



Delaware Agricultural Financing Forum: "Show Me The Money"

August 20th, 2014, 5-8 PM
Harrington Fire Company, 20 Clark Street
Harrington, DE 19952

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available for attendees*

- 4:30 – 5:00 **Registration**
- 5:00 – 5:05 **Welcome and Opening Remarks**, *Jill Jefferson, Environmental Finance Center (EFC)*
- 5:05 – 5:20 **Federal and State Funding – Funding opportunities for Farmers**
New Farm Bill funding and other NRCS and Farm Service Agency funds (Stream fencing, practices to control erosion and improve water quality, Environmental Quality Incentives Programs (EQIP) and other incentive programs), *Tim Garrahan, USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS)*
Delaware state grants and loans and use of Conservation Districts, *Marcia Fox, DE Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control (DNREC)*
- 5:20 – 6:00 **Conservation Districts as Linkage to "The Money"** – 3 districts (*New Castle, Kent, Sussex*) panel, *Farmer Examples for Peer-to-Peer exchange of piggybacking public and private funding and Q&A, Kevin Donnelly, New Castle CD; David Baird, Sussex CD; Tim Riley, Kent CD*
- 6:00 – 6:35 **Dinner with Guest Speaker**, *Return on investment from conservation practices – financial and environmental benefits, Robert Schnabel, Chesapeake Bay Foundation (CBF)*
- 6:35 – 7:25 **Conservation Practices that Save Money or Time – Overview of practices and where farmers can look for funding**
Environmental Benefits of Conservation Practices, *Jennifer Volk, Extension Specialist, University of Delaware Cooperative Extension*
Operational Benefits of Vertical Tillage and Precision Ag, *TBD, Binkley & Hurst Representative*
How to Pay For Conservation Practices, *Kenny Bounds, MidAtlantic Farm Credit*
Delaware Rural Irrigation Program (DRIP), *James Pennewell, Business Finance Specialist, Delaware Economic Development Office (DEDO)*
- 7:25 – 7:35 **Local Funding Resources: Results of Leveraging Scenarios for Producers**, *Jill Jefferson, EFC and Jenn Volk, University of Delaware Cooperative Extension*
- 7:35 – 7:45 **What's On the Horizon?** *PA innovative poultry practices such as Manure to Energy Incentives, other practices to increase return on investment, Don McNutt, Lancaster County Conservation District*
- 7:45 – 8:00 **Final Q&A and Wrap Up**

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