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**CALIFORNIA AGRICULTURAL IRRIGATION ASSOCIATION
UPDATES**

Bakersfield, California (November 4, 2020)—In lieu of the annual [California Agricultural Irrigation Association](#) (CAIA) fall meeting typically held in Pismo Beach each year, the CAIA hosted a virtual event on October 14, 2020 for its members and guests. Thank you to IDC LLC, Rubicon Water, and Wildeye USA whose support made this event possible.

During the proceedings, a legislative update on water issues facing the western US, as well as the current regulatory environment in Washington, DC, was presented by Dennis Albiani and Anthony Molina of California Advocates, John Farner of the Irrigation Association, and Dan Keppen of the Family Farm Alliance. Even during this difficult period, the CAIA continues its work to make certain that the important issues affecting its members are understood by our elected officials.

Dr. Stuart Styles, Director of Cal Poly's Irrigation Training and Research Center, gave a technical presentation entitled, "The Effect of Upstream Chemical Injection on Magnetic Flow Meters" which was informative and well received.

In an effort to develop the next generation of leaders in the irrigation industry, CAIA member companies Agri-Valley Irrigation, Buckner Superior, Fresno Valves & Castings, Irrigation Design and Construction LLC, RDO Water, and Western Ag & Turf provided scholarships to Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo and Fresno State students studying agricultural engineering, agricultural systems management or plant science.

CAIA's next meeting will again be held virtually and will be held in conjunction with the online 2021 World Ag Expo which takes place February 9 – 11. Information regarding the meeting will be posted on the [CAIA website](#) so continue to check the website for updates. CAIA members, irrigation industry representatives and other interested parties are all encouraged to attend.

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About California Irrigation Association

CAIA is a non-profit network of irrigation professionals throughout California whose goal is to promote common ideals, standards, and business practices to achieve efficiency of design and economic use of irrigation systems for agricultural applications. For more information, visit <http://calagirrigation.com/> or contact the CAIA at 916.441.0310.

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