

AGENDA

Registration: 2:30 to 3:00 pm

Session I: Integrated Pest Management

Moderator: *Elena Toro*, UF/IFAS Extension Agent

◆ Soil Fumigation - 3:00 to 3:30 pm

Dr. Joe Noling

UF/IFAS Extension Nematology Specialist

- Label Changes
- Setback Restrictions
- New Personal Protect Equipment Requirements

◆ Weed Management - 3:30 to 4:00 pm

Dr. Bill Stall

UF/IFAS Extension Weed Specialist

- New Labels
- Herbicides for Row Middles and Under Plastic Mulches
- Research and Cautions for Sprays Over Plastic Mulch

◆ Insect Management - 4:00 to 4:30 pm

Dr. Susan Webb

UF/IFAS Extension Entomology Specialist

- New Products and Labels
- Protecting Bees from Sprays
- Managing Primary Pests (aphid, rind worm, thrips, cutworm, ants, and whitefly)

◆ Disease Management - 4:30 to 5:00 pm

Dr. Steve Olson

UF/IFAS Extension Vegetable Specialist;

Bob Hochmuth

UF/IFAS Extension Agent

- Managing Fungicide Resistance
- Fungicide Spray Rotation Strategies
- Update on Gummy Stem Blight Research in Georgia and Florida

◆ Dinner - 5:00 to 6:00 pm

Sponsored by Watermelon Industry Suppliers & Supporters. Prepared by the Lafayette & Suwannee Conservation District

Session 2: Culture, Promotion, and Food Safety
Moderator: *Dr. Aparna Gazula*, UF/IFAS Extension Agent

◆ Watermelon Variety and Pollenizer Update - 6:00 to 6:30 pm

Dr. Steve Olson,

UF/IFAS Extension Vegetable Specialist

- Variety Trial Results
- Pollenizer Research Update

◆ Irrigation and Nutrient BMPs - 6:30 to 7:15 pm

Mace Bauer

UF/IFAS BMP Implementation Team Leader;

Bob Hochmuth

UF/IFAS Extension Agent; and

Riley Putnal

Putnal Farms, Live Oak

- Practical Water and Nutrient Management from a Farmer's Perspective
- Lessons Learned from On-Farm Blue Dye Demonstrations

◆ Water Use and Permitting Laws - 7:15 to 7:30 pm

Glen Horvath

Suwannee River Water Management District

- Current Status of Irrigation Permits in N Florida

◆ Update from the National Watermelon Promotion Board - 7:30 to 7:45 pm

Mark Arney

Executive Director, National Watermelon Promotion Board

◆ How to Implement a Food Safety Program on Your Farm - 7:45 to 8:15 pm

Gail Hodge

Hodge Farms, Newberry FL;

Laura & Jody Land

Raymond J. Land Watermelon Sales, Branford FL

- Suggestions and examples on how local farmers have implemented a food safety program and made it work for them.

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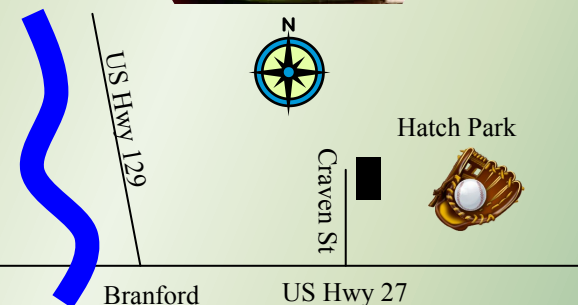
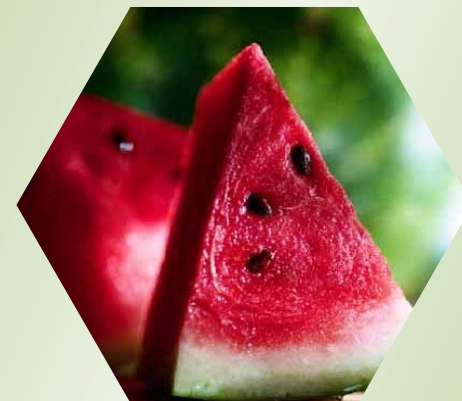
There is no fee for this program but you do need to register. Reserve a spot by contacting Karen at 386-362-1725 ext 101, khancock@ufl.edu or Laurie at 386-362-1725 ext 102, losborne@ufl.edu.

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This is a regional program planned and implemented by 9 County Extension offices in the Suwannee Valley, the NFREC-SV and the Suwannee River Partnership.

Suwannee Valley Watermelon Meeting

Dec 3, 2009 | 2:30 pm - 8:15 pm
Hatch Park Meeting Building
403 SE Craven Street
Branford, Florida



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