

2022 WORLD ALFALFA CONGRESS FIELD TOUR SCHEDULE

Profitable Alfalfa Production Sustains the Environment

November 14-17, 2022

Subject to Change

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2022 FIELD TOUR OF IMPERIAL VALLEY, CA

This is one of the most fascinating agricultural areas in the world, and November will feature an active field season. Imperial Valley is a significant producer of winter vegetables, seeds for planting, fruit and nut crops, durum wheat for pasta production, dairy and livestock, alfalfa and grass hays. Discover how the diversity of low- and high-value crops interact to provide sustainable crop production. Products are shipped globally. The excess summer heat, water supply, salinity, and (often) difficult soils, challenge the skills of farmers. They have made it into one of the most productive desert crop production areas of the world, with gravity-fed irrigation systems.

Wear hats, sunscreen, and appropriate shoes for walking. Please request handicap accessibility if needed.

6:30 Gather in Hotel Lobby

7:00 Depart from Hotel

9:30 Water Systems in Imperial Valley

Imperial Irrigation District, El Centro, California

10:30 Alfalfa Production & Water Conservation Practices in the Low Desert of California

Leimgruber Farms, Holtville, California

11:30 Growing Organic & Conventional Vegetable Crops in the Imperial Valley

Holtville, California

12:30 Lunch • Sponsored by Top Notch Seeds

Imperial Valley Fairgrounds

Speakers from Farm Bureau

• History of Extension & Alfalfa Breeding in Imperial Valley

14:00 Seed Production Facility

Top Notch Seed, Brawley, California

15:00 Hay Export Company

16:15 Depart for Hotel

18:30 Arrive at Hotel



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