

2007 New Mexico Chile Conference

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Hotel Encanto de Las Cruces
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Chairman - *Paul Bosland*

Co-chairman - *John White*

AM Moderator - *Charlie Siepel*

PM Moderator - *Kevin Branum*

- 7:30 **Registration: Danise Coon & Monica Giron**
Coffee and Pastries
- 8:00 **Welcome - General Session (Guadalupe/Soledad)**
Greg Mullins
- 8:10 **Community Water Filtration Update**
Gary Esslinger
- 8:30 **New Mexico Chile Association Overview**
Gene Baca
- 9:00 **Chile Pepper Institute/NMSU Library Archives Project**
Wendy Hamilton
- 9:30 **NMDA Pesticide Licensing Update**
Bonnie Rabe
- 10:00 **BREAK -- Coffee/Pastries - San Augustine/Tularosa**
View Research Posters & Silent Auction Items
- 10:30 **Marketing New Mexico Chile**
David Lucero
- 11:00 **Nutrient Uptake in Chile**
Jeff Silvertooth
- 11:30 **Lunch Buffet** (the Silent Auction closes at the end of lunch)

1:00 **Afternoon Workshops - 2 hour sessions**

****Please feel free to move among the sessions at your leisure****

A - Mechanization: *Facilitator - Stephanie Walker with speakers: Ryan Herbon, Ed Curry, Ed Hughes, Jae Bok Park, and Ed Eaton.* Current efforts in mechanical harvesting and the next steps toward successful transition to machine harvesting of green chile and cayenne peppers will be discussed.
Guadalupe/Soledad

B - Crop Management: *Facilitator - Ron Walser with speakers: Jeff Silvertooth, Rebecca Creamer, Natalie Goldberg, and Soum Sanogo.* The latest research information on pest management strategies, chemical replacements, and the most recent advancements in curly top virus prevention measures.-- **San Rafael B** (CEU's available, see John White)

C - Product Development & Food Technology - Facilitator - Martha Archuleta with speakers from the Colleges of Agriculture and Home Economics and Engineering, the PSL, and USDA. Get the latest information on what NMSU researchers are doing to support the New Mexico food industry in the areas of food science, engineering, and marketing -- **Cimarron**

D - Biotechnology & Genetics
Facilitator - Steve Hanson with Suman Bagga. This discussion will focus on the potential use of biotechnology in chile production, the latest research on this technology making its mark on agriculture and its broad potential for increasing the productivity of vegetable and food crop production. -- **Los Padres**

3:30 - Poster Session & Social Hour - Student Award Sponsored by NMSU Agricultural Experiment Station

4:00 - Adjourn