

## PRIORITIES AND POSITIONS

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### 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

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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

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*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

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*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

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- 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