

Program Team: _____ **California Communities and Food Systems** _____

Why such reports. We need **simple** ways to collect quick overviews of key things happening in each of the PTs. We can then better **communicate** and **advocate** for the wonderful breadth of activity that is happening across UC ANR. As some other PT leaders indicated, when they get money from industry or others to meet, a simple report on the meeting is the norm.

The report would be **simple** and **post-event**. Suggestions for a better report structure most welcome.

Meeting objectives

1. Welcome new academics into the PT and provide networking opportunities.
2. Discussion of PT role in terms of newly-outlined ANR structure and in terms of working towards extension in service of the public good (for latter we invited guest speaker Ildi Carlisle-Cummins, who gave a keynote on the history of UCCE in relationship to technology development in ag).
3. Research and extension updates/sharing among PT members.

Primary meeting outcomes

1. Excellent networking – new connections, potential new collaborations among 19 participants (18 ANR, 1 non-ANR). Two participants had been hired within past year.
2. Excellent discussion and reflection on history of UCCE and our current role in CA.
3. Four research updates from participants that generated great interest (Van Soelen Kim, Gupta, Sowerwine, Gillman),

Next steps

1. Plan to engage more external collaborators in future PT meetings, including California Institute for Rural Studies.
2. Agreement that next meeting should be a collaborative/multi-PT meeting around “big themes” related to how and for whom we conduct our extension work.
3. Better engagement with affiliated workgroups and outreach to have related workgroups affiliate with our PT.

How the PT activities fit with the larger SI picture (See table for reference).

We see our PT as most consistent with two SIs: Sustainable Food Systems and Healthy Families and Communities. We view our role as consistent with ANR’s view of PTs: “Network, Share and Learn.”

We see the PT is consistent with these Focal areas

Promoting healthy behaviors for childhood obesity prevention

Promoting positive youth development

Community Development (within the context of food systems)

SFS

Sustainable production (and equitable production)

Enhanced access (and food security)

And fits with these Grand Challenges

Sustainable Production: Labor equity and scarcity; Dealing with regulatory requirements; food waste;

Enhanced Food Access: Food deserts and cost

SI	Focal Areas		Grand Challenges
EIPD			
<input type="checkbox"/>	Keeping invasive pests and pathogens out of California	<input type="checkbox"/>	Emerging pests (e.g., Citrus Greening)
<input type="checkbox"/>	New problems with existing pests and diseases	<input type="checkbox"/>	The public understanding the role of science in safe and effective pest management (e.g., urban and household pesticide use relative to use on other systems)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Integrated management	<input type="checkbox"/>	Pursuing new technologies for existing pests (e.g., breeding for powdery mildew)
HFC			
<input type="checkbox"/>	Promoting healthy behaviors for childhood obesity prevention	<input type="checkbox"/>	Childhood obesity
<input type="checkbox"/>	Encouraging and enhancing youth science literacy	<input type="checkbox"/>	Safe drinking Water - Outdated infrastructure and unreliable water supply
<input type="checkbox"/>	Promoting positive youth development	<input type="checkbox"/>	K-12 Education - Low, unstable funding and poor student performance
<input type="checkbox"/>	Community Development	<input type="checkbox"/>	Public safety
SFS			
<input type="checkbox"/>	Sustainable production	<input type="checkbox"/>	Sustainable Production: Labor scarcity; Dealing with regulatory requirements; Water - quantity and quality; Farm Prices; Climate change; Emerging pests
<input type="checkbox"/>	Safe processing	<input type="checkbox"/>	Safe Food Processing: Food safety and preservation
<input type="checkbox"/>	Enhanced access	<input type="checkbox"/>	Enhanced Food Access: Food deserts and cost; Changing food preferences; Food access and security for aging seniors
SNE			
<input type="checkbox"/>	Healthy rangelands, forests and working landscapes	<input type="checkbox"/>	Fire
<input type="checkbox"/>	Fighting Fire – Resilient forests and fire-safe urban areas	<input type="checkbox"/>	Land use policy
<input type="checkbox"/>	Protecting where we live. Healthy landscapes and urban forests	<input type="checkbox"/>	Protecting water supplies - quality and quantity
<input type="checkbox"/>	Enhancing our water supply	<input type="checkbox"/>	Climate change

Water			
<input type="checkbox"/>	Safe & secure drinking water	<input type="checkbox"/>	Drought preparedness
<input type="checkbox"/>	Safe & secure surface water	<input type="checkbox"/>	Sustainable groundwater management
<input type="checkbox"/>	Safe & sustainable groundwater	<input type="checkbox"/>	Options for increasing use of low quality water in agricultural and urban environments
<input type="checkbox"/>	Holistic water management	<input type="checkbox"/>	Lessen impacts from nitrogen use in agricultural and urban environments
<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	Water management strategies in response to climate change and their impacts on water supply, water quality and cropping patterns