

## 2019 PSSAC Annual Meeting & Field Tour May 30-31, 2019

Including Mare Island and the Napa Valley

The **PROFESSIONAL SOIL SCIENTISTS ASSOCIATION OF CALIFORNIA** is pleased to announce that they are now accepting registrations for the May 30-31, 2019 Annual Meeting and Field Tour. This year's meeting will focus on the soils and framework of Mare Island and the Napa Valley. The meeting will be based out of the DoubleTree Hotel & Spa Napa Valley-American Canyon, located at 3600 Broadway, American Canyon, California.

The meeting will start off on Thursday afternoon, May 30th with a series of talks, including,

- Soils and History of Mare Island (Bill Reed)
- Archeology of the Napa Valley (Darren Andolina)
- Stream Channel Stability Assessment (Jeff Peters)
- Overview of Napa County RCD's Programs and Services (Lucas Patzek, Ph.D.), and
- Napa County RCD's Technical Assistance with Soil Health, Erosion Control, and Irrigation Management (Miguel Garcia, Ph.D.)

PSSAC's Annual Banquet will be held Thursday evening in the DoubleTree Vintners A Ballroom.

On Friday, May 31st, there will be a Field Tour that will include stops at the Mare Island covered and contained dump (Bruce Christensen) and driving loop of the island; drained and undrained tidal marsh sites with a discussion of site history and soil subsidence (Joel Butterworth, Julia Grim, and David Kelley); a valley floor vineyard with a discussion by the viticulturist/soil scientist (Patrick Riggs); an upland vineyard in the Mt. Veeder area with a discussion of techniques to assess soil and site vineyard suitability (Bryan Rahn); and a review of an area of slope instability (Julia Grim and Roy Shlemon, Ph.D.).

We hope you will join us for this exciting and interesting meeting covering the lovely Napa Valley area!

Joel Butterworth, David Kelley, Bryan Rahn, Bill Reed & Mary Reed, Organizing Committee



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## AGENDA OVERVIEW

**Thursday Morning:** (10:30 am -12:00 pm) The PSSAC Board of Directors will hold their annual meeting. All are welcome to attend this meeting which will be held in Vintners B Ballroom at the DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel & Spa located at 3600 Broadway, American Canyon, California.

**Thursday Afternoon:** (1:00—5:00 pm) Continuing in Vintners B Ballroom at the DoubleTree, we will enjoy a series of lectures focusing on a range of topics including: Soils and History of Mare Island, Archeology of the Napa Valley, Stream Channel Stability, and Napa County RCD's programs including farm technical assistance and planning services. Please see the meeting's webpage for a complete list of speakers and their affiliations.

**Thursday Evening:** (6:00—8:00 pm) PSSAC's Annual Banquet will be held at the DoubleTree in the Vintners A Ballroom. A brief PSSAC Annual Business meeting will be conducted.

**Friday Morning and Afternoon:** (7:45—5:00) Meet at the DoubleTree Front Entrance. Field tour stops will include:

Mare Island contained and covered dump area; drained and undrained tidal marsh sites with a discussion of site history and soil subsidence; a valley floor vineyard with a discussion by the vineyard soil scientist/manager; an upland vineyard in the Mt. Veeder area with a discussion of techniques to assess soil and site vineyard suitability, and a review of an area of slope instability. Box lunches, waters, and snacks will be provided.

A **Meeting and Field Guide Book** will be included in the registration fee.





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Google Maps: Mare Island

## MORE ABOUT THE MEETING!

**Lodging:** Our meeting hotel, the DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel & Spa (3600 Broadway, American Canyon) has offered us a limited time discounted room rate of \$169/night, plus tax. *This rate is ONLY guaranteed through 4/30/19 for the first 20 rooms reserved*. Our special rate code is "**PSS**". Call 707-674-2100 to reserve your room, or visit their website (www.napavalleyamericancanyon.doubletree.com) for additional information or to make your reservation online using our code. Participants are also welcome to stay at other nearby hotels.

**Included in the \$265 Registration Fee:** Thursday afternoon's lecture session, snack break and coffee bar, Thursday evening banquet, and Friday's Field Tour via bus (with a bathroom and wi-fi), including a box lunch, waters, and snacks. A spiral-bound Field Tour Guide is also included. An early registration discount is available through 5/10/19.

Mailing Address: Mail your registration, check made payable to "PSSAC" to:

PSSAC 2019 Meeting P.O. Box 5972 Vacaville, CA 95696

Online Registration is available using PayPal at <a href="http://www.pssac.org/meetings/2019-annual-meeting">http://www.pssac.org/meetings/2019-annual-meeting</a>

**University Student Scholarships are Available to Attend this Meeting!** PSSAC will offer up to 6 scholarships to enrolled University Students. The scholarship includes free registration to the meeting, and one night's (in a shared, double room — apply with a friend!) lodging at the DoubleTree. See the website (pssac.org) for qualification and application information. Please pass the word along to university students about this great opportunity!

Meeting Webpage: http://pssac.org/meetings/2019-annual-meeting

2019 PSSAC ANNUAL MEETING REGISTRATION FORM		
Yes, I want to attend the May 30-31, 2019 PSSAC	CAnnual Meeting, and I am registering	
on or before May 10, please give me the discounted early registration fee		\$ 250.00
Yes, I want to attend the May 30-31, 2019 PSSAC	Annual Meeting, and I am registering	
after May 10, I will pay the full registration fee		\$ 265.00
I am a PSSAC member with dues in good standing, please give me my "member's discount"		- \$10.00
I would like to bring a guest to the Annual Banquet at the DoubleTree		\$ 50.00
My Guest's Name:		
In addition to my registration fee, I would also lik	ke to contribute to support the scholarship fund	
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Company	Cell Phone	
Address	Email	
C/S/Z	Banquet Entrée Preference: Salmo	on Chicken
I have the following dietary requests:	Box Lunch Preference: Ham	Turkey Veggie



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