AGRICULTURAL CONSERVATION COMMITTEE
Chair: Vacant
Vice Chair: Jim Leach (MN)

Wednesday, September 12, 2018
8:00 am to 12:00 pm

108th AFWA Annual Meeting
Room: TBD / Tampa Marriott Waterside Hotel & Marina / Tampa, FL

Agenda

8:00 am

- Call to Order/Review Agenda/Introductions – Leach, All

- Approval of Minutes for the March 2018 Meeting – Leach

- Invited Speaker followed by Q&A: Private Land Partnerships and Conservation Efforts in Florida – Jennifer Goff (FL FWC)

- Monarch Conservation Updates:
  - Western Monarch Conservation efforts – State and federal perspectives – TBD

- Discussion: New grant guidance for VPA-HIP – what’s changed; what are the impacts? – All

- 2018 Farm Bill update and discussion – Schaeffer, Schmidt, Pedersen, Maggos, All
  - Status of the 2018 Farm Bill
  - AFWA priorities
  - Partner coalitions, priorities and updates

10:00 am Health break

10:15 am

- 2018 Farm Bill discussion (cont.)

- Federal agency updates (10 min each) – FSA, NRCS, USFS, USGS, USFWS

- Working Group reports (5-10 min each)
  - CRP – Todd Bogenschutz, Sal Palazzolo
  - Forestry – Lisa Potter, Mark Jones
  - EQIP/CSP – Matt Smith, Jessica McGuire
  - Easements – Catherine Wightman, David Breithaupt

- Other business

- Adjourn – Leach