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Latest News and Events for California's Grain and Feed Industry.

Cal/OSHA Reminder: Employers Must Take Steps to Protect Outdoor Workers from Heat Illness

Oakland—Cal/OSHA is reminding all employers with outdoor workers to take steps to prevent heat illness during a period of high heat across the state. The National Weather Service has issued excessive heat watches in effect for most parts of California tomorrow through Monday or Tuesday of next week. When the temperature is 95 degrees or more, certain employers must implement effective high-heat procedures like additional monitoring of workers for signs of heat illnesses, and those in agriculture are required to provide extra cool-down rest periods in addition to required breaks.

California's [heat illness prevention standard](#) applies to all outdoor workers, including those in agriculture, construction, landscaping and those that spend a significant amount of time working outdoors such as security guards, groundskeepers, and employees performing work in outdoor dining establishments and hair salons and barbershops, or in non-air conditioned vehicles such as transportation and delivery drivers.

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USDA Offers Disaster Assistance to California Farmers and Livestock Producers Impacted by Wildfires

California agricultural operations have been significantly impacted by the wildfires, and the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) has technical and financial assistance available to help farmers and livestock producers recover. As agricultural producers move into recovery mode and assess

damages, they should contact their local USDA Service Center to report losses and learn more about program options available to assist in their recovery from crop, land, infrastructure and livestock losses and damages.

“California agricultural producers are vital to the state’s economy, and FSA stands ready to assist in their recovery from these wildfires,” said Connie Conway, state executive director for USDA’s Farm Service Agency (FSA) in California. “Once you are able to safely evaluate the impact on your operation, be sure to contact your local FSA office to timely report all damages and losses.”

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Grain, Feed & Growth: The Largest Incentive for CGFA Members

I wanted to bring your attention to an upcoming webinar on **Thursday, September 10th at 1:00 pm PST** presented by alliantgroup to discuss a powerful government incentive.

The R&D Tax Credit is the largest relief provision applicable to CGFA members. However, it is also the most overlooked federal stimulus. Many activities that you are doing daily could qualify you for this incentive, including but not limited to:

- Developing new feeds/feeding techniques for livestock
- Improving the harvesting equipment, techniques or cycle times
- Evaluation of new and different variable rate fertilizer applications
- Creating and experimenting with custom nutrient formulations

I encourage you to register for this free webinar to learn

more! <https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/3456970520097231118>

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ONLINE PRESENTATION

GRAIN, FEED AND GROWTH: THE LARGEST INCENTIVE FOR CGFA MEMBERS

PRESENTED BY:
Sec. Mike Johanns
Brian Aumueller
Justin McAnally

THURSDAY SEP. 10 | 1:00 PM PST

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Wildfire Smoke and COVID-19

From: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

Wildfire smoke can irritate your lungs, cause inflammation, affect your immune system and make you more prone to lung infections, including SARS-CoV-2, the virus that causes COVID-19. Because of the COVID-19 pandemic, preparing for wildfires might be a little different this year.

Know how wildfire smoke can affect you and your loved ones during the COVID-19 pandemic and what you can do to protect yourselves.

[Read More Here](#)

California Legislative Report

The California legislative report this week End of Session Chaos!, High Profile End-of-Session Bills and Outcomes, Housing for the Harvest Program Launches in Fresno and San Joaquin Counties, Providing Temporary Housing to AG Workers Exposed to COVID-19 and more.



[Read the Full Legislative Report Here](#)

Federal Report

The Federal Report this week includes No Progress on Coronavirus Relief Package, Assessing the Damage from Hurricane Laura, USTR, USDA Address Produce Trade Imbalances and more.



[Read the Federal Report Here](#)

USDA Implements Immediate Measures to Help Rural Residents, Businesses and Communities Affected by COVID-19

August 28, 2020- USDA Rural Development has taken a number of immediate actions to help rural residents, businesses and communities affected by the COVID-19 outbreak. Rural Development will keep our customers, partners and stakeholders continuously updated as more actions are taken to better serve rural America.

Read the full stakeholder announcement [here](#).

Resource for Industry - CDFA Safe Animal Feed Education (SAFE) Program

The [Safe Animal Feed Education \(SAFE\)](#) program of California uses outreach, education, and a comprehensive Voluntary Quality Assurance program to lead the nation in ensuring a safe and wholesome supply of commercial feed. SAFE uses an approach that fosters voluntary compliance with the state laws and regulations to ensure the safe manufacture and use of commercial feed in a changing livestock feed market. This unique collaboration between SAFE and the feed industry benefits both the agricultural community and the consumer.



[Watch Our Industry Video Here](#)

CGFA Schedule of Events

2020

- **Postponed** - December 2, 2020 - CGFA SoCal District Meeting and Christmas Luncheon, The Mission Inn, Riverside, CA

2021

- January 12-14, 2021 - Grain and Feed Industry Conference (GFIC) at the Embassy Suites on Monterey Bay, Monterey, CA - **Most Likely Will Be Moved to June 2021 – We will keep you posted**
- April 21-24, 2021 - CGFA Annual Convention at the Marriott Hotel, Monterey, CA
- May 5-6, 2021- California Animal Nutrition Conference, Fresno, CA

2022

- April 26-29, 2022 - CGFA Annual Convention at the Hyatt Regency, Indian Wells, CA



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