

MICHIGAN COMMISSION OF AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT

Constitution Hall – Atrium Level
Con-Con Conference Room
525 West Allegan Street
Lansing, Michigan

AUGUST 8, 2012 TENTATIVE AGENDA

- 1:30 p.m. 1. **Call to Order and Roll Call**
2. **Approval of Agenda** (action item)
3. **Approval of Minutes** from the July 17, 2012, Commission of Agriculture and Rural Development Meeting (action item)
4. **Next Scheduled Meeting** (information only)
- September 12, 2012 – Location: Coopersville Farm Museum, Coopersville, Michigan
- 1:35 p.m. 5. **Commissioner Comments and Travel** (action item)
- 1:50 p.m. 6. **Director's Report**
7. **Director's Travel** – September 12-17 for National Association of Departments of Agriculture Meeting (Chief Deputy Director Wenk attending on behalf of Director) (action item)
- 2:10 p.m. 8. **Public Comment on Agenda Items**
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- 2:20 p.m. 9. **Farm Bill Update:** Joe Shultz and Brandon McBride, U.S. Senate Committee on Agriculture (information only)
- 3:00 p.m. 10. **Farm Bill Update:** Nathan Bowen, Director, Legislative and Regulatory Affairs, National Association of State Departments of Agriculture (joining via teleconference) (information only)
- 3:20 p.m. Break**
- 3:30 p.m. 11. **Present New Draft Michigan Agriculture Environmental Assurance Program (MAEAP) Standards:** Jim Johnson, Director, and Jan Wilford, MAEAP Manager, Environmental Stewardship Division. (information only)

3:50 p.m. 12. **Commissioner Issues**

4:00 p.m. 13. **Public Comment**

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4:15 p.m. 14. **Adjourn**