



Kern Agriculture Summit

Oct. 14, 2014

California Agriculture: *Growing for an Ever Changing World*

The Kern Agriculture Summit highlights the strength of agriculture in California, the challenges that affect agriculture and the future trends of sustainability and growth. Examining the seeds sown in the past, cultivating the knowledge today, we prepare for the harvests of tomorrow.

U.S. Congressman and House Majority Leader Kevin McCarthy will be the Honorary Chair at the summit.



Bakersfield College agriculture professor and 2014 Kern Agriculture Summit committee member Lindsay Ono was published in *The Bakersfield Californian* for his Community Voices (<http://www.bakersfieldcalifornian.com/opinion/hot-topics/x945007825/Recent-summit-at-BC-discussed-ags-strengths-and-challenges>) piece on the important information shared at the summit on how agriculture and policy affect our area - [download PDF \(/download/10907\)](#)

Kern Ag Summit at Bakersfield College



Conference Program

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Speakers

- Karen Ross, California Secretary of Agriculture
- Paul Wenger, California Farm Bureau President
- Rep. Kevin McCarthy, House Majority Leader
- Senator Jean Fuller
- Congressman David Valadao

Schedule

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7:00 am - 8:00 am	Registration & Continental Breakfast
8:10 am - 8:20 am	Opening Ceremony Welcome - Barry Zoeller: <i>Tejon Ranch, Master of Ceremonies</i> Presentation of Colors: Future Farmers of America National Anthem: BC Choir/John Gerhold
8:20 am - 8:30 am	Summit Welcome & Introduction Sonya Christian: <i>Bakersfield College President</i> Kevin McCarthy: <i>Honorary Kern Ag Summit Chairman</i>
8:30 am - 9:30 am	Session 1: Karen Ross Karen Ross: <i>Secretary of Agriculture, California Department of Food & Agriculture (DC water presentation)</i> 9:20 am - 9:30 am: Audience Q&A
9:30 am - 11:30	

am	<p>Session 2: California Crop & Water Trends Panel <i>10-15 minute presentation per panelist</i></p> <p>Harry Cline, <i>Western Farm Press</i></p> <p>Jason Peltier, <i>Westland Water District</i></p> <p>David Valadao, <i>US Congressman</i></p> <p>Eric Everett, <i>Kern County Ground Water District</i></p>
11:30 am - 12:30 pm	<p>Lunch: A Calivore Lunch</p> <p>Blessing & Prayer for Rain - Father Jack Estes, <i>The Bakersfield Garden Project</i></p> <p>12:00 pm-12:30 pm: Damian Mason, <i>Inspirational Agriculture Speaker & Humorist</i></p>
12:30 pm - 1:15 pm	<p>Session 3: Paul Wenger</p> <p>Paul Wenger: <i>President, California Farm Bureau</i></p>
1:15 pm - 2:45 pm	<p>Session 4: Farm Challenges in Kern Panel <i>10-15 minute presentation per panelist</i></p> <p>Jason Gianquinto: <i>General Manager, Semitropic Water Storage District</i></p> <p>Greg Wegis: <i>Wegis and Young Farming, Kern County Farmer</i></p> <p>Brenda Baldwin: <i>P,G,&E Customer Relationship Manager</i></p> <p>Jeff Rasmussen: <i>Crop Production Services, CAPCA State Board of Directors, PCA</i></p> <p>David Haviland: <i>Kern County Cooperative Extension, Entomology and Pest Management Farm Advisor</i></p> <p>Ruben Arroyo: <i>Kern County Agricultural Commissioner</i></p>
2:45 pm - 3:15 pm	<p>Session 5: Political Ag Challenges</p> <p>Jean Fuller, <i>State Senator</i></p> <p>Kevin McCarthy, <i>US Congressman</i></p>
3:15 pm - ?	<p>Summit Conclusion</p> <p>Barry Zoeller, <i>Tejon Ranch, Master of Ceremonies</i></p>
3:30 pm - 5:00 pm	<p>Wine with your Elected Officials</p> <p>Wine and Cheese reception</p>

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Equity in Action (/conference/equity-in-action)

2015 Learning Technologies Conference (/conference/2015-bc-conference-on-learning-technologies)

An Evening with Michael Wesch: The End of Wonder in the Age of Whatever (/conference/an-evening-with-michael-wesch-the-changing-world-of-learning-with-web-20)

Sustainability: Building an Institution for the Future Generations (/conference/sustainability-building-an-institution-for-the-future-generations)

2014 Learning Outcomes Conference (/conference/ILO2014)

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2014 Kern Agriculture Summit (/agsummit)

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F: 8 am - 12 pm
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