

University of California Cooperative Extension
2019 Automated
Thinner and Weeder Field day
Tuesday, May 21
10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon
USDA Spence Research Field Station
1572 Old Stage Road (follow signs once on ranch)

Topics:

- Importance and new role of automated technologies in weed control
- Automated lettuce thinners and automated weeders developed by a number of companies will be demonstrated on planted lettuce
- Both driven and autonomous machines will be on display and demonstrated
- The machines use a variety of different mechanisms to remove unwanted plants
- These technologies can be used in both conventional and organic production systems
- There will be ample opportunity to watch demonstrations of each machine and to discuss with company representatives

Companies Represented:

- Ag Mechtronix, FarmWise, Ferrari (Veda Farming), Garford (Quinn Tractor), Mantis Ag Technologies, Naio Technologies, Robovator (Pacific Ag Rentals), Steketee (IC and Finger Weeders - Sutton Ag) and Vision Robotics

Organizers

- Steve Fennimore, Extension Vegetable Weed Control Specialist, UC Davis
- Richard Smith, Vegetable Crop and Weed Science Farm Advisor, Monterey County

2.0 Continuing Education Credits have been requested
No registration fee and refreshments will be served.
For more information call Richard at 831-759-7357.