2015-2017 Fruit and Vegetable Industry Advisory Committee Meeting

Date: Wednesday, April 6, 2016
Location: Hyatt Regency Crystal City Hotel
Arlington, Virginia

AGENDA

Registration and Check-in for members and observers

8:30 a.m. Meeting Convenes
Chairman’s Roll Call
- Beth Knorr, Vice Chair

8:40 a.m. Presentation #1
New Farmer Recruitment, Incentives and Advocacy—New and Beginning Farmers Initiative
- Lilia McFarland, Coordinator

8:50 a.m. Administrative
Introduction and Welcome
- Charles Parrott, Deputy Administrator, Specialty Crops Program
- Elanor Starmer, Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service

Previous FVIAC Meeting Minutes Review and Approval*
- Beth Knorr, Vice Chair

Recommendations Update
- Chuck Parrott

9:30 a.m. Presentation #2
Food Safety/FSMA – Produce Safety Regulation/Education Initiatives: NASDA/FDA Education Implementation Strategy (PSR); “On Farm Readiness Review” update and timeline; Audit Fee/User Fee Restructuring Update; GFSI update
- Leanne Skelton, Ken Petersen, Donna Burke-Fonda, Chris Purdy, AMS Specialty Crops Program

10:30 a.m. Recess #1
15 minutes

10:45 a.m. Presentation #3
New Farmer Advocacy, Mentoring, and Transition
Gary Matteson, Vice President - Young, Beginning, Small Farmer Programs and Outreach, Farm Credit Council

11:15 a.m. Presentation #4
USDA National Plant Diagnostic Network (NPDN)
- Martin Draper, PhD, National Program Leader
  Plant Pathology and Integrated Pest Management, NIFA
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12:15 p.m. Lunch Recess  1 - 1 ½ hour(s)

1:30 p.m. Reconvene  Chairman’s Call to Order
-Beth Knorr, Vice Chair

1:40 p.m. Presentation #5  Introduction of new Specialty Crops Program PACA Director
AMS Food Waste Initiative / PACA – Grower Licensing Awareness
-Judy Rudman, Director, PACA Division

Food Waste, Food Desert
- Amy Bachman, Director of Procurement and Sustainability
DC Central Kitchen

2:15 p.m. Presentation #6  Broadband Connectivity and Internet Options for Rural Growers,
Farmers Markets/Retailers, and EBT Compatibility
-Laurel Leverriere, USDA Rural Development
- Representative - USDA Food and Nutrition Service *tbd*

2:45 p.m. Recess #2  15 minutes

3:00 p.m. Working Group Meetings  (1 hour)

4:00 p.m. Working Group Reports  New Farmers Advocacy and Education
- Bob Nolan, chair
- Diane Smith, vice chair
Proposed Recommendation and Discussion

Food Waste and Food Desert
- Tiffany Boaldin, chair
Proposed Recommendation and Discussion

5:00 p.m. Observer Comments

5:15 p.m. Adjourn for the Day
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Date: Thursday, April 7, 2016
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AGENDA

Registration of Committee Members and Observers

8:30 a.m. Call to Order Roll Call/Review/Amend Agenda as needed
           - Chair/Vice Chair

8:40 a.m. Presentation Market News – Program and Service Enhancements
           - Terry Long, Director, SCP Market News Division

9:15 a.m. Presentation National Agricultural Statistical Service and Economic Research
           Service on specialty crops industry survey
           - Suzanne Thornsbury, Economic Research Service
           - Nathanial Warenski, National Agricultural Statistics Service

9:30 a.m. Work Groups
           Reports
           Food Safety/FSMA
           - Cathy Burns, chair
           - Lorri Koster, vice chair
           Discussion

           Broadband Connectivity
           - Beth Knorr, vice chair
           Discussion

           Grants Funding and Research
           - Jin Ju Wilder, chair
           - Rick Kress, vice chair
           Discussion

10:45 a.m. Observer
           Comments
           IR-4 Representative
           – Laura Phelps, Mushroom Institute

11:00 a.m. Administrative
           FVIAC Call for Nominations
           - Qualifications and Review
           - Outreach Opportunities

           Working Group Discussion and Meeting Items
           - Teleconference Scheduling for Working Groups
           - Subject Matter Expert requests for WG/Full Committee meetings

11:45 a.m. Next Meeting October 4-6, October 11-13 (Fall 2016)

12:00 p.m. Miscellaneous Business

12:10 p.m. Meeting Adjournment