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NEVADA AGRICULTURE OUTLOOK

Agriculture is a key sector to the state’s economy as well as for many of Nevada’s rural economies. How will international and national economic trends impact Nevada’s agricultural prices and financial viability of the state’s farms as well as potential impacts of sage grouse designation? Lastly, what is the forecast of home-grown foods in Nevada? These and other issues will be discussed at the Nevada Agricultural Outlook.

AGENDA

9:00 a.m.
Registration and Welcome (Reno Location)
Tom Harris, Professor/Extension Specialist and Director of UNR Center for Economic Development, University of Nevada, Reno

9:15 a.m.
Trends in International and National Economy (Las Vegas Location)
Stephen Miller, Professor, Department of Las Vegas and Director of Center for Business and Economic Research, University of Nevada, Las Vegas

10:15 a.m.
Trends in Agricultural Prices (Reno Location)
Mike Helmar, Research Analyst and Agriculture Economist, UNR Center for Economic Development

11:00 Break

11:15 a.m.
Representative Ranches in Nevada (Reno Location)
George Knapek, Program Director of Representative Farms, Department of Agricultural Economics, Agricultural and Food Policy Center, Texas A&M University

12:00 p.m. Lunch provided (at meeting locations only)

12:30 p.m.
Impacts to Representative Ranches from Sage Grouse Land Withdrawals (Reno Location)
Brian Herbst, Research Associate, Department of Agricultural Economics and the Agricultural and Food Policy Center Texas A&M University

1:00 p.m.
Regional Impacts of Agriculture and Withdrawal (Reno Location)
Tom Harris, Professor/Extension Specialist and Director of UNR Center for Economic Development, University of Nevada, Reno

2:00 p.m.
Panel Discussion on Local Agriculture (Las Vegas Location)
Holly Gutknecht, Extension Educator, University of Nevada Cooperative Extension, Lincoln County Office and Carol Bishop, Extension Educator, University of Nevada Cooperative Extension, Northeast Clark County Office

3:00 p.m.
Evaluations and Wrap Up

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