, Agri-Store, Monte Vista Chamber Diamond Sponsor
8:15 am  Wenta-Nip, Monte Vista Chamber Diamond Sponsor
8:25 am  Community Food Insights with COVID 19, Dr. Becca Jablonski, Assistant Professor, Agricultural and Resource Economics, CSU
9:50 am  Water Subdistrict Update, Marisa Fricke, Program Manager, Amber Pacheco, Program Manager, Chris Ivers, Program Manager, Cleave Simpson, General Manager, Rio Grande Water Conservation District
10:25 am Colorado Water Plan and the San Luis Valley, Mr. Craig Cotton, Staff Engineer/Water Engineer, Colorado Division of Water Resources, Alamosa Division 3
11:25 am Water Export Update, Heather Dutton, Manager, SLV Water Conservancy District

Livestock Programs (virtual)
11:15 am  Grazing Croplands, Dr. Joe Brummer, Associate Professor, Forage Specialist, Soil and Crop Sciences, CSU; Dr. Meagan Schipanski, Associate Professor, CSU
11:55 am  Causes of Reduced Reproduction Rates in Beef Cattle, Dr. Ryan Rhoades, Associate Professor, Extension Beef Specialist, Department of Animal Sciences; and Dr. Franklin Garry, Professor, Extension Specialist/Veterinarian, College of Veterinary Medicine and Biomedical Sciences, Department of Clinical Sciences, CSU
1:00 pm  Calving School, Dr. Kayla Bentley, Veterinarian, Alpine Vet (an in person event planned at McMullen Building/Ski Hi Park)

SOUTHERN ROCKY MOUNTAIN AG CONFERENCE REGISTRATION
Feb 2-4, 2021 WILL BE HELD THRU PAYPAL PAYMENT ONLY.

Cost is $60 per person for all 3 days or $30 per day. Registrants will receive the zoom link for each day the afternoon before each day.

Registration Questions: Call Maxine Lujan at 719-852-7381 or Maxine.Lujan@ColoState.edu
Trade Show: Monte Vista Chamber of Commerce 719-852-2731

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Go to https://www.coloradopotato.org/agconference/, Pay Pal link. You will then be directed to a secure Pay Pal registration payment option.
Be sure you list your spouse and pay for her/him if she/he is planning on attending.

Continuing Education Credits:
* For Certified Crop Advisors (CCA): (being researched) for information contact Marvin Reynolds at Marvin.Reynolds@ColoState.edu
* For Commercial Applicators (CEC) Credit: none available this year. (For Private Applicator Continuing Education Core Credits see next page)
Private Applicators CEU is a separate registration from the 2021 Southern Rocky Mountain Ag Conference. Use the link below to register for the Seven Pesticide Applicator CEU’s.

Registration will be required. Each participant will need to register and participate on their own device to receive credit.

Register in advance for the Private Applicator Seven Core Credit class: https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZUldeGvrTwtGNFtI9wcQKR0a0Lp9OdudOdM

**Private Pesticide Applicator 7-Core Credit**
**Continuing Education Classes**

Classes will be scheduled on Monday, February 1, 2021 and Friday, February 5, 2021 on the following schedule:

**Monday, February 1, 2021**
1:00-1:30   Laws and Regulations Part 1  
1:35-2:05   Pesticides and Families  
2:10-2:40   Environmental Protection  
2:45-3:15   Applicator Safety

**Friday, February 5, 2021**
1:00-1:30   Use of Pesticides  
1:35-2:05   Public Safety  
2:10-2:40   Laws and Regulation Part 2