

## **Free workshops to help farmers use USDA's Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance Program**

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[UC Agriculture and Natural Resources](#) (UC ANR) is hosting workshops in July and August to help producers of specialty crops in California understand and apply for the [Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance Program](#) (NAP) from USDA.

The workshops will outline buy-up options and provide an overview of the web-based decision tool to determine crop eligibility and estimate fees, premiums and payments.

NAP provides financial assistance to producers of noninsurable crops to protect against natural disasters that result in lower yields or crops losses, or prevents crop planting. Eligible causes of loss include damaging weather (drought, freeze, hail, etc.) and adverse natural occurrences (earthquake, flood, plant disease, insect infestations, etc.)

NAP was reauthorized by the 2014 Farm Bill with some changes. Producers now have the option to cover up to 65 percent of yield and 100 percent of the price compared to the old program, where coverage was only available at 50 percent of yield and 55 percent of price.

Assistance covering the premiums and service fee waivers are available to those who qualify.

The workshops will be as follows:

### **July 17, 9:30 a.m. to 12 noon**

UC ANR Cooperative Extension office in Monterey County  
1432 Abbot St., Salinas

### **(Spanish) July 17, 1:30 to 4 p.m.**

UC ANR Cooperative Extension office in Monterey County  
1432 Abbot St., Salinas

### **July 20, 9:30 a.m. to 12 noon**

UC ANR Cooperative Extension office in Fresno County  
550 E. Shaw Ave., Fresno

### **(Hmong) July 20, 1:30 to 4 p.m.**

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**July 22, 9:30 a.m. to 12 noon**  
Radisson Hotel  
3455 Skyway Dr., Santa Maria

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**July 28, 9:30 a.m. to 12 noon**  
UC Riverside Extension  
1200 University Ave., Riverside

**August 4, 9:30 a.m. to 12 noon**  
Cracchiolo's Banquet Hall  
1320 E. Main St., Woodland

**August 6, 9:30 a.m. to 12 noon**  
UC ANR Cooperative Extension office in Sonoma County  
133 Aviation Blvd., #109, Santa Rosa

**August 13, 9:30 a.m. to 12 noon**  
Elks Lodge  
150 S. Shasta St., Willows

Registration is free. Register for the workshops online at <http://ucanr.edu/nap>. For more information, email [anrprogramsupport@ucanr.edu](mailto:anrprogramsupport@ucanr.edu) or contact Rachael Anders, (530) 750-1258; or Lauren McNees, (530) 750-1257.

UC ANR is offering the workshops in conjunction with the USDA Farm Service Agency.

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