



NOTICE OF A MEETING
OF THE
CITRUS RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT FOUNDATION, INC.
RESEARCH MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Thursday, March 19, 2026 – 10:00 AM

TIME AND PLACE OF MEETING

A meeting of the Research Management Committee of the Citrus Research and Development Foundation, Inc. will be held on Thursday, March 19, 2026, at 10:00 AM at the Grove House, located at 20160 US Highway 27, Lake Wales, Florida.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this meeting is asked to advise the Foundation at least 72 hours in advance by contacting Audrey Nowicki by phone at 863-956-5894 or by email at anowicki@citrusrdf.org.

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AGENDA

- A. Call to Order
- B. Roll Call/Determination of Quorum
- C. Approval of Minutes of January 20, 2026, RMC Meeting *
- D. Available funds discussion
- E. Discussion and recommendations of full research proposals:
 - 1. H. Jin, 25-018 ‘Field Evaluation of SAMP-Expressing Carrizo Rootstock for Protection of Citrus Scions Against HLB’ *
 - 2. Z. Mou, 25-017 ‘Enabling transgene-free editing in mature citrus’ *
 - 3. C. Messina (& A. Huo), 25-014 ‘Rapid Development of Transgene-Free, Phloem-Enhanced Valencia Sweet Orange for HLB Tolerance via Mature-Tissue CRISPR Editing’ *
 - 4. D. Norman & P. Schirard, ‘Development of SP2 as a Biological Biostimulant to Mitigate Huanglongbing in Florida Citrus’
- F. Discussion and recommendations of continuation funding of project 22-020 R. Turgeon, ‘Protecting citrus trees from citrus greening with anchored, single-chain antibodies’ *
- G. Continuing discussion and recommendations of research preproposals and proposals:
 - 1. C. Messina and C. El Mohtar 25-016, ‘Developing an efficient system to accelerate flowering in citrus seedlings’ *
 - 2. Y. Wang, ‘Using Machine Learning on Juvenile Leaf Chemistry to Predict Future Sweet Orange Juice Quality’ *
- H. Presentation by M. Dutt project results investigating the enhanced tolerance in Parson Brown
- I. Other Business
- J. Public Comments
- K. Adjournment

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