A Celebration of Science and Service
"The Farm Advisor will assist only those who call for his services. This is the first time that Santa Barbara County has had a Farm Advisor and this fact accounts for the mistaken idea some growers have that it is the business of the Farm Advisor to go about the County telling farmers what to do – butt in, you know."

Farm Bureau Monthly August 1920  
Volume 1 Number 1
UCCE FUNDING - SANTA BARBARA COUNTY
1920 - $3600 (estimated)

County of Santa Barbara ~60%

University of California / USDA ~40%
Betterave = ‘sweet root’

Union Sugar Factory, circa 1910
County-wide campaigns for county betterment along definite agricultural lines are often projected by the farm adviser.

(Squirrel extermination campaign, Ventura County.)

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**HOW TO CONTROL GROUND SQUIRRELS**

A Free Workshop for Commercial Agricultural Business Owners

Continuing Education Credits have been requested

**UC CE**

March 26, 2014 8:30 am - 11:00 am

American Legion Hall- 805 S. Main Street, Templeton

Hosted by the University of California Cooperative Extension

and the San Luis Obispo County Agricultural Commissioner

**TOPICS COVERED**

- Squirrel biology and life cycle
- Developing an integrated pest management plan
- Squirrel control using bait, CO2, etc.
- New pesticide label changes (certification required)
- Where and how to purchase bait

**SPEAKERS**

- Roger A. Baldwin Ph.D., Pest Management Specialist, UC Davis
- Bill Teitje, Ph.D. Wildlife Specialist, UC Berkeley
- Dale Donaghe, Inspector/Biologist,
  San Luis Obispo County Agricultural Commissioner

Click on the link to register for free

[http://ucanr.edu/groundsquirrels2014](http://ucanr.edu/groundsquirrels2014)

Or call Ingrid @ 805-781-5940

*Squirrel baits are now restricted material, which means that applicators must be certified prior to purchase and use. To become certified, a written exam may be offered (based on demand) at no charge, to San Luis Obispo County Commercial Agricultural owners/operators following the workshop. Reservations for the exam are required and the deadline is March 14, 2014. Call Dale @ 805-434-4897.*

**NOTE:** The workshop alone will not prepare you to pass the exam. Study guides are available for purchase on the website [http://anncatalog.ucdavis.edu/](http://anncatalog.ucdavis.edu/) or at your local UC Cooperative Extension Office.
Understanding Temperatures in Vineyards
UC field trials support growing acreage of blackberries and other small fruit crops in Santa Barbara County.
Reduced risk pesticides and efficient N and water management
May 8th
A Day of Science and Service

If everyone in the state could reduce her or his water consumption by 10 gallons a month, we would save a total of 4.56 billion gallons in a year.
Drought Information Resources

California is suffering historic drought conditions. The information on this webpage offers farmers and ranchers links to valuable resources, carried out by researchers and specialists, on a vast array of issues they are facing during this extremely dry and difficult year. For general drought information please click on the links below.

For drought issues with a particular crop, please see the left navigation buttons where you will find resources for your specific agricultural needs.

UC ANR California Institute for Water Resources Drought Information

http://ciwr.ucanr.edu/California_Drought_Expertise/

UC Davis Rangeland Watershed Laboratory Managing Drought
http://rangelandwatersheds.ucdavis.edu/main/drought.html#RancherPerspectives

For Coping with Declining Groundwater Levels
CIMIS Drought Tips
“Sound decisions and sound planning are based on accurate information and good judgment”

Harwood Hall, 1955