

Save the Date!
2019 Yuma/Winterhaven H-2A Stakeholder Meeting

January 8, 2019

8 am – 2 pm

Quechan Casino - 525 Algodones Road, Winterhaven, CA 92283

SPONSORING ORGANIZATIONS



Round Table topics:

- Expanding the use of H-2A beyond field harvest work (Secondary Ag)
- H-2A Driver Transportation Issues
- Avoiding costly mistakes when dealing with referrals from the SWA (EDD/DES) on your job order
- Rejections of your H-2A job order (790) by the SWA (EDD/DES) – issues and best practices
- Housing issues and concerns
- And other important issues!

Experts from Government and Industry:

- California Highway Patrol
- Department of Labor – Wage and Hour Division
- State of Arizona Department of Economic Security- Employment Services (DES)
- State of California Employment Development Department (EDD)
- State of California Labor Commissioner
- Malitzlaw Inc.
- The Saqui Law Group
- Western Growers

Cost to attend: \$15 per person - to register, please visit <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2019-yumawinterhaven-h-2a-stakeholder-meeting-tickets-52852345789>

**For sponsorship information, contact Julia Belliard at APMA: tel.: 831.422.8023
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2019 Yuma/Winterhaven H-2A Stakeholder Meeting Agenda

7:30 - 8:00 am — REGISTRATION AND CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST

8:00 - 8:10 am — WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Julia Belliard — Executive Director, APMA

Kimberly A. Naffziger — Vice President and Agricultural Specialist, Zenith Insurance

8:10 - 8:45 am — USING H-2A FOR SECONDARY AG JOBS

Ruben Lugo — Western Region AG Enforcement Coordinator – USDOL, Wage and Hour Division

Jeanne Malitz — Principal, Malitz Law, Inc.

Jason Resnick — V.P. and General Counsel, Western Growers

Steve Scaroni — Principal, Scaroni Family of Companies

8:45 - 9:30 am — SWA JOB REFERRALS AND H-2A EMPLOYER OBLIGATIONS AND THE ROLE OF THE SWA OUTREACH WORKER

Jeanne Malitz — Principal, Malitz Law, Inc. (Moderator)

Cornelio Gomez — Ag Group Manager, CA EDD

Carlos Rodriguez — CA Monitor Advocate, CA EDD

Tim Tucker — Deputy Workforce Administrator, AZ DES

Miguel Ramos — AZ Monitor Advocate, AZ DES

9:30 - 10:15 am — H-2A JOB ORDERS (790) DEFICIENCIES AND BEST PRACTICES

Jason Resnick — V.P. and General Counsel, Western Growers (Moderator)

Francisco Macias — Foreign Labor Analyst, CA EDD

Kam Weaver — Foreign Labor Certification Coordinator, AZ DES

10:15 - 10:30 pm — BREAK

10:30 - 11:15 am — TRANSPORTATION / DRIVER ISSUES

Kimberly A. Naffziger — Vice President and Agricultural Specialist, Zenith Insurance (Moderator)

Ruben Lugo — Western Region AG Enforcement Coordinator – USDOL, Wage and Hour Division

Officer Joe Miller — California Highway Patrol

Ron Hughes — Cal Vans, Director

CA DMV — Invited

11:15 am - 12:00 pm — HOUSING UPDATES

Carmen Ponce — Vice President and General Counsel Labor, T&A (Moderator)

Cesar Ponce — Administrator, State of CA Housing and Community Development

Francisco Macias — Foreign Labor Analyst, CA EDD

Alyssa Linville — Principal Planner, City of Yuma

Noon - 12:30 pm — LUNCH

12:30 - 1:00 pm — STATE OF CALIFORNIA LABOR COMPLIANCE TRENDS IN THE DESERT AREA

Mabel Martinez — Deputy Labor Commissioner, DLSE

1:00 - 2:00 pm — H-2A COMPLIANCE ISSUES AND HOT TOPICS IN CA / AZ AND GENERAL Q & A

Ruben Lugo — Western Region AG Enforcement Coordinator – USDOL, Wage and Hour Division

Michael Saqui — Principal, Saqui Law Group

H-2A experts in attendance may also be available to answer specific questions.