



TOMATO INFO

**Field Meeting:
Fusarium crown rot
Tues, Sept 11**

Fusarium crown and root rot field meeting
11:00am to noon, **Tuesday, 11 September 2012**
County Road 25A X CR 97
near Plainfield Elementary School
southwestern Woodland area

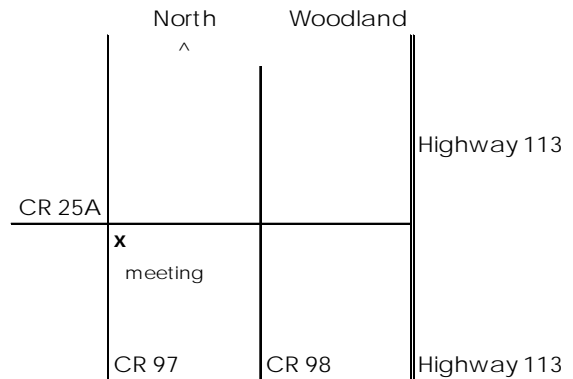
A field meeting will be held to provide information and field diagnosis on Fusarium crown and root rot (*Fusarium oxysporum* f.sp. *radicis lycopersici*), a tomato disease of increasing regional importance. The disease has become well established in several fields and is present in many tomato fields. The most noticeable damage begins during the early fruit ripening stage of plant growth development, although infection might begin much earlier. Complete plant collapse often occurs, resulting in extensive sunburn damage to exposed fruit. The fungus is soilborne. Its ability to persist in the soil for a number of years presents the challenge.

Extension Plant Pathologist Mike Davis and former Campbell Soup plant pathologist Hasan Bolkan will share information and their experience with this disease. Plant resistance is available in some fresh market tomatoes, but not in our processing tomato cultivars yet.

We believe it is important for local growers, PCAs and our tomato seed companies to attend this brief meeting.

Directions: From Highway 113, take the County Road 25A exit. Head west for ~3 miles to CR 97. The meeting will be held near the intersection of County Roads 25A x CR 97.

Note: Please do not park in Plainfield Elementary School space.



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