

# 2025 Avocado Irrigation Workshop

June 17 (Tuesday), 2025

1:00 – 4:00 P.M.

San Diego Farm Bureau  
420 S Broadway, Escondido, CA 92025

Registration link: [Registration](#)

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- 1:00 **Overview and Introduction** – *Ali Montazar*
- 1:05 **An Overview of Water and Soil- Related Issues in California Avocados** – *Danny Klittich, Director of Agronomy, Mission Produce, Inc.*
- 1:25 **Recent Irrigation Study on Avocado Crop Water Use: Findings and Recommendations for an Effective and Efficient Irrigation** – *Ali Montazar, UCCE Irrigation and Water Management Advisor, San Diego, Imperial, and Riverside Counties*
- 1:50 **Improving Irrigation System Efficiency and Water Distribution Uniformity in Avocado Groves** – *Ben Faber, UCCE Subtropical Crops Advisor, Ventura and Santa Barbara Counties*
- 2:15 **Root Zone Water Management for Efficient Irrigation** – *Brad Adams, Irrrometer Company*
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- 2:35 **Break**
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- 2:50 **The Interplay of Water Electrical Conductivity, Ionic Composition, and Rootstock on Salinity Tolerance of Avocados** – *Jorge Ferreira, Research Plant Physiologist, US Salinity Laboratory*
- 3:15 **Biochar-Based Filtration: Improving the Safety of Treated Wastewater for Avocado Irrigation** – *Ananda Bhattacharjee, Assistant Research Professor, Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering, University of South Florida*
- 3:40 **AquaSpy Soil Monitoring for Irrigation Management and Nutrient Use Efficiency** – *Kathleen Glass, Aqua Spy Company*
- 4:00 **Adjourn**
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For additional information on the workshop, please contact Ali Montazar, [amontazar@ucanr.edu](mailto:amontazar@ucanr.edu).

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