



2024 Idaho Farm and Ranch Conference Agenda

Thursday, January 4th

- ❖ 8:00 a.m. Registration
- ❖ 9:30 a.m. Welcome and Remarks
 - ◆ Chanel Tewalt, Director, Idaho State Department of Agriculture
- ❖ 9:45 a.m. General Session
 - ◆ Roping Resilience: The Cowboy Ninja's Journey to Overcoming Obstacles and Nurturing Wellness - Lance Pekus *Cowboy Ninja*

15-minute break

- ❖ 11:00 a.m. General Session
 - ◆ Introduction to Succession Planning - Dick Wittman, *Wittman Consulting*
- ❖ 12:00 p.m. Lunch (1 hour)
- ❖ 1:10 p.m. General Session
 - ◆ Candid and Compassionate Conversations about Suicide in the Farm and Ranch Community - Darla Tyler McSherry, *Ask in Earnest*

10-minute break

- ❖ 2:20 p.m. Breakout Sessions
 - ◆ Room 120A: Farmland Preservation 2:20 – 3:20
 - Mary Huff, *Owyhee County Planning and Zoning*
 - Braden Jensen, *Idaho Farm Bureau*
 - Craig Utter, *Payette Land Trust*
 - Moderator: David Anderson, *American Farmland Trust*
 - ◆ Room 120A: Leveraging the power of Leasing 3:30 – 5:00 pm
 - Sidnee Rose Hill, *Scythe & Spade*
 - ◆ Room 120B: Succession Planning In-Depth with Dick Wittman, *Wittman Consulting*
2:20 pm – 5:20 pm
 - ◆ Room 120C: Understanding your Numbers: Financial Reports as a Tool to run your Business - Marie Baker, *Idaho Small Business Development Center*
2:20 pm – 5:20 pm

40-minute break

- ❖ 6:00 p.m. Dinner and presentations
 - ◆ Music by John Hoff, *Rockin Cowboy Piano*
 - ◆ Lt. Governor Scott Bedke
 - ◆ When Stress is More than a Season - Lesley Kelly, *High Heels and Canola Fields*



Friday January 5th

❖ 7:00 a.m. **Breakfast**

❖ 8:00 a.m. **General Session**

- ◆ What's Driving Agriculture Now - Mike Pearson, *RFD-TV*

10-minute break

❖ 9:10 a.m. **Breakout Sessions**

- ◆ Room 120B: Emotional Wellbeing with Jason Haglund, *Haglund Counseling and Rural Policy Partners*.
- ◆ Room 120A: Resources for Idaho Veterans in Agriculture
 - Isaac Belden, *Veteran Entrepreneur Alliance*
 - Mindi Anderson *Idaho Veteran Chamber of Commerce*
 - Bob Wheeler, *Farmer Veteran Coalition, Idaho Chapter*
 - Connie May, *Farmer Veteran Coalition, Idaho Chapter*
 - Moderator, Erika White, *Idaho Preferred Program, Idaho State Dept of Agriculture*

- ◆ Room 120C: Intro to QuickBooks Online for Agriculture, Sidnee Rose Hill, *Scythe & Spade*

10-minute break

❖ 10:20 a.m. **Breakout Sessions**

- ◆ Room 120A: Farm Stress
 - Lance Hansen, *University of Idaho*
 - Darla Tyler McSherry, *Ask in Earnest*
 - Scott Fuhriman, *Fuhriman Farms*
 - Moderator Jason Haglund *Haglund Counseling and Rural Policy Partners*

- ◆ Room 120B: Fundamentals of Succession Planning with Todd Hallock

- ◆ Room 120C: Speaking up for Agriculture with Alan Clark, *Jefferson County Farm Bureau*

10-minute break

❖ 11:30 a.m. **General Session**

- ◆ Successfully Managing Multigenerational Ag Businesses in Idaho
 - Jessie Jarvis, *Of the West*
 - Shay Myers, *Owyhee Produce*
 - Duane Grant, *Grant 4D Farms*
 - Moderator: Sidnee Rose Hill, *Scythe & Spade*

❖ 12:30 p.m. **Closing Session**

- ◆ Caily Woods, Program Manager - *Farm and Ranch Center, ISDA*