

Save the Date!  
**2019 Yuma/Winterhaven H-2A Stakeholder Meeting**

**January 8, 2019**

**8 am – 2 pm**

**Quechan Casino - 525 Algodones Road, Winterhaven, CA 92283**

**SPONSORING ORGANIZATIONS**



**Round Table topics:**

- Expanding the use of H-2A beyond field harvest work (Secondary Ag)
- H-2A Driver Transportation Issues
- Avoiding costly mistakes when dealing with referrals from the SWA (EDD/DES) on your job order
- Rejections of your H-2A job order (790) by the SWA (EDD/DES) – issues and best practices
- Housing issues and concerns
- And other important issues!

**Experts from Government and Industry:**

- California Highway Patrol
- Department of Labor – Wage and Hour Division
- State of Arizona Department of Economic Security- Employment Services (DES)
- State of California Employment Development Department (EDD)
- State of California Labor Commissioner
- Malitzlaw Inc.
- The Saqui Law Group
- Western Growers

**Cost to attend: \$15 per person - to register, please visit <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2019-yumawinterhaven-h-2a-stakeholder-meeting-tickets-52852345789>**

**For sponsorship information, contact Julia Belliard at APMA: tel.: 831.422.8023  
or email: [apma20@pacbell.net](mailto:apma20@pacbell.net)**

# 2019 Yuma/Winterhaven H-2A Stakeholder Meeting Agenda

## 7:30 - 8:00 am — REGISTRATION & CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST

## 8:00 - 8:10 am — WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

**Julia Belliard** — Executive Director, APMA

**Kimberly A. Naffziger** — Vice President & Agricultural Specialist, Zenith Insurance Company

## 8:10 - 8:45 am — USING H-2A FOR SECONDARY AG JOBS

**Ruben Lugo** — Western Region Ag Enforcement Coordinator – USDOL, Wage and Hour Division

**Jeanne Malitz** — Principal, Malitz Law, Inc.

**Jason Resnick** — V.P. & General Counsel, Western Growers

**Steve Scaroni** — Principal, Scaroni Family of Companies

## 8:45 - 9:30 am — SWA JOB REFERRALS AND H-2A EMPLOYER OBLIGATIONS AND THE ROLE OF THE SWA OUTREACH WORKER

**Jeanne Malitz** — Principal, Malitz Law, Inc. (Moderator)

**Cornelio Gomez** — Ag Group Manager, CA EDD

**Carlos Rodriguez** — CA Monitor Advocate, CA EDD

**Tim Tucker** — Deputy Workforce Administrator, AZ DES

**Miguel Ramos** — AZ Monitor Advocate, AZ DES

## 9:30 - 10:15 am — H-2A JOB ORDERS (790) DEFICIENCIES AND BEST PRACTICES

**Jason Resnick** — V.P. & General Counsel, Western Growers (Moderator)

**Francisco Macias** — Foreign Labor Analyst, CA EDD

**Kam Weaver** — Foreign Labor Certification Coordinator, AZ DES

## 10:15 - 10:30 pm — BREAK

## 10:30 - 11:15 am — TRANSPORTATION / DRIVER ISSUES

**Kimberly A. Naffziger** — Vice President & Agricultural Specialist, Zenith Insurance Company (Moderator)

**Ruben Lugo** — Western Region Ag Enforcement Coordinator – USDOL, Wage and Hour Division

**Officer Joe Miller** — California Highway Patrol

**Ron Hughes** — Director, Cal Vans

**CA DMV** — Invited

## 11:15 am - 12:00 pm — HOUSING UPDATES

**Carmen Ponce** — Vice President and General Counsel Labor, T&A (Moderator)

**Cesar Ponce** — Administrator, State of CA Housing and Community Development

**Francisco Macias** — Foreign Labor Analyst, CA EDD

**Alyssa Linville** — Principal Planner, City of Yuma

## Noon - 12:30 pm — LUNCH

## 12:30 - 1:00 pm — STATE OF CALIFORNIA LABOR COMPLIANCE TRENDS IN THE DESERT AREA

**Mabel Martinez** — Deputy Labor Commissioner, DLSE

## 1:00 - 2:00 pm — H-2A COMPLIANCE ISSUES AND HOT TOPICS IN CA / AZ AND GENERAL Q & A

**Ruben Lugo** — Western Region Ag Enforcement Coordinator – USDOL, Wage and Hour Division

**Michael Saqui** — Principal, Saqui Law Group

H-2A experts in attendance may also be available to answer specific questions.