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9th ANNUAL NUT INDUSTRY EXPO **Stanislaus County Fairgrounds** **Wednesday, November 9th, 2005**

3.5 Hours of Continuing Education

Almond and walnut growers from the Northern San Joaquin Valley and beyond will gather together for this event, sponsored by the University of California and nut industry suppliers. It features speakers from the University of California and Almond Board focusing on timely topics.

7:00 a.m. ***Commencement / Breakfast***

***Hairy Fleabane (Marestail) Weed Control Recommendations
and Ground Water Issues***

Kurt Hembree, Farm Advisor, UCCE Fresno County

***Recent Progress Using Retain® for Pistillate Flower Abscission,
and Other New Products for Walnuts***

Joe Grant, Farm Advisor, UCCE San Joaquin County

Walnut Best Management Practices

Kathy Kelley, Farm Advisor, UCCE Stanislaus

New Findings on Band Canker on Almonds

Themis Michailides, Plant Pathologist, UC Kearney Ag Center

Good Agricultural Practices in Almonds

Merle Jacobs, Almond Board of California

Management for Hull Rot Control in Almonds

Ken Shackel, Professor/Pomologist, Dept. of Plant Sciences, UC Davis

12:00 p.m. **Tri-Tip Lunch for Attendees**

2005 Review of Almond Pest Problems

Luncheon Speaker: Paul Verdegaal, Farm Advisor, UCCE San Joaquin County