La Paz County Crop Update Meeting
March 27, 2019 8:00am-Noon
AWC Parker – Room #107 1109 Geronimo, Parker,AZ

7:45 AM Registration

8:00 AM Disease Update for Field Crops
Fusarium wilt of cotton caused by Race 4 is a serious threat to Arizona cotton. In this talk, general symptoms and disease management will be discussed. Almost every Alfalfa field has some type of disease and scouting is the key to know what diseases are present in your Alfalfa field. Several common Alfalfa diseases in Arizona will be discussed.

Speaker: Hu Jiahuai (Alex), Ph.D, Plant Pathologist, University of Arizona

8:40 AM Pest and Nutrition Management of Forage Crops in Arizona
Updates on the management of the insect pest complex of Alfalfa will be discussed as well as Phosphorus and Potassium management.

Speaker: Ayman Mostafa, Ph.D., Assistant Area Agent, University of Arizona

9:20 AM Pest and Crop Management in Desert Cotton Production Systems
An update on the recommended cotton varieties based on the varietal selection trials done at the Ag Center, and discussion of Cotton Root Rot Management.

Speaker: Randy Norton, Ph.D., Extension Agronomist and Director, Safford Ag Center, University of Arizona

10:00 AM Alfalfa and Cotton Weed Management Update
Weeds are a perennial problem in Cotton and Alfalfa. Latest findings on weed management including, herbicides and herbicide resistance.

Speaker: William McCloskey, Ph.D., Extension Weed Specialist, University of Arizona Cooperative Extension

10:40 AM Growing field Crops with Less Water
A discussion of irrigation management to maximize production with less water.

Speaker: Mike Ottman, Ph.D., Extension Agronomist, University of Arizona Cooperative Extension

11:20 AM Water Conditions and the Drought in Arizona
Latest updates on the water situation in the Southwest as it affects agriculture in La Paz County.

Speaker: Paul Brown, Ph.D., Extension Specialist and Research Biometeorology, University of Arizona.

12:00 PM Lunch

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