



United States Department of Agriculture

Council for Native American Farming and Ranching
Agenda

Designated Federal Officer (DFO): John Lowery

Monday, September 9th – Tuesday, September 10th, 2013

Business Meeting

L'Enfant Plaza Hotel

Main Floor Ballroom A

480 L'Enfant Plaza S.W.,

Washington, DC 20024

Monday, September 9, 2013 – Day 1
L’Enfant Plaza Hotel, Main Floor Ballroom A

Public Meeting

(8 AM -5 PM)

- Call to Order, Remarks from Chair and Roll Call: Mark Wadsworth 8:00
- Blessing: Michael Jandreau, CNAFR member 8:05
- Briefing on meeting materials and conduct: John Lowery, USDA 8:10
- Review of Agenda: Mark Wadsworth 8:15
- Dec. 2012 recommendations to Secretary Vilsack: Leslie Wheelock, USDA 8:20
Reply Letter
- NASS Follow up on CNAFR Recommendations 8:30
- NRCS Follow up on CNAFR Recommendations 8:45
- Office of Tribal Relations Update: Leslie Wheelock, USDA 9:00
- Keepseagle Update: Rick Gibson, USDA 9:30
- Break 10:00
- Farm Bill 101: Leslie Wheelock, USDA 10:15
- Farm Bill and Budget Update: Ann Wright, USDA 10:45
- Farm Service Agency and Rural Development: National Environmental
Protection Act (NEPA) Regulation Review 11:15
- Lunch 12:15 - 1:45
- Secretary of Agriculture Thomas J. Vilsack 2:00
- Federal Advisory Committees: Ashlee Johnson, USDA 2:45

(Continuation of Day 1)

- Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) Regional Tribal Conservation Advisory Committees 3:00
- **Public Comment Period (1 hour)** 3:30
- CNAFR Discussion and Wrap Up: New Chief of NRCS 4:30
- Adjorn 5:00

Tuesday, September 10, 2013 – Day 2
L’Enfant Plaza Hotel, Main Floor Ballroom A

Public Meeting
(8 AM to 5 PM)

- Call to Order, Remarks from Chairman and Roll Call: Mark Wadsworth 8:00
- Blessing: Gil Harrison 8:05
- Changes to By-Laws: Leslie Wheelock 8:10
- Strikeforce & Cultural Transformation & Youth: Max Finberg, USDA 8:30
- Agroforestry: Andy Mason, Forest Service 9:00
- Break 9:45
- **Public Comment Period (1 hour)** 10:00
- Intertribal Technical Network: Zach Ducheaux 11:00
- Lunch 11:30 - 1:00
- CNAFR Working Session 1:00
 - Goals and mission Statement
 - What has CNAFR accomplished and what are the future goals
- Break 3:00
- CNAFR Working Session 3:15
 - Discuss Past and Current Recommendations to be considered
 - New Recommendations to be made to Secretary Vilsack
- Next Dates for upcoming CNAFR meetings (2013-2014) 4:30
- Adjourn 5:00