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Pacific Flyway Birds are Counting on California to Honor Voters and Build Sites Reservoir

By Jeff McCreary, Director of Operations for Ducks Unlimited's Western Region



Stone Corral Creek in Sites, CA. This whole valley would be filled with water. Where photo was taken would be over 200 feet underwater. Photo by Julie A. Hotz.

Lake Oroville and Shasta Lake are filled to the brim, and the rivers of the Central Valley are roaring. Thanks to an exceptionally wet winter, for the first time in years, farms and cities are receiving their full water supply because there's more than enough to meet the needs of people and the environment.

It's also the type of bountiful year that would fill Sites Reservoir, which would hold a critical backup supply of water for dry years. Sites would help sustain migratory bird habitats and add needed flexibility to California's overtaxed water-delivery system on which wildlife-friendly farming depends.

Unfortunately, the state's eighth-largest reservoir remains a dream unfulfilled, nearly a decade after voters approved the \$7.1 billion Proposition 1 water bond that allocated hundreds of millions of dollars toward building Sites.

It's time for the reservoir to become a reality.

Gov. Gavin Newsom deserves recognition for wanting to speed up environmentally friendly infrastructure projects, such as Sites. The California Legislature also has shown leadership by introducing bills that could make Sites happen soon. Now regulators at the State Water Resources Control Board need to quickly approve the Sites

Project Authority's application to begin using water from the Sacramento River. Conservation organizations like Ducks Unlimited support Sites Reservoir because of the benefits it would provide to the millions of migratory birds that stop in the Central Valley on their journey along the Pacific Flyway. This water also could be spread on the landscape in the winter to provide food and a safe haven for young salmon.

Last fall was a prime example of why Sites is so needed. Due to drought, California's few remaining Central Valley wetlands suffered from limited water, depriving birds of important habitat when they needed it most. These lands, many of them public, also provide important year-round habitat for imperiled species such as the tri-colored blackbird and the giant garter snake.

At the same time, only about half of the 500,000 acres of rice that is normally planted in the Sacramento Valley received water last year. Rice fields enrich the biodiversity of the region by providing habitat for more than 225 different species, and they are extremely important for the Pacific Flyway's waterfowl.

When flooded for the winter, rice fields serve as surrogate floodplain habitat, and they provide an important food

source for ducks, geese and swans. It's not an exaggeration to say that California's Sacramento Valley rice farms are one of the main reasons why the West's waterfowl populations buck a troubling trend. Across the continent, many types of birds have been on the decline.

But not waterfowl. We have rice and wetlands to thank for that in California. Yes, this exceptionally wet winter saved our birds, but we can't count on winters like that every year.

This is where Sites Reservoir comes in. Water would only be pumped from the Sacramento River into the Colusa County reservoir when flows are high, as they are this year, and at times when state regulators deem there is minimal risk to fish populations. The water stored in the reservoir could then be saved for environmental uses when it's needed most. This would ease the pressure on other water sources in times of drought.

Now is the time to get the job done and fulfill the voters' wishes. California needs to break ground on Sites Reservoir.

The birds of our Pacific Flyway are counting on us. 🌱

2023 Yuba-Sutter Fair

By Brynn Lauppe, Yuba-Sutter Farm Bureau Intern

Every year, the Yuba-Sutter Farm Bureau takes part in the Yuba-Sutter Fair by leading the Ag Ventures building, in Palmer Hall, during the week-long event. For the past 7 years, Yuba-Sutter Farm Bureau has been using the Yuba-Sutter Fair as a way to help engage with youth in our community and educate them on the importance of the agriculture that surrounds our home. We do this by bringing in different groups and organizations around the Yuba Sutter counties to talk to the people, kids, and families that wander through Palmer Hall during their time at the fair.

This year, there was a California rice booth that had information talking about their new salmon conservation project happening in rice fields across the Sacramento Valley as well as a great display about aviation in agriculture. The Yuba-Sutter Cattlewomen's Association had also set up a booth with many informational flyers on the cattle industry. UCCE had four displays in Palmer Hall, each one about a different program, which were Farm Advisors, Master Gardeners, and CalFresh. 4H, another UCCE program, promoted their embryology project by hatching a wide range of different poultry throughout the week. Kids enjoyed the pumpkin planting table where they got to plant pumpkin seeds to take home. It was a great opportunity to advertise Yuba-Sutter Farm Bureau's Pumpkin Festival event



Directors and Staff enjoying a day at the Yuba-Sutter Fair.

happening this upcoming October 21st with Sutter Orchard Supply. There were also many other activities and crafts set up throughout Palmer Hall, like the education tree, farm board, and coloring table for kids to enjoy. With this opportunity, together with Yuba-Sutter Fair, the Yuba-Sutter Farm Bureau hopes to make learning about the agriculture around us a fun and interactive experience for the youth and to share just a small portion of how important agriculture is in our community.

4H and FFA give young individuals hands-on experience of the commitment and hard work it takes to foster an agricultural product and the Yuba-Sutter Fair allows them to showcase their project. On Saturday of the fair, the Junior Livestock Auction is the place where exhibitors get to see their hard work pay off. People in the community get to come out to the auction and directly support all

that these kids have put into their projects. This year's Junior Livestock Auction set some record numbers with the sale successfully generating a gross profit of \$1,429,448.62 and in comparison to 2022 is over a \$100,000 increase. The average price per pound of all large market animals was similarly at record sale prices. Beef sold for an average of \$8.00 per pound, swine at \$9.42 per pound, and sheep and goats went for an average of \$15.34 and \$15.36 per pound, respectively.

The Junior Livestock Auction is organized by the Heritage Foundation, which is a non-profit organization started in 2020 through the Yuba-Sutter Fair. When sitting down with Joe Lemenager, President of the Heritage Foundation and Yuba-Sutter Farm Bureau Director. He spoke about how much support the Yuba-Sutter community pours into our youth and how that can be seen at the livestock auction. This year alone there were significantly fewer resales at the auction and a larger number of overall exhibitors, which begins to show the immense support from the community. A resale means that the buyer does not want to take the meat home, but rather have it resold by the fair at market price to a sponsoring retailer. Therefore, as Joe said, this low number of resales means that "the animals that these people are buying, they're buying to put in their own freezer." This for one



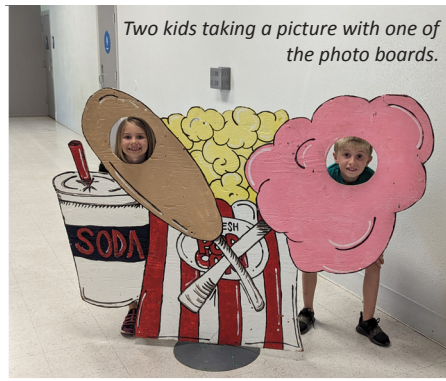
4H's embryology project where different poultry was being hatched.



Aviation in agriculture booth with video provided by Anderson's Flying Service.

speaks to the level of commitment and quality that an exhibitor brings to the sale, but also the buyer sees and appreciates the kind of hard work and dedication an exhibitor is putting in to produce a quality market animal. Joe mentioned that this is, "sometimes not always the case at the county fair level" and was especially pleased with the community involvement with our youth at the Yuba-Sutter Fair.

Every year at the Yuba-Sutter Fair, we are reminded of the importance of exposing and teaching young individuals in the area the many aspects that make up the agricultural industry with the hopes they will begin to understand the need for a strong agricultural community. This opportunity encourages how important community engagement is to events for our youth that cultivate future leaders and stewards of agriculture. 🌱



Two kids taking a picture with one of the photo boards.



CalFresh display with a fun hat making activity for kids.



Sadie Johnson posing in front of the fall barn display.



California Rice promoting their new salmon conservation project.



Master Gardeners booth in the Ag Ventures building.



Yuba-Sutter Cattlewomen's Association informational display in Palmer Hall.



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Summer Internships at Yuba-Yutter Farm Bureau

By Jessica Malone, Yuba-Sutter Farm Bureau Program Coordinator

Yuba-Sutter Farm Bureau has welcomed two incredible students to join the team. Both started just in time for fair and did an outstanding job! We look forward to their careers in agriculture.



Brynn Lauppe – California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo – Agricultural Business Major

Brynn is from Nicolaus, CA and currently attends Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo where she is studying agricultural business. She is the third generation in her family to major in ag business at Cal Poly. Brynn hopes that her younger brother decides

to follow in the family footsteps to go be with her in San Luis Obispo this next year. Outside of school, Brynn is involved in many opportunities around campus including Cal Poly's Ag Business Management Club, Crops Club, Western Bonanza, and the Gamma Phi Beta Sorority.

From this internship, Brynn hopes to learn all that she can about Yuba-Sutter Farm Bureau and to keep expanding her knowledge on the agriculture industry and community around us. She is looking forward to the many opportunities and experiences that Yuba-Sutter Farm Bureau can offer and is grateful that she is able to be with us this summer.



Ciera Mannan – Feather River College - Equine Science and Ranch Management

Ciera is from Wheatland and in May, she graduated from Feather River with a bachelor's degree in Equine Science and Ranch Management. Ciera was on the rodeo team at FRC and competed in barrel racing.

In her free time, she rides her horses, runs barrels, goes four-wheeling, and camps with her friends and family.

Ciera states "an internship with YSFB is a great opportunity to immerse myself in the agricultural community around me. During my time with YSFB, I hope to further expand my knowledge in agriculture and continue spreading the knowledge with people in our community. After my internship, I hope to get a job as a Livestock Brand Inspector. I hope to encourage more people to learn about agriculture and get involved with it."

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Where Is He Now: 2022 Dave Burroughs Scholarship Recipient - Brandon Knox

By Madison Escheman, Yuba-Sutter Farm Bureau Intern

In May of 2022, Brandon Knox graduated from Sutter Union High School. He was awarded a Yuba-Sutter Farm Bureau Scholarship in the name of Dave Burroughs. Each year, the Yuba-Sutter Farm Bureau is fortunate enough to award scholarships to graduating high school seniors throughout surrounding Sutter and Yuba County school districts. Any scholarship, no matter the size, impacts college students greatly and Brandon Knox is a prime example of that.

Brandon recently completed his freshman year of college at Montana State University in Billings Montana. I was able to catch up with him on the good, the bad, and the ugly of college and how receiving a scholarship has impacted his college experience thus far.

We all know that as a college student you often change your mind 100 times on what your major is, what organizations you want to get involved in, how you're going to budget (aka saving just enough to buy yourself a bulk pack of cup of noodles and spending the rest of your money aimlessly), and trying to decide whether you should stay in and study or go out with your friends. All these things can be struggles believe it or not, but Brandon says the best



advice he could give someone going into college is "to get involved". This allows you to find people that are going to help you have the best times of your life and go through some of the hardest parts of college. He also stated "Don't be afraid to ask questions or ask for help. Put yourself in uncomfortable situations that will help you grow". Brandon is involved in numerous clubs and organizations within the MSU and Bozeman community such as the Crop Science Club, the Swing Dancing Club, Collegiate FFA, and Bozeman's YF&R organization.

introduced to a few other hobbies such as skiing, and fly fishing."

When he first set out on his college journey, Brandon's major was Ag Business, but he soon changed his major to Crop Sciences with a minor in Ag Business. He changed his major because he believes having a knowledge of Ag Business is important, but also having a major in Crop Sciences will allow him to have a career where he can work hands-on with farmers as well.

Brandon has come back home for the summer but with his work ethic, he won't be taking a break. He has recently

accepted a job working for the Sutter Yuba Mosquito & Vector Control District and plans to spend his free time enjoying the company of his family and loved ones until he makes his way back to Bozeman in the Fall.



The Dave Burroughs Scholarship gave Brandon the opportunity to pay for half of his college tuition, and for that he is extremely grateful. I have found that it is so important to support our local youth in any way possible and the Yuba-Sutter Farm Bureau's Fund for Ag Education was created just for that purpose. We are so happy that Brandon has been able to experience the important lessons college can teach you, make friendships that will last a lifetime, and experience some of the best years of his life and we wish him the best of luck wherever life takes him!

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Going into college, I asked Brandon if it had been everything he imagined to be and he said that he "has had a lot of fun but one thing he didn't expect was how big of a deal swing dancing is in Montana", which soon became another hobby of his. Brandon also said that by living in Bozeman, he "has been

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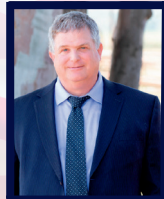
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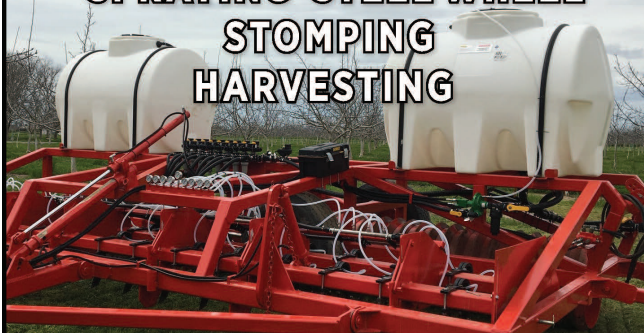
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By Whitney Brim-DeForest, UCCE Sutter-Yuba, County Director and Rice and Wild Life Advisor

If you have large populations of weeds that survive until the end of the season, please get them tested, to ensure that you are using the most effective herbicides for your particular weed populations.

The UCCE Rice Weeds Program tests grower submitted seed samples of potentially herbicide-resistant watergrass species, sprangletop, smallflower umbrella sedge and bulrush. However, we encourage you to submit ANY species that you suspect to be resistant. We keep individual grower information confidential, and any reporting of results will not identify individual growers.

Please fill out the form (under the "Weeds" section at <https://agronomy-rice.ucdavis.edu/>) for each weed seed sample (each field and/or species). The service is free for all rice growers and PCAs/CCAs.

The following tips will ensure that you receive the best possible results:

- The best timing of collection is when the seed easily falls off the seed head by gentle agitation in a paper bag.
Collecting seeds that don't easily fall off will make it difficult to germinate the seeds, resulting in poor or no results.
 - For watergrass species, collection timing should be close to rice harvest (seeds should be brownish in color)
 - For sprangletop, timing will be earlier, in August or September (seeds will appear greenish)
 - For the sedges, timing may be as early as July, all the way through early September
 - Smallflower umbrella sedge seed is yellow, with brown hulls (looks like dust)
 - Bulrush (roughseed) seeds are black and have small hairs
- Seed should be collected from areas that you know have been sprayed with the suspected herbicide.
- Collect seeds from multiple plants, and the amount should be at least a few handfuls of seed, to ensure sufficient quantity for testing.



For collection, gently shake seed head into a paper bag.
Photo by Luis Espino.

- Please do not collect seed from around field margins.
 - **Allow seed to dry in the paper bag to prevent molding.**
- Bring the sample and form to your local UCCE Farm Advisor (Whitney Brim-DeForest) or send or drop off samples at the Rice Experiment Station (RES) in Biggs. If you need assistance in collection, please contact your Farm Advisor. Results should be emailed to you in March of 2024. 🌾

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Growing Together Summer 2023

By Lucas Schmidt, Grow West Vice President +
Chief Operating Officer at Growwest.com



We Take Planning and Budgeting Seriously; Here's Why

Planning and budgeting are year-round processes for us at Grow West. It's never far from the top of my mind.

As an ag service provider, our planning means a lot more than crop protection products and fertilizer. It extends to every product and service we offer our customers, as well as what every Grow West employee needs to best do his or her job. In reality, it's about planning, executing and being agile enough to adjust when even the best-laid plans need to change. It's all unified by a common goal: Taking the best care of our customers that we can.

Relationships and knowing customer goals and expectations are huge

That's why we put so much work into identifying then meeting and, whenever possible, exceeding customer expectations. The best way to do that is through strong communication. Only through strong relationships with customers can we know where we best fit into their businesses, how we can help them most, and what we need to do to align with their goals. That process starts with communication.

Whether it's something short-term like locking in fertilizer deliveries or a long-term goal like building a large warehouse to improve crop protection product storage, every step in our planning is rooted in what we need to do to be the best ag service provider we can be. Sometimes plans have to change; for example, we may have to add equipment, people or processes to maintain our unique level of service to growers. That's why we have to stay agile with how we build and carry out our plans.

Planning and budgeting are team efforts

The Grow West planning and budgeting processes start and end with our customers' goals. When we sit down and go over customer budgets, historical production and projected needs, we can fine-tune plans and budgets together so every decision is agronomically and financially sound, even if it means having to resort to a Plan B. Sometimes an agronomic solution doesn't fit a customer's budget. But by reviewing needs and evaluating our service costs, we can always arrive at a solution together.

As you plan and budget to make sure you get the most from the crops you raise, you can count on Grow West to be doing the same. We're right there with you. When you're ready to sit down and have that conversation, we'll be ready. In the pages that follow, you'll see more about some of the specific ways we at Grow West approach planning and budgeting with customers, employees and other ag stakeholders. 🌱



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September 20th	Grow West
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- 4 Set the jar aside to rest, undisturbed, overnight.

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30% clay: 40% silt: 30% sand



50% clay: 25% silt: 25% sand

Yuba-Sutter YF&R Update

By Martina Damboriena

June was a busy month for YF&R members but we still found time to meet at the local Yuba Sutter fair. We talked business and about some of our exciting upcoming events and then we headed over to the mud bog events for a night full of fun and networking.

If you or anyone you know is passionate about the agriculture industry or eager to learn more about it please reach out to our organization we'd love for you to join. 🌱



2024 CROP TALK CALENDAR EDITION PHOTO CONTEST

What are we looking for?

In December, the Yuba-Sutter Farm Bureau formats our Crop Talk magazine into a beautiful calendar. Each month is highlighted by a photo taken within Yuba and Sutter counties which depicts the following:

- Agricultural Landscape
- Agricultural Heritage
- Farmers and Ranchers
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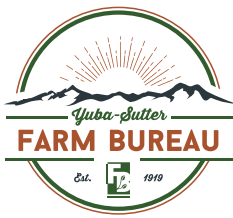
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