



Meeting Announcement/News Advisory

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Farm Bill changes will be focus of Feb. 5 meeting for growers

Fresno County Farm Bureau, California Cotton Growers and Ginners Associations, Nisei Farmers League, and the law firm of Sawyers & Holland, LLP are hosting an informational meeting on Thursday, Feb. 5 from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. at the Harris Ranch Inn near Coalinga to discuss significant changes in the federal farm programs that go into effect this year. These changes will require some growers to alter their business structures and operations if they want to continue participating in these programs.

Among other topics, the meeting will cover new forms and filing deadlines; changes to gross income limits and the introduction of loss limits; changes that affect corporations, LLCs and trusts that reduce overall payments; and the addition of new management requirements. Speaking at the meeting will be agricultural and water law attorneys Gary Sawyers and Dave Holland from the firm of Sawyers & Holland, LLP, and agricultural accountant Toni Porter, CPA, from the firm of Baker, Peterson & Franklin, CPA, LLP.

There is no cost for the meeting, but reservations are requested. For additional details or to make a reservation, call Farm Bureau's Government Affairs Coordinator Teresa Plascencia at (559) 237-0263 or via email at: teresap@fcb.org.

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