

2022 AG EMPLOYER LABOR FORUM TENTATIVE AGENDA

November 30-December 2

Wednesday, November 30		
Time	Торіс	Speaker
7:00 AM	Breakfast	
8:00 AM	Invocation	• Fred Leitz, Leitz Farms (Invited)
8:05 AM	Welcome and Sponsor Thank You	 Michael Lalich, President, Low Country Labor
8:10 AM	Nevada State FFA	Nevada State FFA Officers
8:30 AM	Open of Forum	 Michael Marsh, President & CEO, National Council of Agricultural Employers
9:00 AM	Federal Legislative Update	 Sara Neagu-Reed, AmericanHort John Hollay, International Fresh Produce Association
9:45 AM	Break	
10:00 AM	Trends in Ag Labor	 Phil Martin, Professor Emeritus of Agricultural and Resource Economic, UC-Davis
10:30 AM	NCAE's Labor Availability Survey	 Zach Rutledge, Assistant Professor, Michigan State University
11:00 AM	Unpacking the New H- 2A Program Rule	• Shawn Packer, <i>JPH Law</i>
12:00 PM		Lunch

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1:00 PM	Canaries in the Coal Mine	 Moderator: Ryan Ayres, Director of Human Resources, FirstFruits Farms Diane Butler, Partner, Davis Wright Tremaine Jason Resnick, Vice President and General Counsel, Western Growers Maureen Torrey, Vice President, Torrey Farms
2:00 PM	Employee Benefits: Are You in Compliance	• Lorie Maring, FisherPhillips
2:50 PM		Break
3:00 PM	Fair Labor Standards Act	• TBD
4:00 PM	Member Vendor Spotlight on Compliance	Michael Gurguis, Chief Executive Officer, SESO
4:30 PM	Happy Half Hour	 Michael Lalich, President, Low Country Labor Lynn Jacquez, Managing Partner and Principal, CJ Lake Michael Marsh, President & CEO, National Council of Agricultural Employers
5:00 PM		Break
5:15 PM	Wine Reception Featuring the Wonderful Wines Provided by Mercer Ranches	
7:00 PM	Dinner on Your Own	



Thursday, December 1		
Time	Торіс	Speaker
7:00 AM	Breakfast	
8:00 AM	What to Expect from the New Adverse Wage Rate Rule	 Chris Schulte, Partner, Smith, Gambrell, & Russell Shawn Packer, Principal, JPH Law Michael Marsh, President & CEO, National Council of Agricultural Employers
9:00 AM	MSPA Still Matters	 Rebecca Hause-Schultz, Of Counsel, FisherPhillips
9:50 AM	Break	
10:00 AM	Hot Topics in Ag Labor Safety	 Jess McCluer, Vice President, National Grain and Feed Association C. Bryan Little, Chief Operations Officer, Farm Employers Labor Service
11:00 AM	Washington's Prevailing Wage Disaster: Could This Be Headed Your Way?	 Sarah Wixson, Stokes Law (Invited) Brendan Monahan, Stokes Law (Invited)
11:40 AM	Message from Guatemala	 Honorable Rafael Eugenio Rodríguez Pellecer, Minister of Labor and Social Welfare, Guatemala
12:00 PM		Lunch



Thursday, December 1

Break Out Sessions

Time	Topic / Speaker	Topic / Speaker
1:00 PM	Wage and Hour Ins and Outs / Rebecca Hause- Schultz, Of Counsel, FisherPhillips	Recruiting, Retaining Top Staff and Developing Managers / Kathy Peterson, PeopleWorks
2:00 PM	Protecting Your Business from Union Activists / Wendel Hall, Principal, Hall Law Office	BALCA Recap / Chris Schulte, <i>Partner,</i> Smith, Gambrell, & Russell
2:55 PM	Break	
3:05 PM	Risks and Rewards of Doing In-House Recruitment / Megan Wright	H-2ALCs: Areas of Intended Employment and Unintended Consequences / Jamie Fussell, Florida Fruit and Vegetable Association
4:05 PM	Ethical Recruitment of Foreign Workers / Kim Geronimo, LaMP	H-2A Visa Processing at the Consulate / Dale Lim, Department of State

Dinner on Your Own



Friday, December 2

Time	Topic	Speaker
8:00 AM	Equal Employment Opportunity Commission	Keith Sonderling, Commissioner
9:00 AM	DOL Office of Foreign Labor Certification	 Brian Pasternak, Administrator Shane Barbour, CNPC Center Director
10:00 AM		Break
10:15 AM	DOL Wage and Hour Division	Jessica Looman, Acting Administrator
11:15 AM	Department of State	 Dale Lim, Visa Policy Analyst Rachel Gemayel, U.S. Embassy - Honduras Patrick Neeley, U.S. Embassy - Peru Michael Garcia, U.S. Embassy - El Salvador Kristina Tonn, U.S. Embassy - Guatemala

Closing

