



2012 Winter Policy Conference Agenda

February 5th – 9th | Hyatt Regency Hotel | Reston, Virginia

Sunday, February 5th

- 3:00 – 4:00 **NASDA Board Executive Session** – *Lake Thoreau*
 - *Board Members Only*
- 4:00 – 6:00 **NASDA Board of Directors Meeting** – *Lake Thoreau*
- 6:00 – 7:30 **Welcome Reception and Super Bowl Watch** – *Regency Ballroom*
 - *Televisions will be available for game-watching*
- 7:30 **Dinner on-your-own**

Monday, February 6th

- 6:30 – 8:00 **Buffet Breakfast** – *Regency Ballroom*
- 8:00 – 10:30 **Opening Plenary Session** – *Grand Ballroom E-G*
 - **Secretary Bill Northey**, *NASDA President*
 - **Jeff Beach**, *COSDA President and Public Information Officer, New Jersey Department of Agriculture*
 - **Paul Friday**, *Deputy Assistant Chief of Staff and Director of Government and External Relations, G5, Marine Corps Installation East*
 - **Dr. Gale Buchanan**, *Dean and Director Emeritus, University of Georgia College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences*
 - **Teresa Scanlan**, *Miss America 2011, Miss Nebraska 2010*
 - **Secretary Tom Vilsack**, *USDA*
- 10:45 – 11:45 **Regional Association / State-Regional Trade Group Meetings**
 - *MASDA, Food Export Midwest – Lake Fairfax*
 - *NEASDA, Food Export Northeast – Lake Audubon*
 - *SASDA, SUSTA – Lake Anne*
 - *WASDA, WUSATA – Lake Thoreau*
- 12:00 – 1:00 **Sit-Down Lunch** – *Regency Ballroom*
- 1:00 – 3:00 **Regional Association / State-Regional Trade Group Meetings**
 - *MASDA, Food Export Midwest – Lake Fairfax*
 - *NEASDA, Food Export Northeast – Lake Audubon*
 - *SASDA, SUSTA – Lake Anne*
 - *WASDA, WUSATA – Lake Thoreau*
- 3:15 – 5:45 **Marketing and International Trade Committee Meeting** – *Grand Ballroom E-G*
- 6:00 **Dinner on-your-own**

* *NASS representatives will be in the Robert Simon Board Room to film public service announcements for the 2012 Agriculture Census. NASDA members may sign up for a time at their discretion.*

Tuesday, February 7th

- 6:30 – 8:00 **Breakfast** – *Regency Ballroom*
- 8:00 – 10:00 **Rural Development and Financial Services Committee Meeting** – *Grand Ballroom E-G*
- 10:15 – 12:15 **Food Regulation and Nutrition Committee Meeting** – *Grand Ballroom E-G*



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- 12:30 – 1:30 **Sit-down Lunch** – *Regency Ballroom*
- 1:45 – 4:45 **Animal and Plant Industries Committee Meeting** – *Grand Ballroom E-G*
- 5:00 – 6:00 **Interstate Pest Control Compact (IPCC)** – *Grand Ballroom E-G*
- 5:00 – 6:00 **Legal Counsels of the State Departments of Agriculture Meeting** – *Lake Thoreau*
- 6:00 – 7:30 **NASDA Conference Attendees Reception** – *Regency Ballroom*
- 7:30 **Dinner on-your-own** (*Attendees Reception will provide enough food for a meal; however, participants may leave as they choose for dinner on-your-own*)

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Wednesday, February 8th

- 6:30 – 8:00 **Breakfast** – *Regency Ballroom*
 - *Special Members- Only Meeting: Larry Elworth, EPA Agricultural Counselor, will meet with NASDA members (or their proxies) during breakfast in the Lake Thoreau room at 7:00 a.m. (Pick up your breakfast in the Regency Ballroom.)*
- 8:00 – 10:30 **Natural Resources, Pesticide Management and Environment Committee Meeting** – *Grand Ballroom E-G*
- 10:45 – 11:45 **Bus ride from hotel to U.S. Capitol Complex**
- 12:00 – 2:00 **NASDA Capitol Hill Lunch Reception** – *Capitol Visitor Center Room SVC 208-209*
 - *Congressional representatives and staff member invited to attend*
 - *Congressional representatives in attendance will have opportunity to speak briefly*
 - *Lunch will be served for all in attendance*
- 3:00 – 5:00 **Executive Branch Briefing** – *Eisenhower Executive Office Building*
 - *USDA Deputy Secretary Kathleen Merrigan to speak*
 - *Invited: President Obama, Vice President Biden, Chief of Staff Jack Lew, Special Adviser Valerie Jarrett, Secretary Hilda Solis, Secretary Ken Salazar, Secretary Ray LaHood*
- 5:30 – 7:30 **NASDA-USDA Evening Reception** – *USDA Whitten Building*
- 7:30 – 8:30 **Bus ride back to hotel**

* **You must submit your security clearance information for our visit to the Eisenhower Executive Office Building to Megan McDonald, 202.296.9680, by Friday, January 20, 2012.**

Thursday, February 9th

- 6:30 – 8:00 **Breakfast** – *Regency Ballroom*
- 8:00 – 12:00 **NASDA Business Meeting** – *Grand Ballroom E-G*
 - *Consideration of Action Items and Policy Amendments*
 - *Other business and discussion*
 - *Adjourn*