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TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 7 - THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2012 AT SKI HI PARK

## 30<sup>th</sup> Annual Southern Rocky Mountain Agriculture Conference and Trade Fair

~> Brochures are being printed and mailed this week!

- To obtain a conference registration form, contact [maxine.lujan@colostate.edu](mailto:maxine.lujan@colostate.edu) or 719-852-7381. The one-day conference registration fee is \$25; full conference, \$50.
- To obtain an exhibitor registration and waiver for the trade show, go to [www.monte-vista.org/](http://www.monte-vista.org/).

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2012

### Potato Day

All day          Potato research presentations

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2012

### Small Grain & Forage Day

Morning          Small grain and forage-related presentations

12:30 pm          ***Lunch and trade fair***

1:30 pm          ***Stand up comedian Jeff Wozer***

2:30 pm          ***Refreshment break and trade fair***

2:50 pm          ***Subdistricts and snowpack*** Rio Grande Water Conservation District Subdistrict #1  
Board of Managers and staff

3:40 pm          ***Holistic potato management*** Brendon Rockey, Rockey Farms (Colorado Association  
of Conservation District's 2011 Conservationist of the Year)

4:25 pm          ***Social Hour***

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2012

## Farm Energy/Water/Soil Health Day

- 7:00 am ***Breakfast***
- 8:00 am ***Opening comments*** Rob Davidson, CSU Extension Seed Potato Specialist and Manager, CSU San Luis Valley Research Center
- 8:10 am ***Changes and challenges to electric grid reliability*** Loren Howard, CEO, San Luis Valley Rural Electrical Cooperative
- 8:40 am ***Integrating energy efficiency, water conservation & soil health into your farm operations: local, state and federal developments*** Jeanna Paluzzi, Community Energy Coordinator, CSU Extension SLV Area Office
- 9:20 am ***Farm energy audits in the field*** Mike Kostrzewa, P.E., Senior Research Associate & Assistant Director, Industrial Assessment Center, CSU
- 10:00 am ***Refreshment break and trade fair***
- 10:20 am ***Potato storage and greenhouse energy efficiency*** Jeanna Paluzzi, Community Energy Coordinator, CSU Extension SLV Area Office
- 11:00 am **SHRIVER/WRIGHT MEMORIAL WATER STEWARDSHIP SESSION**  
***Energy & water conservation through irrigation system evaluation & water management, part 1*** A tag-team workshop provided by Dr. Perry Cabot, Assistant Professor/Water Resources Specialist, Colorado Water Institute/CSU Extension Pueblo and Jason Lorenz, Irrigation Engineer, Agro Engineering, San Luis Valley
- 12 Noon ***Lunch and trade fair***
- 1:15 pm ***Audience participation: Vote on your preferred topic for a Spring renewable energy workshop*** Jeanna Paluzzi, Community Energy Coordinator, CSU Extension SLV Area Office
- 1:30 pm **SHRIVER/WRIGHT MEMORIAL WATER STEWARDSHIP SESSION**  
***Energy & water conservation through irrigation system evaluation & water management, part 2*** A tag-team workshop provided by Dr. Perry Cabot, Assistant Professor/Water Resources Specialist, Colorado Water Institute/CSU Extension Pueblo and Jason Lorenz, Irrigation Engineer, Agro Engineering, San Luis Valley
- 2:15 pm ***Refreshment break and trade fair***
- 2:30 pm ***Soil health basics*** Ray Archuleta, Conservation Agronomist, NRCS National Soil Health and Sustainability Team, North Carolina
- 4:30 pm ***Adjourn*** Have a great year!