NCSL’S Agriculture Task Force

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### AGRICULTURE TASK FORCE AGENDA

Co-Chairs:
Senator Justin Cronin – South Dakota  
Senator Rita Hart – Iowa

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<th>Thursday, May 10</th>
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<td><strong>7:30 p.m.</strong></td>
<td>Welcome Dinner</td>
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<td>Piatti, 190 St. Paul St., Denver, CO 80206</td>
<td>We will meet in the lobby of the MOXY at 7:15 PM, before walking over to Piatti for dinner.</td>
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<th>Friday, May 11</th>
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<td><strong>7:45 a.m.</strong></td>
<td>Breakfast</td>
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<td>Fireside Patio, JW Marriott</td>
<td>Enjoy breakfast with your fellow Agriculture Task Force attendees before a busy day. NCSL staff will walk over from the MOXY to the JW Marriott at 7:30 a.m.</td>
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<td><strong>9 a.m.</strong></td>
<td>Bus Departs for Terrapin Care Station</td>
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<td>The bus will depart the hotel by 9 a.m. from the JW Marriott lobby.</td>
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<td><strong>9:30 a.m.</strong></td>
<td>Terrapin Care Station</td>
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<td>11900 E. 33rd Ave, Aurora, CO 80010</td>
<td>We will visit Terrapin Care Station Aurora. During our visit, we will tour the facility’s cannabis cultivation process as well as meet with Terrapin Care Station’s grow team. Serving the communities of Boulder, Denver, and Aurora, Terrapin Care Station has been a leader in the cannabis industry since beginning in Boulder in 2009. Serving both medical cannabis patients and adults who choose a recreational alternative, Terrapin Care Station has developed a selection of high-grade cannabis products that provide customers with a variety of tasting profiles and experiences.</td>
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*Please wear closed toe shoes for the tours today*
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<th>Noon</th>
<th>Lunch</th>
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| Salvage Restaurant  
2700 S. Havana St.  
Aurora, CO, 80014 | The Task Force will enjoy a midday break at Salvage Restaurant where we will be joined by a Weedmaps representative. Weedmaps is an online marijuana community that allows users to review and discuss cannabis and local dispensaries. |

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<th>2 p.m.</th>
<th>Dry Dock Brewery – North Dock</th>
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| 2801 Tower Road,  
Aurora, CO 80011 | Over the past few years, states have seen a significant growth in craft breweries. The Task Force will tour one of the first micro-breweries in the Denver metro area to learn about its positive economic impact both to the area but also the positive relationship that these breweries have with the agriculture producers in their state and beyond. |

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<th>4 p.m.</th>
<th>Bus Departs for Hotel</th>
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| MOXY Denver Cherry Creek  
| 240 Josephine St.  
| Denver, CO, 80206 | The bus will depart for hotel at 4 p.m. Attendees are free to grab dinner on their own. If you need suggestions on where to dine in the surrounding area, let us know. |

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<th>5:30 – 7 p.m.</th>
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| NCSL Headquarters  
7700 East First Place,  
Denver, CO | Please join the full NCSL Executive Committee for a reception at NCSL headquarters. Transportation will be provided from the JW Marriott. |

Saturday, May 12

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<th>7:30 – 9:15 a.m.</th>
<th>Breakfast Discussion on Animal Agriculture Policy Directive</th>
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| Bluebell/Aster  
JW Marriott | NCSL’s Natural Resources and Infrastructure Committee has requested a recommendation from the Task Force regarding a section of the committee’s Animal Agricultural Policy Directive concerning horse slaughter. The Task Force and attendees will discuss a number of options prepared by NCSL committee staff. |

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<th>9:15 -10:30 a.m.</th>
<th>Colorado Lessons: The Intersection of Regulation, Production, and Markets of Industrial Hemp</th>
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| Bluebell/Aster  
JW Marriott | Since the 2014 Farm Bill, states have taken an interest in promoting the cultivation and development of industrial hemp. Several challenges have faced the implementation of hemp programs including seed access and certification, licensing, and developing research and commercial approaches. Speakers from the state and industry will |
share information and lessons learned on how policies have developed and how Colorado has become a leader in hemp.

**Speakers:**
*Wendy Mosher*, Executive Director, New West Genetics  
*Duane Sinning*, Division Director, Colorado Department of Agriculture’s Division of Plant Industries  
*Hunter Buffington*, Executive Director, Colorado Hemp Industries Association

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<th>10:30 - 10:45 a.m.</th>
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<td>Enjoy a brief 15-minute break. Coffee and other treats are available outside the meeting room.</td>
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<th>10:45 - 11:45 a.m.</th>
<th>The State of Agriculture Economy</th>
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<td>If one were look at the latest job creation figures and GDP reports, the economy would appear to be holding steady. Unfortunately, these larger, nationally focused statistics may be masking a more difficult state of the agricultural economy especially in light of the potential for the imposition of tariffs on agriculture exports. This session will focus on the latest outlook for commodities, trade, farm income and how the status of these areas will impact the next Farm Bill.</td>
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**Speaker:**  
*Dr. Chad Hart*, Iowa State University

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