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**6<sup>th</sup> Annual NCAE Ag Labor Forum Registration Opens**

(Washington, D.C.) The National Council of Agricultural Employers (NCAE) announces that registration is now open for the Ag Labor Forum December 4-6, 2019, being held at the beautiful M Resort just outside Las Vegas, Nevada.

“This year’s event is shaping up to be our best Forum yet,” noted Michael Marsh, NCAE’s President and CEO. “We have stimulating speakers holding forth on timely topics for agricultural employers where attendees can receive continuing education credit from the Society for Human Resource Management (SHRM).”

Attorneys, academics, agents as well as representatives from federal agencies and foreign governments will be on hand to dive headfirst into labor issues facing US agricultural employers. Recent litigation, rulemaking changes and reports on cutting edge legislation impacting farm and ranch operations will be highlighted, as will compliance issues relative to ag employment.

“Back, due to tremendous popular demand, is the NCAE’s Advocacy Bootcamp where “recruits” learn to master the fundamentals of political advocacy in making their case to legislators, regulators and the public,” said Marsh. “The small group setting makes for a fun and

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stimulating dialogue as Bootcamp “recruits” learn how to effectively message positions. The Bootcamp starts the day before the Forum on December 3<sup>rd</sup> and is a sellout event as space is limited. Be sure and register early and avoid the waitlist.”

Also featured this year are concurrent sessions highlighting the H-2A Temporary Agricultural Visa Program. H-2A 101 will provide the basics of navigating the system and is attuned more to first time users of the program. H-2A 102 is targeted at attendees already using the program.

And, just for fun, the evening of the Forum’s first day will be topped off with a winetasting reception featuring premium Washington wines from Mercer Ranches. The winemaker has paired the wines with delicious hors d’oeuvres for attendees to enjoy.

“With all of the activity in the agricultural labor space this year ranging from State legislation to Federal litigation, new rules and systems for recruiting and hiring workers, this year’s Forum is an event not to miss,” stated Marsh.

To check out the tentative agenda and to register for this exciting event go to [ncaeonline.org/events](http://ncaeonline.org/events).

NCAE is the national trade association focusing on agricultural labor issues from the employer’s viewpoint.

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