

19th ANNUAL
AGRICULTURE &
NATURAL RESOURCES
YOUTH WORKSHOP

**Hands-On Educational Experience for High School
Students**



Friday, April 11th 2008
San Joaquin Experimental Range
(Located on Hwy 41, South of Coarsegold)

Join us for a day of getting to know our natural resources.
Learn about wildlife behavior, forest and rangeland management, understanding
watersheds, plants & the soil that supports them.

**Resource professionals share their knowledge and
expertise in both classroom and outdoor settings.**

AGENDA

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| 8:30 | Registration Begins | |
| 9:00 -9:15 | Welcome & Introductions | Jenny Gabor, Soil Conservationist
<i>USDA, N.R..C.S.</i> |
| 9:15 – 10:15 | Birds of the San Joaquin Range | Kathy Purcell, Biologist
<i>USDA, Forest Service, S. J. Exp. Range</i> |
| 10:15 - 10:30 | Break | |
| 10:30 – 10:45 | Range & Natural Resource Camp | Jenny Gabor |
| 10:45 – 11:45 | Mountain Lion & Deer
Interrelationship | Don Neal, Research Scientist (Ret.)
<i>USDA, Forest Service, Pacific Southwest
Forest & Range Experiment Station</i> |
| 11:45 – 12:30 | LUNCH provided with registration | |
| | <i>Contest for Scholarship to Range & Natural Resources Camp</i> | |
| 12:30 – 1:30 | Exploring Soils | Susan Perez, Soil Conservationist
<i>USDA, NRCS</i> |
| 1:30 – 3:00 | Rangeland Plants and Wildlife Habitat
Identification & Monitoring | Neil McDougald, Rangeland Advisor
<i>UC Cooperative Extension</i>
Dennis Dudley, Rangeland Specialist
Jeff Hansen, Rangeland Specialist
<i>USDA, NRCS</i> |
| 3:00-3:30 | Internships & Careers in Natural Resources
Closing remarks and Certificates | |

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The Agriculture and Natural Resources Youth Workshop is for high school students in High School. Teachers, 4-H, or FFA advisors and Homeschool Parents are welcome and should bring students interested in natural resources management.

The goal of this workshop is to provide information while emphasizing the importance of our natural resources. The way we manage our natural resources such as soil, water, air, plants, and animals is critical in determining our present and future welfare. The conservation and wise use of these resources found on our croplands, grasslands, and woodlands are key elements in keeping our lands and society productive.

The workshop will include presentations from various professions on resource management and preservation. Topics covered may include Forestry, Wildlife, Water/Aquatics, Soils, Vegetation and Range Management. Material for topics covered in the sessions will be provided at the workshop. Students are encouraged to share this material with their peers.

Interested students will have the opportunity to compete in a contest for an expense paid trip to the California Range and Natural Resources Camp at Elkus Ranch in Half Moon Bay 2008.

Please visit www.casrm.org for more information on *Rangecamp*.

These workshops in the past have been a joint effort of the Resource Conservation Districts www.carcd.org , UC Cooperative Extension www.ucanr.org , Madera County Fish & Game Fines Committee www.dfg.ca.gov , USDA Forest Service www.fs.fed.us and USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service www.ca.nrcs.usda.gov

Portions of this workshop are outdoors. Appropriate clothing should be worn for warm or cold weather. Lunch and refreshments will be provided. Please notify the NRCS representatives of those with special needs and arrangements will be made. All students need to be accompanied with an Advisors or parent.

ALL REGISTRATION FORMS MUST BE RECEIVED BY APRIL 4TH

For additional information, please contact the Natural Resources Conservation Service: Jenny Gabor or Dennis Dudley in Madera (559) 674-2108 ext. 3

REGISTRATION

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Please Print

CONTACT NAME: _____

PHONE: _____ **FAX:** _____

SCHOOL/GROUP: _____

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

MAILING ADDRESS: _____

ADVISOR/CHAPERON: _____

1. _____ 4. _____

2. _____ 5. _____

3. _____ 6. _____

Please contact NRCS with replacement names if listed students are unable to attend
Please come prepared with appropriate shoes and clothing for the outdoors.
Students must be accompanied by their advisors or parents

Lunch and refreshments will be provided.

PLEASE MAIL REGISTRATION TO :

USDA, NRCS Attention: Youth Workshop

425 North Gateway, Suite K. Madera, CA 93637 or Fax to (559) 674-2109

If you have questions or special needs please contact: Jenny Gabor or Dennis Dudley
at (559) 674-2108 ext 3