

## MICHIGAN COMMISSION OF AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT

GreenStone Farm Credit Services  
Corporate Offices, First Floor, Room 112  
3515 West Road  
East Lansing, MI 48823

**December 12, 2012**

TENTATIVE AGENDA – Revised 11/30/12

- 9:00 a.m.     1.     **Call to Order and Roll Call**
2.     **Approval of Agenda** (action item)
3.     **Approval of Minutes** from the October 31, 2012, Commission of Agriculture and Rural Development Meeting (action item)
4.     **Next Scheduled Meeting** (information only)
- January 16, 2013, Lansing Center
- 9:05 a.m.     5.     **Commissioner Comments and Travel** (action item)
- 9:20 a.m.     6.     **Director’s Report**
7.     **Director’s Travel** – no new out of state travel planned
- 9:35 a.m.     8.     **Public Comment on Agenda Items**  
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- 10:00 a.m.    9.     **Final Draft of the Generally Accepted Agriculture and Management Practices (GAAMPs):** Jim Johnson, Director, and Wayne Whitman, Right to Farm Program Manager, Environmental Stewardship Division; Care of Farm Animals GAAMP Chair, Dr. Janice Swanson; Farm Markets GAAMP Chair, Tom Kalchick; Irrigation GAAMP Chair, Dr. Steve Miller; and Manure Management and Utilization GAAMP Chair, Dr. Dale Rozeboom. (**action item**)
- Care of Farm Animals (changes)
  - Farm Markets (changes)
  - Irrigation Water Use (changes)
  - Site Selection and Odor Control for New and Expanding Livestock Facilities (changes)
  - Manure Management and Utilization (no changes)
  - Cranberry Production (no changes)
  - Nutrient Utilization (no changes)
  - Pesticide Utilization and Pest Control (no changes)

- 10:45**                      **Break**
- 10:50 a.m.    11.    **Agriculture Economic Update:** Dave Armstrong, Chief Executive Officer, GreenStone Farm Credit Services (information only)
- 11:10 a.m.    12.    **Agriculture Economic Future:** Kathleen Roberts, Vice President, Agribusiness Banking Group, CoBank, Minneapolis (information only)
- 11:30 a.m.    13.    **Pet Food Recall Response:** April Hunt, Fertilizer and Feed Specialist, Pesticide and Plant Pest Management Division; Justin Henderson, Epidemiologist, Rapid Response Team; and Ted Gatesy, Microbiology Manager, Laboratory Division (information only)
- 11:45 p.m.    14.    **Commissioner Issues**
- Commission Resolution in Support of Utilizing Hydric Soils for Blueberry Production
  - Retirement Resolution for Sylvia Giger-Taylor
- 11:55 a.m.    15.    **Public Comment**  
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- 12:10 p.m.    16.    **Adjourn**