



Wisconsin AgriFuture Summit
April 8 & 9, 2015
Madison, WI

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 8, 2015 – SHERATON HOTEL

- 5:00 p.m. **REGISTRATION AND RECEPTION**
- 5:45 p.m. Dinner
- 6:30 p.m. Program
- Summit Opening – Bill Oemichen, President and CEO, Cooperative Network
 - Education Panel
 - Tony Evers, State Superintendent, Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction
 - Morna Foy, President, Wisconsin Technical College System
 - Dean Kate VandenBosch, UW-Madison, CALS
 - Dean Rick Klemme, UW Extension
 - Dean Dale Gallenberg, UW-River Falls, CAFES
- 8:30 p.m. **ADJOURN**

THURSDAY, APRIL 9, 2015 – ALLIANT ENERGY CENTER

- 8:00 a.m. **REGISTRATION AND CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST**
- 8:45 a.m. Opening Comments
- 8: 50 a.m. Welcome - Reggie Newson, Secretary, Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development
- 9:00 a.m. “Get Real and Get a Plan (It’s not the 20th Century any Longer)” - James Golembeski, Executive Director, Bay Area Workforce Development Board
- 9:45 a.m. Wisconsin’s Future Workforce - Dennis Winters, Chief Economist, Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development
- 10:30 a.m. Industry Panel
- Jim Holte, President, Wisconsin Farm Bureau
 - Paul Palmby, Executive Vice President and COO, Seneca Foods Corporation
 - Karri Neils, EVP – Human Resources, Sargento Foods, Inc.
 - David Moyer, President, Wisconsin Green Industry Federation and President, Wisconsin Nursery and Landscape Association
 - Christopher Salm, CEO, Salm Partners LLC
 - Jim Sommer, President, Midwest Equipment Dealers Association and Service Motor Company
- 12:00 p.m. **LUNCH**
- 12:30 p.m. Keynote Address - Ben Brancel, Secretary, WDATCP
- 1:00 p.m. Discussion Session #1: What is the future of Wisconsin agriculture?
- 2:00 p.m. Discussion Session #2: What are the challenges and opportunities ahead?
- 2:45 p.m. **BREAK**
- 3:00 p.m. Discussion Session #3: How do we ensure we have the workforce ready to meet those challenges and opportunities?
- 3:45 p.m. General Session – Reporting Priorities
- 4:30 p.m. **ADJOURN**