

**AGENDA**  
**Senate Committee on Agriculture, Forestry, and Economic Development**  
**House Committee on Agriculture, Forestry, and Economic Development**  
**Meeting Jointly**

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**Monday, August 17, 2020**  
**10:00 AM**  
**Room A, MAC**  
**Little Rock, Arkansas**

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Sen. John Cooper, Chair  
Sen. Ricky Hill, Vice-Chair  
Sen. Bruce Maloch  
Sen. Eddie Cheatham  
Sen. Blake Johnson  
Sen. David Wallace  
Sen. James Sturch  
Sen. Mathew Pitsch

Rep. Dan M. Douglas, Chair  
Rep. David Hillman, Vice-Chair  
Rep. Stephen Meeks  
Rep. Lane Jean  
Rep. Jeff Wardlaw  
Rep. Stephen Magie  
Rep. Joe Jett  
Rep. Ken Bragg  
Rep. Les Eaves  
Rep. Ron McNair

Rep. Mary Bentley  
Rep. Rick Beck  
Rep. Dan Sullivan  
Rep. Vivian Flowers  
Rep. Jack Fortner  
Rep. Steve Hollowell  
Rep. Carlton Wing  
Rep. Stan Berry  
Rep. Marsh Davis  
Rep. Harlan Breaux

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- A. Call to Order
- B. Remarks by the Co-Chairs
- C. Consideration to Approved the May 12, 2020, Meeting Minutes **[Exhibit C]**
- D. Update Regarding Bayou Meto and Grand Prairie Water Management Projects **[Exhibits D1, D2 & D3]**
  - 1. Edward Swaim, Executive Director, Bayou Meto Water Management District
  - 2. Laudies Brantley, Jr., President, Board of Directors, Bayou Meto Water Management District
  - 3. Dan Hooks, President, Board of Directors, Grand Prairie Water Management District
  - 4. David Feilke, Vice President, Board of Directors, Grand Prairie Water Management District
  - 5. Lynn Sickel, Immediate Past President, Board of Directors, Grand Prairie Water Management District
  - 6. Wes Ward, Secretary, Department of Agriculture
  - 7. Megan Perkins, Project Coordinator, Department of Agriculture
- E. Discussion of CARES Act Effect on Agriculture and Request for CARES Act Appropriation
  - 1. Wes Ward, Secretary, Department of Agriculture **[Exhibits E1, E2 & E3]**
  - 2. Public Testimony Regarding Meat Processing Facilities:
    - a) Michael Lee, Farm Manager, Flying C Ranch
    - b) Jessica Clowser Burkham, Director of Policy Development, Arkansas Farm Bureau
- F. Discussion of County Fair Cancellations and Vesicular Stomatitis Virus in Arkansas
  - 1. Wes Ward, Secretary, Department of Agriculture
  - 2. Patrick Fish, Director of Livestock and Poultry, Department of Agriculture
  - 3. Dr. Randy Chick, State Veterinarian

**Note: All exhibits for this meeting are available by electronic means and are accessible on the General Assembly's website at [www.arkleg.state.ar.us](http://www.arkleg.state.ar.us)**

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- G. Update Regarding Feral Hogs
  - 1. Wes Ward, Secretary, Department of Agriculture
  - 2. JP Fairhead, Feral Hog Coordinator, Department of Agriculture
  
- H. Discussion of Dicamba Concerns and Plant Board Membership
  - 1. Wes Ward, Secretary, Department of Agriculture
  - 2. Scott Bray, Director, Plant Industry Division
  - 3. Terry Fuller, Chairman, Plant Board
  - 4. Public Testimony Regarding Dicamba Concerns:
    - a. Charles Williams, Farmer, Mississippi County
    - b. Perry Galloway, Farmer, Woodruff County
  
- I. Reports Received
  - Arkansas Institutional Fund Annual Report for year 2019 **[Exhibit I]**
  
- J. Other Business
  
- K. Adjournment