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Ventura County Supporters present:
VENTURA COUNTY'S CITRUS PSYLLID THREAT

Wednesday, June 16, 2010
Thousand Oaks Library, 1401 E. Janss Road
7:00 P.M.- 8:30 P.M.

A tiny insect could wipe out California's citrus industry — and with it, every lemon, lime, orange, grapefruit and mandarin tree in every urban and suburban yard.

This tiny insect, known as the **Asian citrus psyllid**, carries a deadly bacterial disease that is harmless to humans but inevitably fatal to all varieties of citrus. There is no treatment or cure. The disease has already destroyed millions of trees in citrus-producing regions around the world, including Florida.

The pest has been found in San Diego, Imperial, Orange and Los Angeles counties, and is expected to reach Ventura County this year. The disease is not far behind — infected trees have been found in western Mexico, and the disease is moving steadily closer to California.

We are pleased to have John Krist, the Chief Executive Officer of the Farm Bureau of Ventura County join us to discuss this serious threat and what can be done about it. Since many residents in Ventura County have citrus trees on their property we encourage as many people as possible to attend so that they can be on the lookout with their own trees and also spread the word to their neighbors and friends/

Mr. Krist will also discuss the status of agriculture in Ventura County. A question and answer period will follow his presentation. The program is free and open to the public.

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