# A Modern Infrastructure for Modern Agriculture

# **Agricultural Transportation Summit Conference**

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# **PROGRAM**

MONDAY, JULY 29		
Noon – 5 p.m.:	Soy Transportation Coalition Board Meeting (STC Board Only)	Madison Room
3 – 6:30 p.m.:	Conference Registration Open	Executive Forum Foyer
TUESDAY, JULY 30		
6:30 a.m. – 5 p.m.:	Conference Registration Open	Executive Forum Foyer
7 – 8 a.m.:	Continental Breakfast Available	Executive Forum Foyer
8 a.m.:	Conference Program Begins	<b>Executive Forum Room</b>

### "Welcome and Announcements"

**Mike Steenhoek**, Executive Director, Soy Transportation Coalition, Ankeny, Iowa **Randy Gordon**, President, National Grain and Feed Association, Washington, D.C.

# "Keynote Congressional Address"

Moderator: Tom Coyle, NGFA Executive Committee; General Manager, Nidera U.S. LLC, Chicago, Ill.

Speaker: The Hon. Rodney Davis, Member,

House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee and House Agriculture Committee, Washington, D.C.

# "Surface Transportation Panel"

Moderator: Patrick Knouff, Chairman, Soy Transportation Coalition, Minster, Ohio

Panelists: **David Ellis**, Manager, Infrastucture Investment Analysis Program and Research Scientist Texas A&M Transportation Institute, College Station, Texas

**John Runyan**, Executive Director, The Coalition for Transportation Productivity, Washington, D.C.

**Peter Vanderzee**, President and Chief Executive Officer, LifeSpan Technologies, Alpharetta, Ga.

**10:30 – 10:45 a.m.:** Break Executive Forum Foyer

10:45 a.m.: Conference Program Reconvenes

*Moderator:* **Paul Bertels**, Vice President, Production and Utilization National Corn Growers Association, St. Louis, Mo.

# "Maritime Issues Panel"

Panelists: Steve Stockton, Director of Civil Works, Army Corps of Engineers, Washington, D.C.

Mike Steenhoek, Executive Director, Soy Transportation Coalition, Ankeny, Iowa

**Rick Calhoun**, Senior Vice President, Grain and Oilseed Supply Chain, and President, Cargo Carriers Cargill Inc., Minneapolis, Minn.

**Gary Nelson**, Executive Director, Port of Grays Harbor, Aberdeen, Wash.

12:15 – 1:15 p.m.: Networking Buffet Lunch LaSalle B & C Rooms

1:15 p.m.: Conference Reconvenes

**Executive Forum Room** 

# "Update on Issues Before the Surface Transportation Board"

Moderator: **Sharon Clark**, NGFA Executive Committee; Vice President, Transportation

Perdue Agribusiness Inc., Salisbury, Md.

Speaker: Daniel Elliott, Chairman, Surface Transportation Board, Washington, D.C.

### "Rail Issues Panel"

*Moderator:* **Will Stafford**, Assistant Director of Government Affairs for Trade, Transportation and Commodity Markets, National Association of Wheat Growers, Washington, D.C.

Panelists: **Paul Hammes**, Vice President and General Manager, Agricultural Products Union Pacific, Omaha, Neb.

**Dan Mack**, Vice President, Transportation and Terminal Operations, CHS, St. Paul, Minn.

**Kendell Keith**, President, TRC Consulting Ltd., Alexandria, Va.

**3 – 3:15 p.m.:** Break Executive Forum Foyer

3:15 p.m.: Conference Program Reconvenes

Moderator: **Scott Gauslow**, Vice Chairman, Soy Transportation Coalition, Colfax, N.D.

"Status of Transportation Infrastructure Investment in Brazil"

Speaker: Marcelo Duarte Monteiro, Executive Director, APROSOJA, Mato Grosso, Brazil

### "Panel of State Department of Transportation Directors"

Moderator: **Ryan Pellett**, NGFA Executive Committee; President and Chief Executive Officer, J.D. Heiskell & Co., Elkhorn, Neb.

Panelists: **Paul Trombino**, Director, Iowa Department of Transportation, Ames, Iowa **Mark Gottlieb**, Secretary, Wisconsin Department of Transportation, Madison, Wis.

**Ann Schneider**, Secretary, Illinois Department of Transportation, Peoria, Ill.

**5 p.m.:** Conference Recesses

**5 – 6 p.m.:** Conference Reception LaSalle B & C Rooms

**Dinner on Your Own** 

# **WEDNESDAY, JULY 31**

**7:30 – 8:30 a.m.:** Breakfast Available Executive Forum Foyer

8:30 a.m.: Conference Reconvenes Executive Forum Room

# "Keynote Government Address"

Moderator: **Arthur L. Neal**, Deputy Administrator, Transportation and Marketing Program Agricultural Marketing Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Washington, D.C.

Speaker: The **Hon. Michael T. Scuse**, Acting Deputy Secretary of Agriculture U.S. Department of Agriculture, Washington, D.C.

# "Containerized Shipping Panel"

Moderator: Blake Hurst, President, Missouri Farm Bureau Federation, Westboro, Mo.

Panelists: **Bo DeLong**, Vice President of Grain, The DeLong Co. Inc., Clinton, Wis.

**Giancarlo Morgera**, Senior Vice President, Mediterranean Shipping Co., New York, N.Y. **Patrick Kinne**, General Director, International Marketing, BNSF Railway, Fort Worth, Texas

10:30 – 10:45 a.m.: Break Executive Forum Foyer

10:45 a.m.: Conference Program Reconvenes

# "Panama Canal Expansion"

Moderator: Gerry Hayden, Secretary-Treasurer, Soy Transportation Coalition, Calhoun, Ky.

Speaker: **Maria Eugenia Sanchez**, Senior Trade Specialist
Office of Executive Vice President for Planning and Business Development, Panama Canal Authority, Miami, Fla.

## "Closing Remarks"

**Mike Steenhoek**, Executive Director, Soy Transportation Coalition, Ankeny, Iowa **Randy Gordon**, President, National Grain and Feed Association, Washington, D.C.

Noon: Conference Adjourns

Noon – 3:30 p.m.: NGFA Rail Shipper/Receiver

Committee Meeting (Committee Members Only)

Madison Room