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## The 4-H Way

February 2025

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### Upcoming Events

#### February

- 1 Registration opens for County Presentation Day & Livestock Knowledge Bowl

**21 DATE CHANGE** Last day to register for County Presentation Day & Livestock Knowledge Bowl

#### March

- 1 **DATE CHANGE** County Presentation & Livestock Knowledge Bowl, Hosted by Grenada & Shasta View 4-H Club

- 11 Leaders Council Meeting  
7 pm 4H Office

- 14 State Shooting Sports Competition Registration Deadline

- 29-30 Shooting Sports Instructor Meeting, Redbluff

#### April

- 5 County Fashion Review. Home Ec Day—Gazelle Grange

### County Presentation Day - Date Changes!!

**March 1st, 2025**

#### County Presentation Day Date Changes

Registration Deadline— February 21st

County Presentation Day &	Livestock
Knowledge Bowl	

**March 1st, 2025**

[REGISTER HERE](#)

9:00 Grenada Berean Church

521 6th St., Grenada, CA., 96038

SEE ADDENDUM TO PRESENTATION MANUAL

[CLICK HERE](#)

### State Field Day & Fashion Review

Big change for State Field Day! This annual event is usually held on Memorial Day Weekend. This has made it hard for families with county fairs or vacations during the long weekend to take part. We are moving it to the weekend before - Saturday, May 17, 2025. We will assess this change based on feedback and attendance. We hope this will make it easier for families to join the event.

Avian Bowl will be held at this event

Save the Dates!  
State Field Day 2025  
May 17, 2025  
UC Davis Campus

### State Shooting Sports Competition

Registration **OPEN NOW**

Entry Deadline Postmarked by:

**March 14th, 2025**

Return Targets Postmarked by:

**JUNE 16th, 2025**

[https://ucanr.edu/sites/ca4H/Events/Shooting\\_Sports\\_events/](https://ucanr.edu/sites/ca4H/Events/Shooting_Sports_events/)

### Avian Influenza Update Links

[CDFA Home](#)

[AVIAN / LIVESTOCK Health Information](#)

See Attached Bio Security Recommendations

## Holiday Helpers

This holiday season, Grenada 4-H has been a huge help to the community, with Thanksgiving food drives, to Toys for Tots, helping many. Grenada 4-H was involved in the Thanksgiving food drive that was held at the Grenada Buran Church. This drive was to give food to those in need, so they can have a full holiday meal. At the November monthly meeting, the 4-H members brought canned goods to be donated to the church, where baskets were made and given to those in need.

Grenada 4-H has also participated in many Christmas related events. At the December monthly meeting, the 4-Hrs brought in many toys to be donated to Ken Midal, the Siskiyou County Toys for Tots representative.

These toys were then given to those in need. The 4-H group also participated in Christmas caroling around the small town of Grenada to spread holiday cheer. Finally, the 4-H group had 4 families be assigned to a different child to buy a gift for through the Grenada Buran Church's Giving Tree, to give to children in need. As we can see, Grenada 4-H was very active in helping our community this holiday season.



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## Protecting Your Herd Against H5N1 Bird Flu: Biosecurity Recommendations

H5N1 Bird Flu has been confirmed in California dairy herds as of August 30, 2024. Incorporating consistent and continuous biosecurity practices is the most effective defense against this virus for producers. Most producers already have an established biosecurity program based on state or federal programs; for producers without a comprehensive biosecurity plan, we are providing a list of effective actions that can be taken immediately.

### Here are 10 Action Items to Protect Your Herd

Special thanks to Dr. Michael Payne with CDQAP

**Comply with movement requirements.** If importing cattle from outside California is unavoidable, make sure your out-of-state veterinarian has completed a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI, aka "health papers"), entry permits, and pre-movement testing.

**Partner with your processor on milk pick-ups.** Infected milk is the primary method of disease spread. Producers should understand what PPE and hygiene practices processors expect from their haulers. Processors may choose to dedicate certain trucks for use only on infected farms.

**Isolate new or returning arrivals for 30 days.** Isolation paired with pre-movement testing offers the greatest protection. For heifers raised off-site, ensure that springers are either tested before movement and/or returned to the dairy and quarantined 30 days prior to calving.

**Use an effective isolation location** that will not allow nose-to-nose contact with resident cows and will not share a water source. Such isolation requirements may be difficult to meet on the home dairy and use of an alternative isolation location may be necessary.

**Train employees to report suspicious symptoms.** Early segregation of infected animals into a hospital string can greatly limit within-herd spread and financial losses. Train employees to both follow your farm's biosecurity protocols as well as report suspicious symptoms in cattle.

**Provide PPE for employees.** Provide disposable gloves and N95 masks, along with non-disposable personal goggles or a face shield. At a minimum, have employees wear farm-dedicated clothing & footwear. Report any illness, particularly with respiratory, eye, and cold/flu symptoms, so they may seek medical attention.

**Power wash and disinfect trailers.** Cleaning and disinfection of shared vehicles (particularly trailers), both before and after farm entry, is critical. If possible, use only your own trailers to transport only your own animals.

**Manage essential facility traffic.** All delivery vehicles (feed, milk tankers, rendering) should use designated paths and parking areas that do not cross farm vehicle paths. Milk tankers require special consideration. Clean and disinfect any vehicles crossing farm vehicle paths.

**Limit or prohibit non-essential farm visitors.** Work with essential visitors (veterinarians, artificial insemination and equipment technicians, hoof trimmers) to develop biosecurity plans tailored to their function.

**Avoid sharing employees with other dairy or poultry operations.** An enhanced biosecurity practice is for farm employees to use farm-specific boots and coveralls that never leave the dairy. This practice becomes even more important if you can't prevent employees from having outside animal contact.



# POULTRY/POULTRY PRODUCTS REQUIRE PERMITS TO ENTER, LEAVE, OR MOVE WITHIN A HPAI CONTROL AREA

## UPDATED (WEEKLY): JANUARY 29, 2025



A statewide quarantine HQ-220223-1Q (view online [here](#)) has been imposed on imports because live poultry, hatching eggs, & poultry products that may be infected with or exposed to Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza (HPAI) can devastate poultry in California.

All hatching eggs, live poultry, and certain poultry products that originated or passed through an **out-of-state HPAI Control Area** without obtaining an official movement permit **WILL BE QUARANTINED** and both the shipper and receiver may be issued a violation upon arrival at the destination.

**Out-of-state HPAI Control Area** restrictions **ONLY** apply if the origin of the movement is in a USDA/State HPAI Control Area **OR** if the origin premises is suspected of having HPAI.

For **HPAI Control Areas** that are inside California, all poultry premises within the Control Area will be under quarantine and **ALL MOVEMENTS** of poultry/poultry products will require permits to enter, leave, or move within the HPAI Control Area. California counties themselves are not quarantined, only the infected premises.



### What is a Control Area?

A geographic region designed to contain a foreign animal disease (FAD) outbreak such as HPAI. The control area consists of a central infected zone, surrounded by one or more buffer zones.



#### Counties with control areas:

- Arizona: Pinal
- Arkansas: Clay, Cleveland
- California: Butte, Marin, Merced, Riverside, San Joaquin, Stanislaus, Tulare
- Delaware: Kent
- Georgia: Elbert
- Illinois: Cook
- Indiana: Allen, Jay
- Maryland: Caroline, Dorchester, Queen Anne's
- Michigan: Ottawa
- Minnesota: Dakota, Wadena
- Missouri: Jasper, Lawrence, McDonald, Newton
- Montana: Missoula
- New York: Suffolk
- North Carolina: Hyde
- Ohio: Darke, Mercer
- Oklahoma: Adair
- Puerto Rico: Culebra
- South Carolina: Spartanburg
- South Dakota: Charles Mix, Miner
- Virginia: Accomack
- Washington: Franklin



### Exempt



Processed poultry products (including eggs for consumption) going to licensed distribution or retail facilities inside California that **do not have poultry on property or on adjacent property.**

### Not Exempt

**ALL POULTRY/POULTRY PRODUCTS REQUIRE PERMITS TO ENTER, LEAVE, OR MOVE WITHIN A HPAI CONTROL AREA INSIDE CALIFORNIA**

### Out-Of-State Control Areas

Movement permits as required by the USDA or State authorities and permits required by California for:

1. Hatching or Embryonated Eggs
2. Nest-run Eggs
3. Poultry Products
4. Poultry Equipment (Ex. feed, etc.)
5. All Live Poultry Including:

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|----------------|-----------------------------|
| ■ All chickens | ■ Peafowl                   |
| ■ Doves        | ■ Pheasants                 |
| ■ Ducks        | ■ Pigeons                   |
| ■ Francolin    | ■ Quail                     |
| ■ Gallinules   | ■ Swans                     |
| ■ Geese        | ■ Tinamou                   |
| ■ Grouse       | ■ Turkeys                   |
| ■ Guinea fowl  | ■ Ostriches & other ratites |
| ■ Partridges   |                             |



Daily updates can be found on **USDA APHIS of 2022-2025** Detections of Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza in Poultry

#### 2022-2025 HPAI Outbreak Situation Within the Last 30 Days

- # of birds affected: 17.80M
- # of confirmed flocks: 108
- # of commercial flocks: 66
- # of backyard flocks: 42
- # of States/Territory with Control Areas: 21
- # of Counties with Control Areas: 37
- # of birds affected total outbreak: 147.25M



Report any unusual or suspicious sick or dead domestic birds, to the Sick Bird Hotline at **(866) 922-2473**.



Questions and requests for animal movement permits e-mail the Animal Health Branch Permit Line at **SFSPERMITS@CDFA.CA.GOV** or call: **(909) 247-8789** (8am-5pm, 7 days a week).

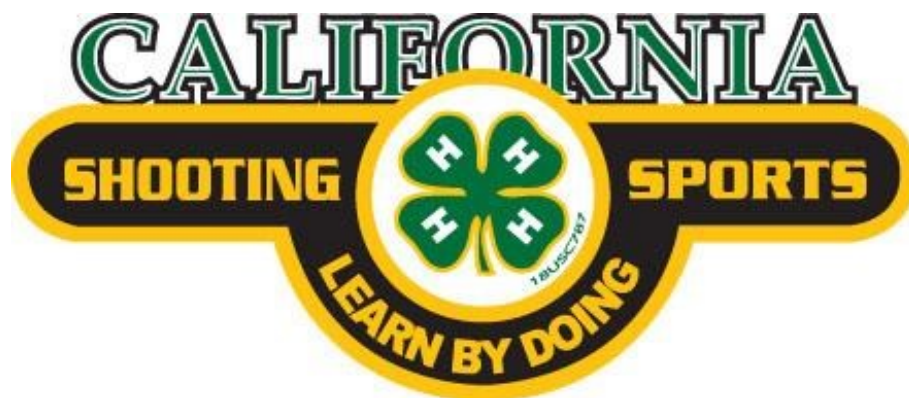


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Animal Health Branch-CDFA





It's time to sharpen up your shooting skills and start preparing for the 41st Annual State 4-H Shooting Sports Match, sponsored by the **Siskiyou County 4-H Council**. Registration is now open and all entries **MUST** be postmarked by March 14, 2025. For complete details and to download the rules and registration packet, please visit:

[https://ucanr.edu/sites/ca4H/Events/Shooting\\_Sports\\_events/](https://ucanr.edu/sites/ca4H/Events/Shooting_Sports_events/)

This is a promotional graphic for the 41st Annual California State 4-H Shooting Sports Match. The background is dark grey with several white target symbols scattered across it. On the left, the text '41st Annual California State 4-H Shooting Sports Match' is written in a large, white, sans-serif font. To the right of this text is a large white megaphone icon. At the top left, there is a small version of the California Shooting Sports logo. A red banner at the bottom left contains the text 'REGISTRATION MUST BE POSTMARKED BY MARCH 14, 2025' in white. At the bottom right, the University of California Agriculture and Natural Resources logo is displayed, featuring a four-leaf clover and the text 'UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA Agriculture and Natural Resources'.

# Sprout into the 4-H'er you were meant to be

- Participate in State level contests,
  - Connect with 4-H'ers from across the state,
  - Learn new things at the interactive booths,
  - Get inspired by other contest participants
- Continue making the best better in your 4-H career.

## State level competitions

State Fashion Revue and State Presentation Events have qualifying requirements from County-level competitions. The State Plant Science contest is a qualifier for national competition.

Contests without qualifying requirements allow you to compete and learn from 4-H competitors from throughout California. This event strengthens a number of important [extended learning practices](#).

Questions? Email us at [4hsfd@ucanr.edu](mailto:4hsfd@ucanr.edu)

### COMPETITIONS

Forestry

Insect Identification

Photography

Plant Science

Robotics

State Fashion Review

State Interview Contest

State Presentation Day

Video Essay Contest



**STATE  
FIELD DAY**

**Learn**

**Thrive**

**Grow**

# 2025 STATE FASHION REVUE CATEGORIES

## TRADITIONAL

Participants in this category will construct a garment/s and assemble an outfit that showcases their sewing skills and ability to coordinate an outfit. The outfit must contain at least one constructed garment. Participants are encouraged to construct additional garments to complete the outfit but may wear clothing they purchased or already own. Accessories - such as shoes, hats, belts, jewelry, purses, backpacks, etc., - may be purchased, already owned, or made by the member. If items were sewn that cannot be worn - such as in a coordinating jacket, skirt, and pants set or in a pajama set with matching pillow or quilt - these additional items may be carried. Only garments sewn by the participant will be evaluated on construction, but all items worn will be evaluated on the outfit coordination.

You may enter a Make It With Wool outfit in the Traditional category. If you choose to enter the Make It With Wool competition that is supported by the American Sheep Industry, it is your responsibility to ensure that your entry meets the Make It With Wool requirements. (<https://makeitwithwool.com/welcome>)

The garment/s in this category must be sewn by the member as part of a 4-H Clothing & Textiles Project\* and modeled by the member at the Fashion Revue event.

## CONSUMER SCIENCE PURCHASED, \$50.00

### LIMIT

Participants in this category will shop for an entire outfit with the total cost not to exceed \$50.00 not including sales tax. Receipts from the current 4-H year are required for any item that is visible. This includes but is not limited to shoes, stockings, jewelry, and hair accessories. Gifts, prior purchases, and items without receipts are not eligible for this category. Receipts from yard sales, etc. may be handwritten. The participant

should consider value vs. cost, versatility, the shopping experience, and coordination of the outfit within the cost limit.

This category has no 4-H project requirement and must be modeled by the member at the Fashion Revue event.

## UNIQUELY UPCYCLED

In the context of fashion, upcycling involves repurposing old clothing or textiles to create new and unique garments. This can include combining different pieces of a garment or other materials to create a fresh look. You can alter the items through sewing, embellishing, painting, dyeing, etc. An example would be combining sleeves from one garment to the bodice of another item to create your own, unique garment.

The garment/s in this category must be sewn by the member as part of a 4-H Clothing & Textiles Project\* and modeled by the member at the Fashion Revue event.



## FAVORITE DECADE CHALLENGE

Participants in this challenge will create an outfit that is inspired by your favorite decade. The entry must state the year or period of the design and include a drawing, photo, or description of the

classic design that is being reproduced or duplicated. Add accessories to complete the outfit that are reminiscent of that time period. The outfit must feature at least one handmade garment made by the member. Other pieces of the outfit must be representative and recognizable as belonging to the same era as the handmade

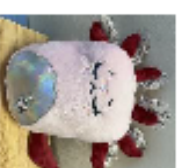
The garment/s in this category must be sewn by the member as part of a 4-H Clothing & Textiles Project\* and modeled by the member at the Fashion Revue event.



## SOFTIE CHALLENGE

What is a softie? A stuffed animal, cloth doll, plush toy, soft sculpture, or fabric toy. In this challenge, the participant will sew, felt, knit, or crochet a softie using a pattern or their own design. Any type of fabric and any embellishment techniques (trims, embroidery, yarn hair, removable clothing) may be used. Participant must present the entry themselves at the Fashion Revue event.

This category has no 4-H project requirement and must be shown by the member at the Fashion Revue event.



## LEATHER CREATIONS

Participants in the Leather Creations category will create any leather accessory – purse, wallet, belt, saddlebag, key fob, etc. – in any style. Any leather techniques may be used (tooling, carving, dyeing, painting, shaping, stitching, etc.) Materials used may be any leather, suede, or faux leather products.

This category has no 4-H project requirement and must be shown by the member at the Fashion Revue event.

### NEEDLEWORK

Participants in this category will create any type of needlework – embroidery, cross stitch, needlepoint, quilting, knitting, crochet, etc. You may use a kit.

The item/s in this category must be sewn by the member as part of a 4-H Clothing & Textiles Project\* and shown by the member at the Fashion Revue event.

*\*4-H Clothing and Textiles projects include Sewing, Fiber Arts, Crocheting, Knitting, and Quilting.*

### WHO CAN ENTER 2024 STATE FASHION REVUE?

Any 4-H Member

### WHAT DO I NEED TO KNOW TO ENTER 2024 STATE FASHION REVUE?

Traditional, Consumer Science Purchased, \$50.00 Limit, and Uniquely Upcycled entries must have received County Winner at a County 4-H Fashion Revue or other qualifying event. Only one County Winner from each age division in these three categories may enter State Fashion Revue.

Favorite Decade Challenge, Softie Challenge, Leather Creations, and Needlework categories do not need to qualify at a County 4-H Fashion Revue or other qualifying event.

### Age Divisions (Age as of 12/31/23)

Junior, ages 9-10

Intermediate, ages 11-13

Senior, ages 14-18

Members may enter two categories at State Fashion Revue.

The two highest point score winners in Senior Traditional, Senior Consumer Science Purchased, and Senior Uniquely Upcycled will qualify for the FCS National Championship & Conference Fashion Revue categories.





# Join the Pilot Farm Robotics Challenge Academy

[The Farm Robotics Challenge](#) is exploring what it would look like to build an option for secondary school students to participate in the challenge. Our goal is to build out categories for participation that we can roll out for the 2025/26 academic year.

If you're a high school teacher or leader in organizations like FFA, 4-H, Grange, or other youth serving institution and have a passion for technology and project-based work, consider joining our pilot group.

Teams have the choice of participating in the [AIR](#) or [LAND](#) categories as outlined in the post secondary school level challenge.

**January 24, 2025 – Registration for pilot group due**

**February 21, 2025 – Project Proposals due**

**April 24, 2025 – Final Projects Due**

**May, TBA – Awards**

**August 1, 2025 – Top 3 teams advance to a Championship Round**



The Farm Robotics Challenge is an annual competition that invites student teams from universities and colleges across the world to tackle real-world ag challenges. Join our pilot program to expand the program to include secondary school aged competitors.

#### WHO CAN PARTICIPATE

- **Students:** Secondary school students from public and private high schools, FFA, 4-H, Grange, or other youth serving organizations.
- **Team Leaders:** High school teachers, academic staff, volunteer leaders, mentors.

#### WHY PARTICIPATE

- **Skill Development:** Gain hands-on experience in robotics, AI, and ag science. Work on real-world projects that challenge you to develop foundational skills.
- **Networking:** Connect with industry leaders, academic experts, and like-minded peers.
- **Real-world Impact:** Contribute to sustainable and efficient farming practices. Your innovations could spark innovations for our food system.
- **Prizes:** Awards and travel stipends to attend FIRA ag tech conference.



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Learn more about us and sign up to join our Academy Pilot Group at <https://www.farmroboticschallenge.ai/academy>

The Farm Robotics Challenge is organized by [UC Agriculture and Natural Resources](#) and the [AI Institute for Next Generation Food Systems](#) (AIFS), with support from the [Fresno-Merced Future of Food Initiative](#) (F3).

# Annual 4-H Shooting Sports Instructor Meeting

Tehama Shooters Association Range

26950 Manton Road

Red Bluff, CA

Saturday, March 29, 2025

8:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Sunday, March 30, 2025

8:00 AM - 1:00 PM



Calling ALL Shooting Sports Instructors - this includes certified adult volunteers, certified teen leaders, shooting sports volunteers who support the project but are not certified in a discipline, and 4-H staff.

This **mandatory\*** meeting is a two-day event filled with:

Program updates

Discipline-specific networking

Range time

Special guest speakers

Updates on the 4-H Shooting Sports Ambassador program

National Championship information

Information on Fundraising opportunities

And more!

Attendance at this 2-day session will extend your current 4-H discipline certification(s) by one (1) year, provided you did not already attend the meeting in Winton, CA.

*\*Mandatory* means that all shooting sports volunteers should make every attempt to attend. **Every county engaged in shooting sports programming should have at least one representative in attendance.**

## Register Now

Please help us plan by registering early. **Final registration deadline is March 24, 2025.**

Fee: \$40 to cover materials, supplies, meals and drinks, and targets. Breakfast, snacks, drinks, and lunch will be provided on both days. You must secure your own lodging.

Fees can be paid online using a credit card or by check, payable to UC Regents, sent to the UCCE Shasta County office. Please see the [registration form](#) for the mailing address. We recommend contacting your county staff and/or 4-H club leadership to ask about providing support for your travel, lodging, and fees.

## Questions

**Registration:** Nate Caeton [nwcaeton@ucanr.edu](mailto:nwcaeton@ucanr.edu)

**Shooting Sports:** Russell Hill [rdhill@ucanr.edu](mailto:rdhill@ucanr.edu) or Nate Caeton [nwcaeton@ucanr.edu](mailto:nwcaeton@ucanr.edu)

We're currently recruiting guest speakers for the launch of "The Volunteer Café Webinar Series," a bi-monthly, 1-hour exploration of creative and innovative practices by our very own CA 4-H Volunteer Club and Project Leaders.

We are looking for volunteers who would be willing to share and showcase their creative and innovative programming with their peers.



The  
**VOLUNTEER  
CAFÉ**  
Webinar Series



A special blend of tools and tips for 4-H volunteers

# Share, Inspire, Connect!

Contribute to our 4-H Volunteer Community by becoming a guest speaker at one of our Bi-Monthly Webinar Series showcasing YOUR special brew of creativity and innovation.

**ABOUT THE WEBINARS**

These bi-monthly, 1-hr. webinars aim to inspire, educate, and unite 4-H volunteers by creating a space for volunteers to learn from their peers.

**WHO WE ARE LOOKING FOR**

4-H project leaders and club leaders who have a creative and innovative approach, strategy, or activity to share

**WEBINAR GOALS**

- Inspire and Motivate
- Share Knowledge
- Develop Skills
- Build Networks
- Strengthen the Community

**WHAT WE ARE LOOKING FOR**

- Provide a brief overview or demonstration of your innovative approach, strategy, or activity
- Share relevant resources
- Answer questions

**WHO TO CONTACT**

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4-H Statewide CES III: Volunteer & Staff Development  
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**HOW WE WILL SUPPORT**

- 1-on-1 preparation support
- Promote the session
- Host the session



If you're interested in joining our team as a guest speaker, complete the [Speaker Application](#).

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