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Placer County RCD to Present on Irrigation Water Management and Hedgerows at the PlacerGROWN Food and Farm Conference

Irrigation Water Management and Hedgerows will be presented at the PlacerGROWN Food and Farm Conference scheduled for Saturday, February 4th at Lincoln High School. Mark White of the Placer County Resource Conservation District will discuss the factors and information needed to develop an irrigation system. Irrigation water management (IWM) principles will be discussed. Attendees will be provided a summary of the resources available to help them manage an existing irrigation system or to plan for a new irrigation system.

Rick Gruen and Matt Dunnahoe will discuss the multiple conservation benefits of hedgerows on rural acreage landscapes and working farms. While most often used for recruiting native pollinators, the hedgerow design and native plant selection makes this practice equally suited for enhancing wildlife habitat, creating soft edge buffers and even value added agricultural products. This presentation focuses on the Placer County Hedgerow Program and provides information on site determination, soil suitability, soil preparation techniques and native plant selection for the central Sierra foothills.

These will be one of 25 workshops to be held on February 4, 2012, at the Lincoln High School, Lincoln, CA. For more information, including registration, visit either <http://placergrown.org/wp/> or <http://ucanr.org/sites/PGFFC>, or call PlacerGROWN at (530) 889-7398 or UC Cooperative Extension at (530) 889-7385.

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