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BCYF Farm Fest!

Abbotsford-Chilliwack | British Columbia - November 19-21, 2024

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Tuesday: November 19

	BC Young Farmers: FarmFest	AgEx Conference Attendees: Farm Tour
8:00am	Networking Breakfast	<i>Sponsored by:</i> 
8:30am	Farm Fest Welcome	
8:35am	From Field to Finance - Tools for Farm Business Growth	
9:45am	Waste Not, Want Not - Resources for Farmers to Reduce Waste	Farm Tour Bus Departs at 10:15am
10:30am	Business Showcase & Networking Break	
11:00am	The Loss of Agricultural Land and the Ever-Growing Pressures - What will be left for ag production?	Morning Farm Tours: Featuring Rainbow Greenhouses, and more!
12:30pm	Closing Remarks	
12:40pm	Board Bus for Lunch and Farm Tour (joining the Farm Tour Participants)	
1:00pm	Lunch at Farmhouse Brewing	
2:30-5:00pm	Afternoon Farm Tours: Featuring Dicklands Biogas, and more!	
5:30pm	Farm Tour Bus Returns to Hotel	

<p>5:30-8:00pm Sponsored by:</p>  	<p>AgEx Reception including AgEx Marketplace featuring 10 local vendors and Indigenous Welcome</p>
<p>8:00-10:00pm</p>	<p>Hospitality Suite</p>








Wednesday: November 20

<p>7:00am</p>	<p>Conference Check-In / Full Breakfast</p>
<p>8:00am</p>	<p>Opening Remarks with Special Guests</p>
<p>8:25am</p>	<p>4-H Presentation: The Future of Agriculture <i>Victoria Pitsiaeli, 4-H Member, 2nd Year UBC Student in Land and Food Systems</i></p>
<p>8:30am Sponsored by: </p>	<p>Keynote: Empower Your Operation: Leveraging Data for Business Resilience <i>Edward Olson, Enterprise Risk Leader, Environmental, Social & Governance, MNP</i></p>
<p>9:00am</p>	<p>Keynote: Cultivating Sustainability Through Agricultural Health and Safety <i>Dan Trottier, Managing Partner, Tatonga Consulting Group</i></p>
<p>9:30am</p>	<p>Health Break & Networking Opportunity</p>
<p>10:00am Sponsored by: </p>	<p>National Resource Showcase</p>
<p>11:00am</p>	<p>RealAgRadio LIVE! <i>Shaun Haney and Special Guests</i></p>
<p>12:00pm</p>	<p>Lunch Break</p>
<p>1:00pm Sponsored by:  </p>	<p><u>Farm Management Room:</u> The “Antifragile” Farmer <i>Kelly Dobson, LeaderShift and Special Guests</i></p> <p><u>Farm Health & Safety Room:</u> Addressing Natural Hazards and the Impact on Canadian Agriculture <i>Robin Anderson, Canadian Agriculture Safety Association</i></p>
<p>1:45pm Sponsored by:  </p>	<p><u>Farm Management Room:</u> In it Together: An Update on Current and Upcoming Indigenous Food Security Initiatives in BC <i>Ian Foss, Indigenous Partnerships and Reconciliation, BC Ministry of Agriculture and Food</i></p> <p><u>Farm Health & Safety Room:</u> Women in Agriculture: Wellness, Safety and Leadership <i>Dr. Briana Hagen, Canadian Centre for Agriculture Wellbeing</i></p>

	Sandy Miller , Workplace Safety & Prevention Services Robin Anderson , Canadian Agriculture Safety Association
2:30pm Sponsored by:     	<u>Farm Health & Safety Room:</u> Mental Health & Suicide Prevention in Agriculture Bethany Parkinson and Matt Treble , Canadian Mental Health Association <u>Benchmarking Business Performance Room:</u> An Introduction to the Towards Increased Profits (TIP) Report Gary Flaten , Farm Business Management Specialist, BC Ministry of Agriculture and Food <u>Extended Learning Room:</u> Harnessing Big Data for Agricultural Excellence – Part I Marie-Hélène Burle , Simon Fraser University's Big Data Hub <u>Young Farmer Room:</u> TBD <u>Farm Transition Room:</u> TBD
3:30pm	Health Break & Networking Opportunity
4:00pm Sponsored by: 	Panel Discussion: Taking Care of Business – Advocating for Agriculture
5:00pm	Closing Remarks
5:15pm Sponsored by: 	Student Event (Private Session) From The Classroom to the Farm – Navigating the Path Forward
6:30-9:00pm	Conference Banquet & Wilson Loree Award
9:00-11:00pm	Hospitality Suite

Thursday: November 21

8:00am	Full Breakfast
9:00am	Morning Welcome
9:10am	4-H Presentation: Exploring Careers in Agriculture Through 4-H Ashley Wolfe , 4-H BC Youth Member
9:15am	Shaping the Future of Farming: A Fireside Chat with Senator Mary Robinson
10:00am	Keynote: Lessons from Sweden – Nurturing Farm Business Excellence Ove Karlsson , Farm Business Advisor and Developer for Norrbotten County, Sweden

10:30am Sponsored by: 	Health Break & Networking Opportunity
11:00am Sponsored by:    	<u>Farm Health & Safety Room:</u> The Low-Cost Roll-Over-Protective-Structure (ROPS) Program <i>Dr. Niels Koehncke, Professor, Canadian Centre for Rural and Agriculture Health, University of Saskatchewan</i> <u>Farm Business Supports Room:</u> TBD <u>Extended Learning Room:</u> Harnessing Big Data for Agricultural Excellence – Part II <i>Marie-Hélène Burle, Simon Fraser University's Big Data Hub</i> <u>Young Farmer Room:</u> TBD <u>Farm Business Technology Room:</u> TBD
12:00pm	Lunch Break
1:00pm Sponsored by: 	Keynote: Managing the Political Risks of Farming: The Impact of Animal Rights Organizations' Direct Actions on Agribusiness <i>Morgan Camley, National Agribusiness Sector Group, Dentons</i>
1:45pm Sponsored by: 	Panel Discussion: Weathering the Storm – Harnessing Lived Experiences for Managing Floods and Drought
3:15pm	Keynote: Balancing Mental Health and Farm Business Success <i>Dr. Andria Jones, Professor, University of Guelph</i>
3:45pm	Closing Remarks
4:00pm	Conference Close

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