## Free Agricultural & Landscape Irrigation Efficiency Workshop

Dear Customer:

Camrosa is offering a **Free Agricultural & Landscape Irrigation Efficiency Workshop** oriented towards customers who have orchards and large landscapes. The workshop will be held at the Camrosa Office on Saturday, October 13, 2012 from 9am – 1pm.

Avocados are a water-loving, high value crop requiring 50 inches of rainfall throughout the year. Growing avocados in Southern California, where we get an average of 14 inches of rain a year, requires proper orchard management to provide vital growing conditions for your orchard's growth and crop productivity.

Orchard water requirements vary according to the weather conditions and the maturity of the trees. It is important to adjust the irrigation schedule frequently in order to match the water demand of the orchard.  In addition, water savings in the orchard can be achieved by making changes and/or improvements to the orchard itself, the irrigation system, and the management of the irrigation system.

The workshop will include information on orchard management practices to improve water irrigation and provide healthy productive crops.

- *Soils*
- *Fertilization Period*
- *Frequency and Duration of Water Irrigation*
- *Irrigation System Maintenance*
- *Pruning and Thinning*
- *Orchard Life Seasonal Fruit Bearing and Yield Productivity*

In combination with orchard management the workshop will include water wise landscape practices.

- *Garden Design Concepts*
- *Drought Tolerant Plants*
- *Irrigation Basics for Homeowners*
- *Irrigation Scheduling & Maintenance*

Participants are eligible for a **Free** Weather Based Irrigation Controller for landscaped areas greater than one acre, by turning in their old manual irrigation controller.

If you are interested in learning ways to maintain a **healthy productive orchard**, to create a **water wise landscape**, and how to **save water**, contact Donnie Alexander at 805.482.8514 to register for the upcoming workshop.