

South Coast Research and Extension Center



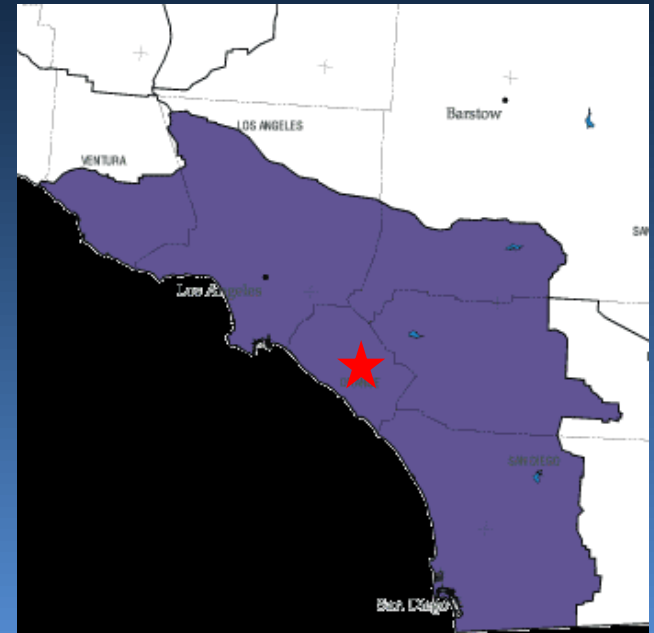
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- Established in 1956 to continue subtropical research formerly conducted at UCLA.
- 200 acres centrally located in the South Coast Bioregion, the most populous bioregion in California.
 - Over 17 million residents estimated to reside in the area by 2010.
 - Over 19 million residents by 2020.





South Coast Climate



- Average rainfall approximately 14".
- Average yearly high temp. of 76 degrees F.
- Average yearly low temp. of 50 degrees F.
- Santa Ana wind conditions

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Examples of Strengths

- Strawberry Variety Development
- Avocado Research Program
- Portion of Citrus Variety Collection
- Nematode Research
- Integrated Pest Management Research
- Specialty Crops
- Urban Runoff Research
- Ornamental Nursery Plant Production







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Current Challenges

- Ag/Urban Interface Issues
- Water quality
- Water costs
- Development pressure
- Regulatory pressures (air & water)
- State budget cuts



Questions?

