PRIORITIES AND POSITIONS

WEED SCIENCE CE Positions approved for 2014 Position Call
Round 3 (Fall 2015): • Area Agronomic Cropping / Weed Science Advisor (Glenn, Butte, Tehama)
Round 4 (Spring 2016): • Area Low Desert Weed Advisor (Imperial, Riverside)

WEED SCIENCE CE Positions NOT approved for 2014 Position Call
• Specialist—Weed Management in Central Valley vegetable and grain cropping systems (UCD)
• Aquatic Weed Management CE Specialist (UCD, UCANR, or UCR)
• IPM Weed Advisor (Kearney)
• Invasive and non-crop weeds Advisor (Sonoma/Lake/Mendocino/Humboldt, etc.)

New areas/positions needed:
• Application Technology (work with UCD Biological & Agricultural Engineering on this position)
• Vegetable-Weed Science (San Joaquin, south valley, Kearney—Le Strange, Lanini)

New news
• New hires
  1. Travis Bean, CE Assistant Specialist—weed science @ UC Riverside (Botany & Plant Sciences)
  2. Tom Getts, Farm Advisor—invasive weeds and cropping systems @ Lassen County (starts 6/1/2015)
  3. Elise Gornish, CE Assistant Specialist—restoration ecology @ UC Davis (Plant Sciences)
  4. Cole Thompson, Asst. Professor—turfgrass and landscape physiology @ Cal Poly SLO (Horticulture & Crop Science)
• In the process of hiring
  1. Assistant CE Specialist—rangeland management @ UC Davis (Plant Sciences)
• Scott Steinmaus is the Dept. Head for Horticulture & Crop Science @ Cal Poly SLO

ELECTION OF CHAIR and Co-CHAIR

Instead of the 6-person Weed Workgroup Program Committee, we will move to a 2-person committee (Chair and Co-Chair). The Co-Chair will move into the Chair position the following year.
• 2015-16: John Roncoroni (Chair) and Steve Fennimore (Co-chair)
• 2016-17: Steve Fennimore (Chair) and TBA (Co-chair)

WEBSITE REDESIGN

2015-2016 Website Committee: Joe DiTomaso, Ben Faber, Lynn Sosnoskie, Michelle LeStrange, Lauri Brandeberry (UCD Plant Sciences webmaster), and Gale Pérez
• Moving WeedRIC website to WordPress (content management system which has a website template)—no software purchase needed. WordPress allows multiple people to edit the website—you just need internet access, login and password.
• If you have something to post/add to the website, e-mail Gale who will run it by the website committee.
• Suggested addition to the website—link to CalWeedMapper (Cal-IPC)
UPDATING THE WEED SUSCEPTIBILITY CHART

2015-2016 Weed Susceptibility Chart Committee: Steve Fennimore, Brad Hanson, Tunyalee Martin, Richard Smith
Suggestions made:
  • UC IPM house the weed susceptibility chart
  • Add—mode of actions, new material, new weeds

OTHER

  • Brad Hanson is looking into creating a database of weed science documents (reports, information, data, etc.)
    ➢ Searchable (year, principal investigator, crop, herbicide, etc.)
    ➢ 5-6 keywords
    ➢ May possibly set up a “special library” in the ANR Repository