

2022 Southern Region Commodity Conference
 Sunday, June 12, 2022 – Wednesday, June 15, 2022
 Embassy Suites NWA
 Rogers, Arkansas

Sunday, June 12, 2022

2:00 pm – 5:30 pm	Registration	Commerce Foyer
5:30 pm – 7:30 pm	Opening Session	Commerce Ballroom
5:30 pm – 6:00 pm	Reception	
6:00 pm – 7:00 pm	Dinner	
7:00 pm – 7:45 pm	Welcome (Contact – Evan Teague – Confirmed)	Dan Wright Secretary/Treasurer Arkansas Farm Bureau Federation
	(Contact – Evan Teague – Confirmed)	Dr. Delia Haak Representative, District 91 Arkansas House of Representatives
	Conference Overview	Evan Teague, P.E. Vice President, Commodity & Regulatory Affairs Arkansas Farm Bureau Federation
8:00 pm - ???pm	Hospitality Suite	Presidential Suite, Room 928

Monday, June 13, 2022

7:00 am – 8:00 am	Breakfast	Embassy Suites Lobby
7:30 am – 1:00 pm	Registration	Commerce Foyer
8:00 am – 11:30 am	General Session	Commerce Ballroom
8:00 am – 8:30 am	Opening Comments (Contact – Evan Teague – Tentative)	Xxxxxx Xxxxxx Vice President for Agriculture University of Arkansas Division of Agriculture

8:30 am – 9:00 am	Resiliency and Risk in Global Supply Chains (Contact – Evan Teague – Confirmed)	Marty Matlock Senior Advisor to Secretary Vilsack USDA - Food Systems Resiliency
9:00 am – 9:30 am	Sustainability & Poultry Production (Contact – Evan Teague – Confirmed)	Jamie Burr Director, Environmental Technical Services Tyson Foods
9:30 pm – 10:15 pm	Arkansas Discovery Farms Program (Contact – Evan Teague – Confirmed)	Dr. Mike Daniels Director Arkansas Discovery Farms Program
10:15 am - 10:30 am	Break	Commerce Foyer
10:30 am – 11:30 am	State Reports: Alabama, Florida, Georgia, & Kentucky (Note: 15 minutes per state.)	
11:30 a.m.	Load Buses for Tours	
11:45 am – 1:00 pm	Lunch @ the IRWP Pavilion: Ag in an Urbanizing Watershed (Contact – John Bailey – Confirmed)	Leif Kindberg Executive Director Illinois River Watershed Partnership
1:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.	Briefings/Tour at Tyson Foods World Headquarters (Contact – Mark Lambert – Tentative)	
	<i>Product R&D: Tyson Foods Discovery Center</i> Allison Reed Customer Experience Manager Tyson Foods	<i>Commodity Purchasing Program</i> Maggie Jo Hansen Associate Director Tyson Foods
3:30 pm – 4:30 pm	UofA Rice Processing Program (Contact – Brandy Carroll – Confirmed)	Dr. Nathan Slaton Assistant Dir., Arkansas Ag. Exp. Station University of Arkansas Division of Agriculture
4:45 pm – 5:30 pm	UofA Adohi Residence Hall: Cross-Laminated Timber (Contact – Evan Teague – Confirmed)	Dr. Peter MacKeith Dean Fay Jones School of Architecture
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5:45 pm – 8:00 pm	Reception & Dinner: Don W. Reynolds Razorback Stadium (Contact – Evan Teague – Confirmed)	
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8:00 pm – 8:30 pm Return to Hotel

8:30 pm - ??? pm **Hospitality Suite**

Presidential Suite, Room 928

Tuesday, June 14, 2022

7:00 am – 8:00 am **Breakfast** **Embassy Suites Lobby**

8:00 am – 11:30 am **General Session** **Commerce Ballroom**

8:00 am – 8:30 am June is Blackberry Month in Arkansas!
(Contact – John McMinn - Confirmed) Dr. John Clark
Distinguished Professor of Horticulture
University of Arkansas Bumpers College

x:xx am – x:xx am Act 521 of 2021: Arkansas Milk Stabilization Board
(Contact – Evan Teague – Status?) Xxxxxx Xxxxxx
TBD
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x:xx am – x:xx am To Be Determined Eugene Young
(Contact – Mark Lambert – Tentative) Director, Delta Regional Office
USDA-NASS

9:30 am – 10:00 am The Legal Landscape of Agriculture Harrison Pittman
(Contact – Evan Teague – Confirmed) Center Director
National Agricultural Law Center

10:00 am - 10:15 am **Break** **Commerce Foyer**

10:15 am – 11:15 am State Reports: Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, & North Carolina
(**Note:** 15 minutes per state.)

11:30 pm Depart Hotel for Afternoon Activities

Noon – 5:00 pm Afternoon Activities

Golf

Lost Springs Golf & Athletic Club
3024 N 22nd St
Rogers, AR 72756
(479) 631-9988

Afternoon Free

Crystal Bridges Museum & Scott Family Amazeum
Walton’s 5-10: The Walmart Museum
Northwest Arkansas Bike Trail System
Illinois River Kayak Park
Climb Bentonville
TopGolf
Distilleries: Core Brewing, Fox Trail, & Ozark Beer
Hobbs State Park & War Eagle Mill
Pea Ridge State Park (Civil War Site)

5:00 pm – 8:00 pm Dinner on Your Own

8:00 pm – ???? pm **Hospitality Suite**

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Wednesday, June 15, 2022

7:00 am – 8:00 am **Breakfast**

Embassy Suites Lobby

8:00 am – 11:15 am **2023 Farm Bill Panel Discussion**

Commerce Ballroom

8:00 am – 9:00 am (Contact – Evan Teague – Tentative)

Dr. John Newton
Chief Economist
Sen. John Boozman

(Contact – Evan Teague – Confirmed)

Dr. John Anderson
Dept. Head, Ag Economics & Agribusiness
UofA College of Agriculture

(Contact – Evan Teague – Confirmed)

Veronica Nigh
Economist
American Farm Bureau Federation

(Contact – Evan Teague – Confirmed)

Andrew Walmsley
Sr. Director Congressional Affairs
American Farm Bureau Federation

9:00 am - 9:30 am **Break**

Commerce Foyer

9:30 am – 10:45 am State Reports: Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia, and Texas
(Note: 15 minutes per state.)

11:00 am Adjourn
