



California Rural Crime Prevention Task Force

**2024 RURAL CRIME SCHOOL
SEPTEMBER 16-20, 2024**

REGISTER AT: CRCPTF.ORG



**Hosted by:
Merced County
District
Attorneys
Office**



With the Merced County Sheriff's Office

Classroom location:

Merced Co-Op Extension
2145 Wardrobe Avenue, Merced, CA 95341

Hotel location:

El Capitan Hotel
609 W. Main Street, Merced, CA 95341

Questions? Contact:

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AGENDA

MONDAY

SEPTEMBER 16

0800-0830 Welcome

0830-0900 Intro to Rural Crime

0900-1030 Apiary

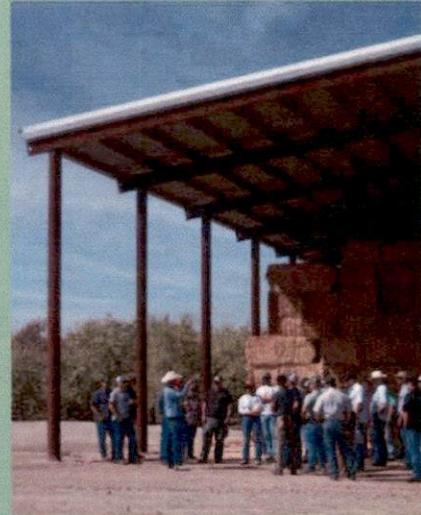
1030-1200 Dairy Security Challenges

1200-1300 Lunch

1300-1400 Wire I.D. Information

1400-1500 Wire Theft/Recycling

1500-1700 Recycling Center (Site Visit)



TUESDAY

SEPTEMBER 17

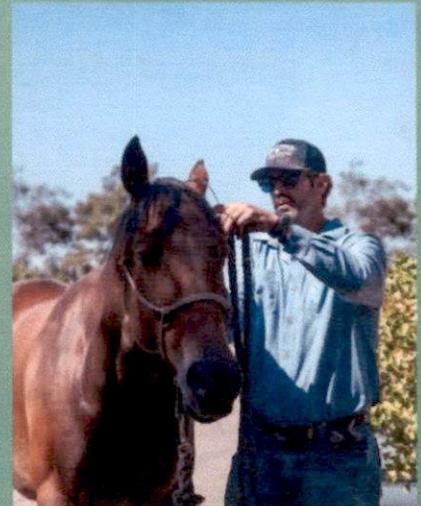
0800-0930 Search Warrants & Digital Evidence

0930-1200 Use of Drone in Ag Investigations

1200-1300 Lunch

1300-1500 Tools & Technology/OAN

1500-1700 Threat Assessment's/Drones



WEDNESDAY

SEPTEMBER 18

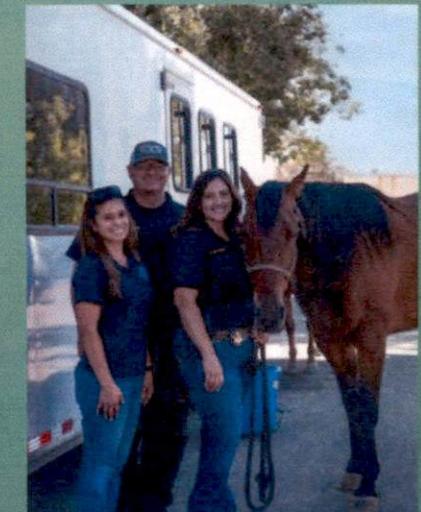
0800-1000 Rural Equipment Identification

1000-1200 N&S Tractor (Site Visit)

1200-1300 Lunch

1300-1500 Agro-Terrorism and Explosives

1500-1700 Marijuana Enforcement



THURSDAY

SEPTEMBER 19

0800-1000

1000-1200

1200-1300 Lunch

1300-1500 Cattle Identification

1500-1700 TBD

FRIDAY

SEPTEMBER 20

0800-1000 Animal Fighting

1000-1200 Fish & Wildlife Issues

1300-1500 Discussion and Wrap-Up

Course Details

COURSE DESCRIPTION

This is a 5-day course designed for patrol officers, investigators, crime prevention personnel, and individuals in fields related to ag security to develop an expertise in rural crime in California and throughout the United States. The student will learn skills needed for effective rural crime prevention, reporting, investigation and issues seen involving agricultural crimes. The course includes a wide variety of topics (see agenda) with lecture-based courses, field exercises, and on-site and hands-on instruction. The is not a P.O.S.T. certified course and is open to individuals and companies in the private ag security sector in addition to law enforcement. We also welcome out-of-state student participation.

COST

\$450 -

Tuition for one attendee, and includes an agency membership for the remainder of the year (until Feb. annual dues are required).

REQUIRED EQUIPMENT

Students will be working in close proximity to livestock and heavy farm equipment. Students should wear appropriate closed-toe shoes/boots and clothing. Hats and sunscreen are recommended for on-site visits.

REGISTRATION & PAYMENT



Scan the QR code or visit crcptf.org to register and pay for the course.

Registration will close on September 2, 2024 or when the class is at full capacity.

Make checks payable to: CRCPTF
Mail to: Merced County DA, Attn: Inv. Pekarek
550 W. Main Street, Merced, CA 95340

ACCOMODATIONS



Scan the QR code or CALL (209) 383-1234 to make your hotel reservations.

Room rate is \$107.00/night for a king or double queen room. Mention "CA Rural Crime Prevention" group. Available until 8/19/2024 only.

Hotel Parking: Valet (24-hour in/out privilege) is available at the hotel for \$15/day. FREE parking garage is also available within walking distance.