



CAST Food-Animal Agriculture Symposium
Jefferson Auditorium, South Agriculture Building
1400 Independence Ave SW
Washington, DC

June 8–10, 2010
Hosted by the Council for Agricultural Science and Technology (CAST)
in cooperation with the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA)

Sustaining Animal Agriculture: Balancing Bioethical, Economic, and Social Issues

Objectives:

1. Discussing the impacts of regulations on food-animal agriculture at all levels including economics of production, rural demographics, and societal and global effects.
2. Analyzing the intended and unintended consequences of these voluntary and involuntary regulations.

Proceedings: Published proceedings will be available on the USDA/AWIC, NIFA, and CAST websites.

JUNE 8, 2010 Day 1 – General Session – Theme: Overview of Sustaining Animal Agriculture

MODERATOR: Richard Reynnells, USDA/NIFA
Welcome John Ferrell, USDA Deputy Under Secretary for Marketing and Regulatory Programs
Welcome from CAST Todd Peterson, CAST President
Integration of competing concepts surrounding the ethical use of food animals
Wes Jamison, Palm Beach Atlantic University
Impressions from the agricultural community regarding food-animal welfare and agricultural regulation
Gregory P. Martin, The Pennsylvania State Cooperative Extension
Taking a look back to look forward - R. Douglas Hurt, Purdue University
Historical perspective of the integration of animal agriculture - Ronald L. Plain, University of Missouri
Building trust in contemporary food production - Steve Sapp, Iowa State University
Redefining sustainability: Ethically grounded, scientifically verified and economically viable
Ray Stricklin, University of Maryland
Panel: Trends in society and their impact on our future food-animal systems
Charlie Arnot, CMA
Janet M. Riley, American Meat Institute
Jay Vroom, CropLife America

JUNE 9, Day 2 — Morning theme: Bioethical and animal welfare issues, rural and food-animal industry structure

MODERATOR: Nathaniel Tablante, University of Maryland
Ethical and practical implications of food-animal agriculture - Paul B. Thompson, Michigan State University
Panel: Different perceptions of sustainable agriculture
James R. (Tres) Bailey, Walmart
Mike Morris, YUM Brands
Bryan Dierlam, Cargill
Panel: How can we move forward?; the need for a collaborative vision
Jack Fisher, Ohio Farm Bureau Federation
Chandler Goule, National Farmers Union
Christine Bushway, Organic Trade Association
Joe Stookey, North American Food Animal Well-being Commission for Beef; University of Saskatchewan

JUNE 9, Day 2 – Afternoon theme: Long-term survival and food security

MODERATOR: Candace Croney, The Ohio State University
Economics of size and scale applied to biological systems - Brian Buhr, University of Minnesota
Future welfare of farmers and their animals – John Deen, University of Minnesota
Panel: Comprehensive analysis of certification and regulatory programs; what is the future?

David Townsend, Smithfield Foods – Swine Industry Analysis
Yvonne Vizzier Thaxton, Mississippi State University – Poultry Industry Analysis
Third panelist, TBD

JUNE 10, Day 3 – Theme: Societal and global impacts

MODERATOR: Chuck Conner, National Council of Farmer Cooperatives
World and U.S. population growth: How can we feed everyone? – William Weldon, Elanco Animal Health
Should there be biotechnology in our future? – Val Giddings, PrometheusAB, Inc.
Agricultural productivity strategies for the future – Gale Buchanan, Retired Under Secretary, USDA/REE
Sustainability Myths and Musts – Jason Clay, World Wildlife Fund
Trade considerations and OIE guidelines – Phil Seng, US Meat and Export Federation
Are the poor a recognized stakeholder? – Joseph Glauber, USDA Chief Economist
Are farmers and rural communities destined to be second-class citizens?
Paul Lasley, Iowa State University

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