

CITRUS WORKSHOP

Title: Citrus Crop and Canopy Management for New Promising Varieties

Location: Southwest Florida Research and Education Center, Immokalee

Date & time: Wednesday, 16 May 2018, 9:00 AM – 12:00 Noon

Speakers: Tripti Vashisth and Fernando Alferez, UF-IFAS

Program Coordinator: Mongi Zekri, UF-IFAS

2 CEUs for Certified Crop Advisors (CCAs)

You will learn techniques for canopy management and hand pruning of trees producing high value fresh fruit from new varieties such as Sugar Belle, Early Pride and Tango. We will focus on the Do's and Don'ts of hand pruning. We will talk about the When, the How and the What for. Then, we will discuss ways to optimize fruit production in these varieties, involving Crop Management Techniques.

Agenda

9:00 – 9:15

**Check-in
Refreshments**

9:15 – 9:30

Introduction and Session Overview by Dr. Mongi Zekri

9:30 – 9:50

Managing tree Canopy for Better Crop Returns
Mechanical Pruning versus Hand Pruning by Dr. Fernando Alferez

9:50-10:00

Break

10:00 – 10:30

Pruning Trials Results by Dr. Tripti Vashisth

10:30 – 11:00

Hand Pruning in Depth. Adapting to Fresh Fruit
Production with New Varieties by Dr. Fernando Alferez

11:00-11:10

Break

11:10 – 11:40

Crop Management and Thinning Trials Results
by Dr. Tripti Vashisth

11:40– 12:00

Final Considerations by Dr. Fernando Alferez

12:00 pm

Lunch
