

Kona Cooperative Extension – Events and Announcements Newsletter

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Visit <https://www.hawaiicoffeeed.com/events-and-announcements> for additional information on the following events, announcements and more.

UH CTAHR Cooperative Extension Offices will be closed on the following days:

Friday, November 10th, in observance of Veterans' Day

We are gauging interest for participation in CLR, CBB and Coffee-related Research Update Webinars that will be held in early 2024. Please let us know when you would most likely be available to join us, your feedback will allow us to reach more of the industry and have more engagement for our speakers.

Complete the survey - <https://go.hawaii.edu/Sey>

HDOA update on Priaxor Xemium fungicide

Hello all,

Attached is the Section 3 label for Priaxor (<https://go.hawaii.edu/9Yy>) along with the supplemental label (<https://go.hawaii.edu/yYh>) for use on coffee that you may start using. The Section 18 Emergency Exemption label that requires the notification and post application records will no longer be valid starting November 1, 2023.

More information can be found at <https://hdoa.hawaii.gov/pi/main/clrinfo/>

Feel free to forward this email to any parties you think may be affected and let me know if you had any questions.

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Coconut Rhinoceros Beetle FAQ with CRB Hawaii at City Mill Mililani

Join us for an exciting and informative session on the Coconut Rhinoceros Beetle (CRB) at City Mill - Mililani. Discover everything you need to know about these creatures and how they are negatively affecting our ecosystem. Learn from specialists from Coconut Rhinoceros Beetle (CRB) Response speakers who will share their knowledge and experience in dealing with CRB infestations. Whether you're a concerned citizen, a farmer, or just curious about these beetles, this Q&A session is a must-

attend event. Don't miss out on this unique opportunity to expand your understanding of the CRB and its effects on our aina. Mark your calendars and join us for an engaging and educational session.

- Wednesday, November 8 · 10am - 12pm HST - <https://go.hawaii.edu/yeV>
 - Saturday, November 11 · 10 - 11am HST - <https://go.hawaii.edu/yex>
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What is the DCCA?

The goal of Hawaii's Dept of Commerce and Consumer Affairs (DCCA) is to promote a strong and health business environment, while protecting the community from unfair or deceptive business practices. It does this in a variety of ways, including registering businesses, regulating professionals in occupations requiring licensure, investigating complaints of fraudulent and unfair business practices, and monitoring the financial solvency of local banks and insurance companies. Come learn about what the DCCA does and how you can work with it.

Our presenter is Beth Pomeroy-Theoret, the DCCA's Kona Supervising Investigator, Regulated Industries Complaints Office.

Tuesday, November 14

10:00 AM-11:30 PM

No Charge, On Line Webinar

Register Now - <https://go.hawaii.edu/2ey>

Coconut Rhinoceros Beetle Grubs Found on Hawaii Island

HONOLULU – Coconut rhinoceros beetle (CRB) grubs have been found at a residence in Waikoloa Village on Hawai'i Island. This is the first discovery of the invasive beetle on the island.

On Oct. 11, 2023, the resident found five large grubs (larvae) in a decaying palm tree stump on the property and reported it to the Coconut Rhinoceros Beetle Response Project. Staff from the Hawai'i Department of Agriculture (HDOA) responded to the site and collected the specimens which were sent to a University of Hawai'i laboratory in Honolulu where a DNA-based test was used to identify the grubs as CRB. On Wednesday of this week, the resident reported finding one more grub on the property. No other grubs or adult CRB have been detected so far on Hawai'i Island.

To continue reading visit - <https://go.hawaii.edu/4Yy>

Coffee Leaf Rust Webinar Series

This webinar series is provided as a free resource for our association members and the broader community. It is designed to provide important updates on the Coffee Leaf Rust disease in Hawaii. The

webinar series will consist of three sessions and have Q&A at the end of each. Mark your calendars for the following dates and join the webinars by following the links listed below.

The second webinar is in two days, Thursday, November 9, at 10am!

Webinar #1 - Watch Here (<https://go.hawaii.edu/yek>) - CLR on Hawaii Island: Biology, Cultural and Chemical Control Options with Melissa Johnson

Webinar #2 - Join Here (<https://go.hawaii.edu/Xey>) - Controlling CLR: From the Lab to the Field with Lisa Keith

Webinar #3 - TBD - CLR Resistant Varietals with Tracie Matsumoto

Kona Coffee Festival - November 3-12

Visit <https://go.hawaii.edu/FUy> for more information

- 2023 Festival Call for Entries, Vendors and Participants
- Calling All Kona Coffee Farmers
- Festival Vendor Opportunities
- Festival Lantern Parade Friday, November 3
- 2023 KTA Super Stores Kona Coffee Recipe Contest Sunday, November 12
- 52nd Annual Kona Coffee Cultural Festival Starts Brewing November 3 through 12

Coffea liberica rootstock seedlings available – Big Island ONLY

These are plants are second generation, open pollinated liberica seedlings. Research has shown variation of coffee root knot nematode tolerance when second generation, open-pollinated seedlings are used as rootstock. **Hence, these plants are to be used as rootstock grafting material ONLY and NOT for planting out and harvesting rootstock seed from.**

We currently have about 100 large *Coffea liberica* seedlings and 20 racks (98 ct) of younger *C. liberica* seedlings available at the Kona Research Station. The larger seedlings can be used to graft larger (approx. 1/4") mother plant scion materials onto. The smaller seedlings can be used to graft seedling materials onto with the Reyna Method.

For grafting larger scion materials, we have had success with leaving at least 2 leaves below the graft, using a splice graft, and grafting onto the green internode or stem of the rootstock with a scion of similar diameter. We have used electrical tape to bind the scion and rootstock together at the graft union and then parafilm to cover the scion and graft union to reduce drying and transpiration. Photos

from the "Catimor Hybrid CLR-resistant Coffee Project at the Kona Research Station" recorded presentation (<https://go.hawaii.edu/yrh> - fast forward to 13:23) may be helpful to you while Andrea works on an advanced grafting presentation for the future. For grafting of younger scion materials with the Reyna Method, see this presentation (<https://go.hawaii.edu/4ry>).

Please contact Matt at mnmiyahi@hawaii.edu if you are interested in *Coffea liberica* rootstock seedlings. Quantities are limited. First come, first serve. Pick up on the BIG ISLAND ONLY at this time.

Perennial Peanut Available

We will have limited amounts of perennial peanut in trays available next month (Nov). To reserve your tray(s), please contact Matt at mnmiyahi@hawaii.edu. First come, first serve. Quantities limited. Pick up from the Kona Extension Office (Kealahou) ONLY.

Navigating MyIPM for Success

Best Practices for Using the MyIPM App for Pest Identification and More

With Dr. Angelita Acebes-Doria, USDA ARS

November 29, 2023 5-6:30 pm

Register - <https://go.hawaii.edu/yey>

Zoom- <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/83587192592>

MyIPM is a phone app that can be used by commercial producers and homeowners to identify pests, learn about management strategies and more. This webinar will introduce users to how to navigate the MyIPM app to use it successfully for your needs.

The webinar will allow for plenty of interaction so please come with the app

already downloaded and try out the app before attending.

Find out more and how to download free here - <https://go.hawaii.edu/nev>

GUILD Consulting announces request for stakeholder input and participation for State project to evaluate Kona and Ka'u Coffee labeling.

(Honolulu, HI) Project participation from diverse Kona and Ka'u coffee stakeholders is sought. After a brief project delay, GUILD Consulting announces a request for project participation and industry input.

In mid-November, GUILD Consulting will conduct a series of surveys, focus groups, and interviews to gather critical feedback on topics related to Kona and Ka'u coffee, coffee labeling, and the production of Kona and Ka'u coffees. Those interested in taking part are asked to provide their contact information via a two-minute online form to be considered for project participation and to sign up for periodic project updates.

GUILD Consulting is pleased to announce it has now retained Dr. Oral Capps, Executive Professor and Regents Professor in the Department of Agricultural Economics at Texas A&M University to serve as the project economist. Joining Dr. Capps at his request are his colleagues, Dr. Harold Goodwin, Professor Emeritus at the University of Arkansas and Loren Burns, a long-time Research Associate with Dr. Capps at Texas A&M.

This project has been made possible via Act 222, SLH 2022, which was enacted to support Hawai'i's coffee growers by appropriating funds to the Hawaii Department of Agriculture to conduct an independent study to assess the economic impact of Hawai'i's coffee labeling laws on local coffee farmers and the local coffee industry.

To be considered for project participation and/or to sign up for periodic project updates, please complete the two-minute online form.

2024 WUSATA Pavilion at ANTAD Trade Show

Guadalajara, Mexico

Registration Opens: Thursday, October 19th, 2023

Show Dates: March 12 - 15, 2024

Expo ANTAD Alimentaria is Mexico's leading and largest retail trade show, which attracts more than 37,000 visitors and 1,700 exhibitors. Expo ANTAD has become the largest food industry exhibition in Mexico and is the ideal forum for international exhibitors to showcase their premium products to quality buyers, importers, and industry experts.

Participating companies will be provided with a kiosk, kiosk signage, an interpreter, and a chair.

This activity is eligible for WUSATA's FundMatch Program - up to 50% reimbursement on approved expenditures related to product showcases, such as registration fee and product shipping freight.

Benefits of Participation:

- Feature your products in WUSATA's Pavilion at Mexico's largest food and hospitality trade show.
- Potential Mexican buyers, importers, and industry experts will be able to see your products and displayed and promoted by you within the USA Pavilion - WUSATA Pavilion will be in a premium location.

- Participating companies will have the option for an interpreter in their booth.
- 1 hotel room per company per night (4 nights)

Itinerary:

- March 11- Arrival in Guadalajara, Set-Up
- March 12- Show Day 1
- March 13- Show Day 2
- March 14- Show Day 3, Tear Down
- March 15- Departure

Participation Fee: \$450 Early Bird Registration (deadline December 31), **\$750 Standard Registration**
Registration Deadline: February 15, 2024

For Questions, Please Contact:

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Maui Pesticide Disposal Event

Greetings,

My name is Adam Williams, Project Manager for the Hawaii Department of Agriculture's ("HDOA") Pesticide Disposal Program ("PDP"). I am writing to inform you about the upcoming Maui pesticide disposal event to be held on Friday, December 15, 2023 from 8:00am to 3:00pm.

HDOA's PDP offers **FREE** disposal for up to 250 pounds of canceled, suspended, unwanted, or unlabeled ("CSUU") **pesticides** per eligible participant. Participants contributing more than 250 pounds of pesticides would need to enter into a separate disposal agreement with the contractor at a reduced payment rate. Please see the attached Accepted-Unaccepted Materials list.

Any agricultural entity, licensed pest control operator, landscape professional, pesticide dealer, and other commercial users of pesticides in the State can participate in the pesticide disposal program. **No enforcement action will be taken** against participants for disposing of CSUU pesticides.

The goal of the PDP is to promote a cleaner and safer Hawaii by reducing the amount of pesticides which could potentially impact human health or the environment. If you are on Maui and need to dispose of pesticides, please participate and help spread the word.

If you are not on Maui, yet, have connections with another business that could benefit from this free pesticide disposal program, please send them this email. We kindly ask for your help to make Maui's pesticide disposal event a success.

Maui Disposal Event

Friday, December 15, 2023

8:00am-3:00pm

Registration Deadline: Friday, November 24, 2023 by 4:30pm

Pesticide Disposal Program webpage:
<https://hdoa.hawaii.gov/pi/main/pesticide-disposal-program/>

- The webpage includes information on:
 - Accepted-Unaccepted Materials
 - Disposal Schedule
 - FAQs
 - Pesticide Transportation Safety Tips
 - Registration Form

Contractor Contact Information:

EnviroServices & Training Center
Point-of-Contact: Kara Nakachi or Alex Krause
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Regards,

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Deadline Extended to November 30 to submit documentation for USDA’s Reimbursement Transportation Cost Payment Program

USDA has extended the deadline to submit supporting documentation for a timely RTCP application received on Sept. 29, 2023 or prior. Producers have until November 30, 2023 to submit receipts for purchases made in fiscal year 2023. This program helps U.S. farmers and livestock producers outside the 48 contiguous states who are at a competitive disadvantage when transporting agricultural products to market.

USDA Risk Management Agency Fact Sheet

Whole-Farm Revenue Protection (WFRP) provides a risk management safety net for all commodities on the farm under one insurance policy. This insurance plan is tailored for any farm with up to \$17 million in insured revenue, including farms with specialty or organic commodities (both crops and livestock), or

those marketing to local, regional, farm-identity preserved, specialty, or direct markets.

Continue reading - <https://go.hawaii.edu/yeF>

USDA's Conservation Reserve Program Pays More Than \$1.77 Billion to America's Producers in Support of Conservation and Climate-Smart Agriculture

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) has issued more than \$1.77 billion this year to agricultural producers and landowners through its Conservation Reserve Program (CRP), a critical piece of the Department's efforts to support climate-smart agriculture and forestry on working lands. Right now, CRP's more than 667,000 participants received payments from USDA's Farm Service Agency (FSA) for their voluntary conservation efforts on more than 23 million acres of private land. Since 2021, CRP has grown by 21 percent in terms of acres enrolled, testament to the Biden-Harris administration's program improvement efforts.

Continue reading - <https://go.hawaii.edu/aey>

USDA Highlights Progress in Partnering with Farmers to Increase Innovative Domestic Fertilizer Production, Expand Double Cropping through Investing in America Agenda

U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Secretary Tom Vilsack today highlighted progress made in partnering with farmers and American businesses to increase innovative domestic fertilizer production and in making it easier for U.S. farmers to grow food through the practice of double cropping. USDA also announced \$52.6 million in awards under the Fertilizer Production Expansion Program, which will fund 17 new projects to boost domestic fertilizer manufacturing, support innovative fertilizer technologies, and help lower costs for farmers.

Continue reading - <https://go.hawaii.edu/yeb>

Governor Green Releases \$500,000 for DA BUX Double-Up Program

Governor Josh Green, M.D., has released \$500,000 for the DA BUX Double-Up Program (DA BUX), which doubles recipients' purchasing power for locally grown produce, using their federally funded Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits.

DA BUX program launched in 2017 and is administered by the Hawai'i Food Basket, Inc. in partnership with the Hawai'i Good Food Alliance. The Food Basket estimates that every dollar spent in the program contributes \$2.10 to the local economy.

Continue reading - <https://go.hawaii.edu/8ey>

November 2023 The Independent Voice

View the full newsletter - <https://go.hawaii.edu/yer>

In this issue:

- Message from President Petersen
 - 51% Labeling Sign Up Reminder
 - Product Labeling Background Information
 - Priaxor "Emergency Permit" Restrictions Removed
 - LFA Support from the Hawaii Ant Lab
 - The New Education Page on the KCA Website
 - Hawai'i Ag Mediation Program Expands Services
 - Kona Coffee Cultural Festival
 - Green Coffee Summit Dec. 5/6 - free
 - Holualoa Coffee & Art Stroll
 - What Impacts Your Coffee More than your Coffee Maker
 - Used Coffee Grounds May be Harmful to your Plants
 - El Niño Active
 - Salute to Business Member - Dovetail Gallery and Design
 - Editor - Clare Wilson
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Mālama Kaua'i November Newsletter

View the full newsletter - <https://go.hawaii.edu/mey>

In this issue:

- Employee Spotlight - Camille Pakchong
 - Moloa'a 'ĀINA Center Update
 - Native Hawaiian Food Producer Grants
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Ho'ōla Farms | October Newsletter

Sign up for the Ho'ōla Farms newsletter - <https://go.hawaii.edu/yeD>

In this issue:

- Hawai'i Farm-to-Car Market
 - Upcoming Agriculture Trainings
 - Attention Veteran Farmers!
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The Kohala Center Agricultural Resources Bulletin: November 2, 2023

View the full newsletter - <https://go.hawaii.edu/iey>

In this issue:

- Support for Maui
 - Employment
 - Opportunities
 - Events
 - News for Co-ops, Collectives, and Hui
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FSA National Outreach & Education Update - November 2023

View the full newsletter - <https://go.hawaii.edu/yeR>

In this issue:

- USDA Informational Webinar for Farm Labor Pilot
 - USDA Releases New Tribal Partnerships Page on Farmers.gov Website
 - Inflation Reduction Act Section 22006 Assistance for Distressed Borrowers
 - USDA to Provide More Than \$3Billion to Commodity and Specialty Crop Producers Impacted by 2022 Natural Disasters
 - Urban and Innovative Producers, Public Invited to Attend November Meeting of Federal Advisory Committee for Urban Agriculture and Innovative Production
 - In Case You Missed It
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Western IPM Center November Newsletter

See all of Western IPM's newsletters - <https://go.hawaii.edu/Xeg>

In this issue:

- Join Our Live Webinar Friday to Learn about Western IPM Center Grants
 - Funding Available from all the Regional IPM Centers
 - IPM Funding Also Available for Diversity, Equity, Inclusion and Accessibility
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 - See These Western IPM Center-Funded Projects in a Different Light
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