

Spring Membership Meeting Agenda

Location: Marana Stockyards, Marana, Arizona

13901 N Kirbey Hughes Rd., Marana, Arizona, 85653

Date: Friday May 17, 2024 – 9:00

Registration, Coffee & Donuts – 8:30

**THANK YOU TO OUR SPONSORS – ANIMAL HEALTH EXPRESS AND RANCHBOT!!!!**

**9:00 Pledge of Allegiance & Invocation**

**9:05 – 9:20 CBD/Coronado National Forest Lawsuit Update**

Dan Bell, Board Member

**9:20 – 9:40 Water Issues & Legislation Concerning Arizona’s Farmers & Ranchers, Other AZFB Updates**

Stefanie Smallhouse, State President, Arizona Farm Bureau

**9:40 – 10:00 Arizona Association of Conservation Districts – ConserveAZ Portal, Current Projects**

Deborrah Smith, Executive Director, Arizona Association of Conservation Districts

**10:00 – 10:20 U of A Food Products and Safety Lab – Update on Renovations & Expansion**

Javier Valenzuela, Manager, FPSL

Dr. Scott Merrell, Director, Animal and Comparative Biomedical Science

Duane Wulf, Director, Arid Lands Animal Production Initiative

**10:30 – 10:45 Break**

**10:45 – 11:00** **Arizona Department of Agriculture – Update on Current AZDA Activities**

Paul Brierley, Director, Arizona Department of Agriculture

Jeff Grant, Deputy Director, Arizona Department of Agriculture

Robert Smook, Acting Associate Director, Arizona Department of Agriculture

**11:00 – 11:15 Arizona Beef Council**

Lauren Scheller Maehling, Executive Director, AZ Beef Council

**11:15 – 12:00 Lunch**

**12:00 – 12:15 Arizona Farm and Ranch Group**

Patrick Bray, Executive Vice President

**12:15 – 12:30 Arizona Cattle Growers Association**

**12:30 – 12:45 Campaign Address – Janet Wittenbraker, Pima County Board of Supervisors, District 3.**

(possibly also Sherrif Lamb, Ross Teeple)

**1:00 – Closing Remarks and Adjourn**