

# National Association of Farm Broadcasting Washington Watch 2010 May 3-5



## Monday, May 3

- 8:00-1:30 p.m. NAFB Board of Directors Meeting  
*Mercury Room*
- 11:00-4:00 p.m. Registration  
*Columbia Foyer*
- 2:00-3:30 p.m. NAFB Member Business Meeting  
*Apollo Room*
- 4:00-6:00 p.m. Issues Forum  
*Columbia Ballroom*
- 6:00-6:45 p.m. Issues Forum Reception  
*Columbia Foyer*  
Sponsor: *United Soybean Board*, Welcome by *Phil Bradshaw*
- 6:45-8:00 p.m. Dinner  
*Saturn/Venus Rooms*  
Sponsor: *American Soybean Association*, Welcome by *Steve Wellman*  
Emcee: **Tom Steever**, *Brownfield Ag News*  
Speaker: **Steve Kopperud**, *Exec. VP, Policy Directions, Inc.*

## Tuesday, May 4

- 7:30 a.m. Arrive on your own to USDA, enter from Jefferson Dr. entrance
- 7:30-10:30 a.m. USDA visit and briefing  
*Whitten Building (North Building), Williamsburg Room*  
*1400 Independence Avenue, SW*
- 7:30-8:00 a.m. Meet and greet with USDA Leadership  
Coffee and light breakfast  
*Room 107-A*
- 8:00-8:10 a.m. Group photo with Secretary **Tom Vilsack**
- 8:10-8:15 a.m. Welcome and Introductions  
**Greg Akagi**, President, NAFB
- 8:15-9:00 a.m. **Tom Vilsack**, Secretary of Agriculture

- 9:00-9:30 a.m. **James Miller**, Under Secretary, Farm and Foreign Agricultural Services
- 9:30-10:00 a.m. **Joe Glauber**, Chief Economist
- 10:00-10:30 a.m. **Larry Elworth**, Chief Agricultural Counselor, EPA
- 10:30 a.m. Depart on your own to the hotel
- 11:00-2:15 p.m. Programming at the Holiday Inn  
*Saturn/Venus Room*
- 11:00-11:30 a.m. Trade Update from Canada  
**Pamela Simpson**, First Secretary (Agriculture), Embassy of Canada
- 12:00 p.m. Lunch  
Speaker: **John R. Block**, Secretary of Agriculture (1981-1986)  
Sponsor: *SweetSurprise.com/Corn Refiners Association*
- 1:30-2:15 p.m. Regulatory Updates  
**Mike Dunn**, Commissioner, CFTC  
**Tim Pastoor**, Principal Scientist, Syngenta Crop Protection, Inc.  
**Tamara Thies**, Chief Environmental Council, NCBA  
Sponsor: *Syngenta Crop Protection*
- 2:45 p.m. **Bus leaves hotel from C Street entrance for White House**
- 3:30-4:10 p.m. Tour of the White House Garden
- 4:30-5:00 p.m. USTR visit and briefing  
*USTR Winder Building*  
*600 17th Street, NW*  
**Ambassador Isi Siddiqui**, Chief Agricultural Negotiator, USTR
- 5:00 p.m. **Bus leaves for hotel**
- 5:40 p.m. **Bus leaves hotel from C Street entrance**
- 6:00-8:00 p.m. Dinner at Founding Farmers Restaurant  
Sponsor: *National Farmers Union and The Fertilizer Institute*
- 8:00 p.m. **Bus departs for those returning to the hotel**
- 8:00-9:00 p.m. Night tour of the Capitol with **Rep. Adrian Smith (R - NE)**  
(You will need your own transportation—taxis have been arranged to pickup guests. Meet outside of the Cannon House Office Building on the corner of Independence and New Jersey, NW.)

## Wednesday, May 5

- 7:30 a.m. **Arrive on your own at Longworth House Office Building**  
(please allow yourself time to get through security)
- 8:00-11:30 a.m. Capitol Hill Legislator Roundup  
*Longworth House Office Building, Room 1300*  
Sponsor: *Associated Milk Producers Inc.*  
Moderator: **Michelle Rook**, WNAX Radio

8:00 a.m. Breakfast and welcome, Ed Welch, AMPI  
8:30 a.m. Sen. Mike Johanns (R - NE)  
9:00 a.m. Sen. Saxby Chambliss (R - GA)  
9:30 a.m. Sen. Kent Conrad (D - ND)  
10:00 a.m. Rep. Jerry Moran (R - KS)  
10:30 a.m. Rep. Frank Lucas (R - OK)  
11:00 a.m. Rep. Collin Peterson (D - MN)  
11:30 a.m. Event concludes

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