



AGRICULTURAL CONSERVATION COMMITTEE

Chair: Jim Douglas (NE)

Vice Chair: vacant

Friday, March 8, 2019

8:00 am to 12:00 pm

84th North American Wildlife and Natural Resources Conference

Sheraton Denver Downtown Hotel, Denver, CO

Room: TBD

Agenda

- 8:00am Call to Order/Review Agenda/Introductions – *Jim Douglas, All*
- 8:10am Minutes from the 2018 AFWA Annual meeting, Tampa, FL – *All*
- 8:15am Frontiers in Agriculture Speaker Series – *Ethan Lane, National Cattlemen's Beef Association, “Wildlife Conservation Efforts, Initiatives, Priorities, & Opportunities”*
- 8:45am Roundtable Discussion on Status of 2018 Farm Bill Implementation – *All*
- Sharing information on the status of regulations (*NRCS/FSA/USFS*)
 - Partner perspectives: opportunities and challenges (*PF/QF, NWTF, NWF, DU, TRCP, others*)
 - Coalition activities and opportunities (*TRCP, Forests in the Farm Bill*)
 - Sharing of state perspectives
 - Identification of actions, assistance, and next steps needed with timelines
- 9:20am Presentation and discussion on VPAHIP economic report, July 2018 – *Rob Southwick, Southwick Associates (invited)*
- 9:45am RCPP Review and Discussion, Steve Riley, Oaks and Prairies JV
- 10:00am Health break
- 10:15am Federal agency updates – *FWS, NRCS, USFS, Others*
- 10:45am MAFWA Monarch Conservation Update– *Ed Boggess and Claire Beck, MAFWA*
- 10:55am Bioenergy Roundtable: What’s happening in your state? What are your needs associated with bioenergy? – *Eric Zach, Lisa Potter, Bioenergy WG co-chairs*

- 11:10am Public Access & VPAHIP: states' update and status -- *All*
- 11:25am Working Group reports (5-10 min each)
- CRP – *Todd Bogenschutz, Sal Palazzolo*
 - Forestry – *Lisa Potter, Mark Jones*
 - Easements – *Catherine Wightman, David Breithaupt*
 - EQIP/CSP – *Matt Smith, Chuck Kowaleski*
- 11:50am Other business, actions identified – *Jim Douglas, All*
- 12:00pm Adjourn – *Jim Douglas, Chair*