



DOWN THE VEGETABLE ROW

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2003 San Joaquin County and Stanislaus County FRESH MARKET TOMATO VARIETY TRIAL FIELD DAY

10:00 a.m. – Monday, September 15, 2003

The trial is located at George Perry & Sons (George & Art Perry, Paul Gomes) on Stewart Tract off Cohen Road approximately 4.2 miles northwest of I-5 and the Mossdale Y (see map on back for details). The experimental plot is divided into two trials – round varieties and “Roma” lines. In the round cultivar block there are 9 replicated lines and another 18 varieties in the single replication observation block. In the “Roma” trial there are 6 replicated varieties and another 6 lines in observational plots. The varieties represent selections from 11 seed companies.

The trial was transplanted on June 16, 2003, and the field variety around the trial is Bobcat. Some at-planting irrigation problems and extreme heat caused a loss of stand in a few of the round variety plots. However, the trial is progressing and should be close to maturity by the field day date and some interesting observations and comparisons can be made. So, take some time from your busy day and stop by the trial and visit.

The trials are being conducted in joint cooperation with Jan Mickler,
Vegetable Crops Farm Advisor, in Stanislaus County.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Bob Mullen'.

Bob Mullen
UCCE Farm Advisor
San Joaquin County

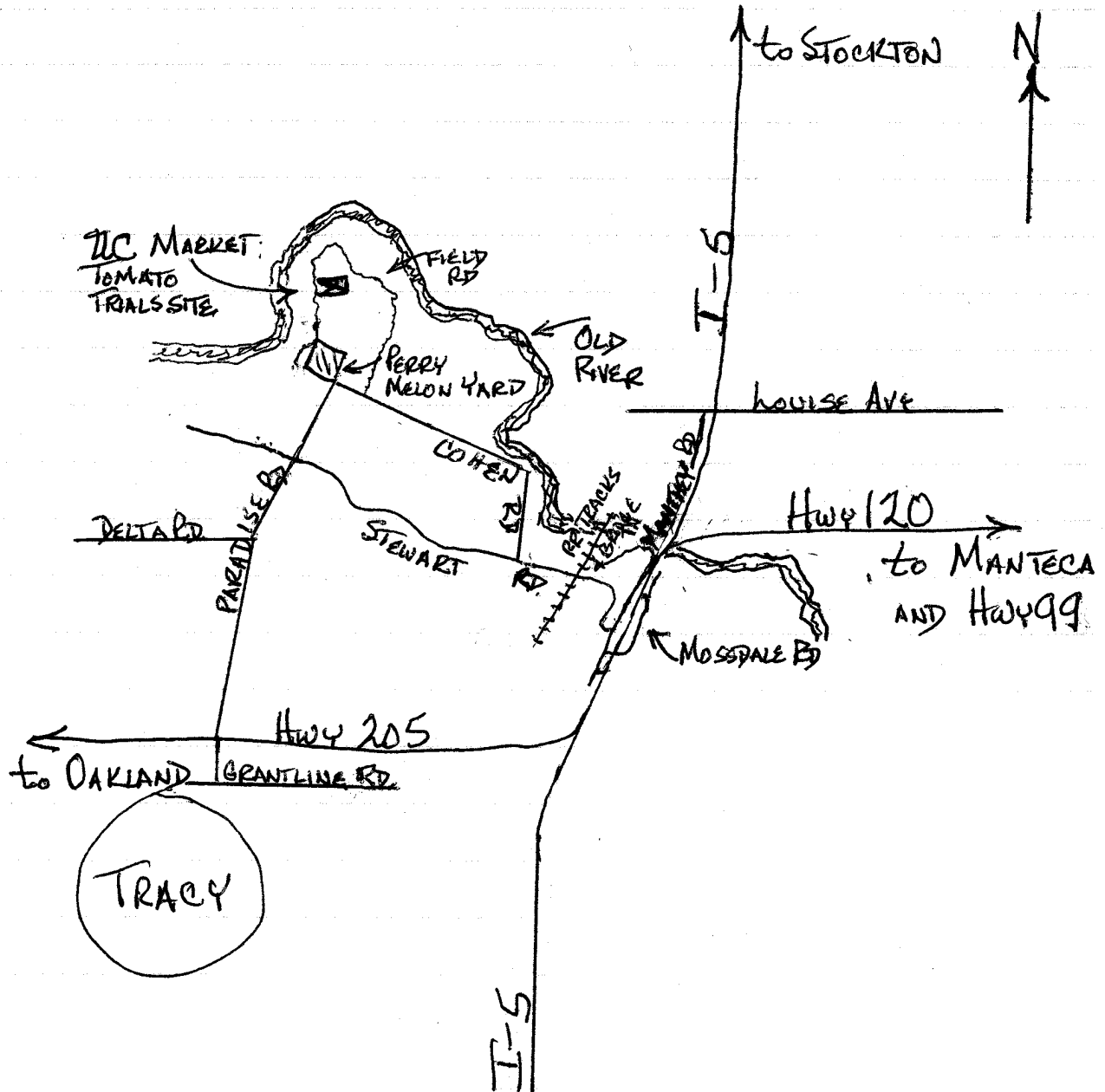
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MAP to the FRESH MARKET TOMATO VARIETY TRIALS :



Coming **from the north** on I-5 get off at Manthey Road (there's a fruit stand there) and go north, paralleling I-5, to Stewart Road and turn left

If coming **from the south** on I-5, take Mossdale Road south and then turn west, under I-5, to Manthey Road and go north to Stewart Road turn

...(if you cross Old River while on Manthey Road, you've gone too far). Stay on Stewart Road over the railroad tracks until you come to Cohen Road. Do not continue on Stewart Road across to Paradise Road, as the road is extremely rough and **CLOSED TO TRAFFIC**. Stay on Cohen Road until you come to the Perry melon yard, go through the yard and take the field road to the north that hugs Old River to the trial.

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MID SEASON PROCESSING TOMATO
VARIETY TRIAL FIELD DAY

10:00 a.m. – Friday, September 19, 2003

The trial is located at Cox & Perez Farms (Bill and Chuck Cox) off Grayson Road just east of Hwy 33 in Westley, California. (See map for details). The trial contains 18 varieties in the replicated trial block and another 20 lines in the single replication observation block. The trial was direct-seeded, single row 5 ft. beds on April 23, 2003. The field variety is Hypeel 65 and the first furrow irrigation was not applied for 2+ weeks after seeding. The trial is approaching maturity and some interesting comparisons can be made. There will also be an update on current weed and garden centipede control research efforts. So take a few minutes from your busy day and look at the trial.

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