Early detection technologies can become valuable tools for identifying HLB positive trees before physical symptoms of the disease appear. A massive amount of research is underway, but for a variety of reasons is not yet being used in the field or for regulatory purposes. California Citrus Mutual and the Citrus Research Board invite you to learn why at the:

HLB Early Detection Technology Summit

Tuesday, December 1, 2015 | 8:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.
Visalia Convention Center, 303 E. Acequia Avenue, Visalia

Register online at CitrusInsider.org or to California Citrus Mutual, 559-592-3790.

Doors Open - 8:30 a.m.
Complimentary coffee, juice and breakfast pastries

Morning Session – 9:00 a.m.
Presentations from lead researchers working on early detection technologies for HLB

Mike Irey – Director of Research and Business Development, Southern Gardens Citrus, Florida

Dr. David Bartels – Entomologist, USDA APHIS PPQ, Mission Laboratory, Texas

Dr. Carolyn Slupsky – Professor in the Departments of Nutrition, and Food Science & Technology, UC Davis

Dr. Neil McRoberts – Associate Professor of Plant Pathology, Quantitative Biology and Epidemiology Lab, UC Davis

Moderated by: Dr. Beth Grafton-Cardwell, Director of Lindcove REC & Research Entomologist, UC Riverside

Lunch – 12:00 p.m.
Registration Required
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Afternoon Session – 1:00 p.m.
"Are HLB early detection technologies viable for the CA citrus industry?"

Robert Atkins – Statewide Coordinator, Citrus Pest and Disease Prevention Program

Dr. Ed Civerolo – Advisor, Citrus Research Board

Victoria Hornbaker – Citrus Program Manager, CDFA

Dr. Cheryl Blomquist – Senior Plant Pathologist, CDFA

Dr. Mary Palm – Leader, HLB MAC Group, USDA

Dr. Philip Berger – Executive Director, Science & Technology, USDA APHIS PPQ

Richard Bennett – Citrus Grower and Chair, Citrus Research Board

Moderated by: Kerry Tucker – Nuffer, Smith, Tucker Public Relations