

38th Annual Spring Training Conference Sheraton DTC



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38th Annual CALCP Spring Training Conference Schedule

Tuesday, March 3, 2026

6:00 a.m.		Room Block Attendees- <i>Enjoy a complimentary breakfast buffet in Redfire Restaurant 6 a.m.-10 a.m.</i>
7:30 a.m.		Registration Open-Please enjoy Grab & Go Strolling Breakfast w/Exhibitors
GENERAL SESSIONS		
Time	Code	Presentation
8:00 a.m.		Presidential Opening, Title Sponsor- SavATree, and Tree Note Speaker-Jay Hicks
8:30 a.m.	EP&PF	Insecticide Classes & Natural Enemies: Smart IPM in Plant Care- Dr. Whitney Cranshaw
9:30 a.m.	206	New Active Ingredients for the Industry & Improving Efficiency in Applications-Don Frantz
10:30 a.m.		DBC sponsored Break w/exhibitors-Snacks and Refreshments w/Exhibitors
11:00 a.m.	LR (2)	CO Dept of Agriculture Regulatory Update (2 credits)-John Scott & Becky England
12:00 p.m.		Vargas Property Services, Inc. Sponsored Lunch-Please enjoy Cocina Lunch Buffet w/Exhibitors-View east parking lot heavy equipment.
1:00 p.m.	AS	Applicator Safety-Jared Reinke
1:30 p.m.	304	Common "Nuisance Invader" Insects of Homes & Buildings- Dr. Whitney Cranshaw
2:30 p.m.		Break w/exhibitors-Snacks and Refreshments w/Exhibitors
3:00 p.m.	PS&UP	Backpack Calibration-Mark Pickrel
4:00 p.m.	207	Wood Borers: Diagnosis and Management-Whitney Cranshaw (CDA & ISA credit)

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Wednesday, March 4, 2026

6:00 a.m.	Room Block Attendees- <i>Enjoy a complimentary breakfast buffet in Redfire Restaurant 6 a.m.-10 a.m.</i>		
7:00 a.m.	VIP Breakfast: Key Business Metrics + Industry Trends featuring Mark Tomko, founder of Valor Landscape. Pre-registered ticketed event for owners, management, decision makers. Event will be held in Bierstadt/Columbia Rooms. See CALCP desk to pre-register.		
7:30 a.m.	Registration Open-Please enjoy Grab & Go Strolling Breakfast w/Exhibitors		
ORNAMENTAL AND TURF TRACKS			
Time	Room	Code	Presentation
8:00 a.m.	1	107	Protecting Colorado Rangelands: Practical Pest and Weed Management for Healthy Landscapes-Robert Gonzales
8:00 a.m.	2	207	Leaf it to the Caterpillars: Identification and Management of Moth Tree Pest of the Rockies-Ryan Bartlett (CDA & ISA credit)
9:00 a.m.	1	304	Occasional Invaders-Ryan Riley
9:00 a.m.	2	207	The Updated Tree Diagnostic Checklist-Korey Lofy (CDA & ISA credit)
10:00 a.m.	Break w/exhibitors-Snacks and Refreshments in Exhibitor Hall		
10:30 a.m.	1	109	Industrial and Right-of-Way Weed Control-Mark Pickrel
10:30 a.m.	2	206	Colorado Turf Pest Control-Wes Epele
11:30 a.m.	1	106	A Tiny Threat: Understanding the Spruce Beetle and its Role in Colorado Forests-Pilkington (CDA & ISA credit)
11:30 a.m.	2	206	Managing Turf Pests with Soft Chemistries and Bio-nutritional Technologies-Judd Fitzgerald
12:30 p.m.	Vermeer Sponsored Lunch-Please enjoy Tuscan Lunch Buffet w/Exhibitors-View east parking lot heavy equipment.		
1:30 p.m.	1	108	Solutions for Success in Aquatic Systems-Kaitlyn Quincy
1:30 p.m.	2	109	Right of Way Weed Control Application Types & Methods-Brad Maddy
2:30 p.m.	1	107	From Ditch to Fence: Practical Weed Control that Works-Jeffrey Pettingill
2:30 p.m.	2	302	Voles and Pocket Gopher Services: From Start to Finish-Brandon Ewals-Strain
3:30 p.m.	Final break		
3:45 p.m.	1	103	Spray Smart: Weed ID, IPM, and Precision Control-Jeffrey Pettingill
3:45 p.m.	2	110 110G	Mosquito Trapping Services-Brandon Ewals-Strain

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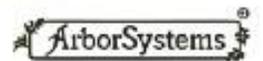
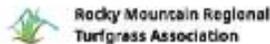


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