

Agricultural Commissioner Cooperative Extension

NO PRESENTATION

SIGNIFICANT ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Continued to increase the number of pesticide use reports submitted electronically by working with growers to assist with converting them to the online system. The percentage of reports submitted online increased by 10% over the last year to 53%. This reduces the number of errors that require follow-up by technical staff.
- The efforts of the department enabled the agricultural industry to continue normal operations during the ongoing Light Brown Apple Moth quarantine.
- Developed a focused quality assurance component to the Pesticide Use Enforcement Program driven by departmental strategic planning.

SERVICE LEVEL REDUCTIONS

- Oak Tree Program: The regulatory components of the Oak Tree Ordinance and complaints will continue to be a priority for the department. The department will no longer carry out the voluntary planting and educational components.

LAYOFFS

- Oak Tree Program, Agricultural Program Specialist, 1-pos. (Biologist position being held vacant for this purpose)

BUDGET EXPANSIONS

- None