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## Rare Fruit Growers Conference Coming to Cal Poly in September -- California Secretary of Agriculture to Deliver Keynote Address

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SAN LUIS OBISPO -- California Secretary of Agriculture A.G. Kawamura will speak at the annual conference of the California Rare Fruit Growers Association September 8 and 9 at Cal Poly.

The annual conference and "Festival of Fruit" are expected to draw 400 people to campus. The event is sponsored by the Central Coast chapter of the California Rare Fruit Growers Association and co-hosted by the Cal Poly College of Agriculture.

The opening session of the conference and Kawamura's speech will be free and open to the general public.

The CRFG includes commercial growers, family farmers, and hobby orchardists; chapters exist throughout the West in Nevada, Arizona and Texas, in addition to California, explained Cal Poly Agricultural Education and Communications Professor Joe Sabol, San Luis Obispo-area CRFG coordinator.

The conference will feature workshops, grafting demonstrations, and fruit tastings. Registration for workshops is open to the general public. For details and registration, contact Sabol at [jsabol@calpoly.edu](mailto:jsabol@calpoly.edu).

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