Agriculture in a Changing Climate: What the Future Holds for Iowa
November 25, 2019 (VIDEO)

A Science Based Knowledge Sharing Forum that will:

- Highlight the climate challenges Iowa farms, ranches and woodlands are experiencing;
- Highlight solutions well managed ag landscapes can deliver in support of global climate and other Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs); and
- Explore enabling policies and programs producers need to achieve desired outcomes.

1:00 p.m. Welcome and Overview of Iowa Smart Agriculture

  o Ray Gaesser, Chair, IA Smart Ag
  o Dan Robison, Dean, Iowa State University, College of Agriculture and Life Sciences

Greetings

  o Honorable Kim Reynolds, Governor – Paul Trombino, COO
  o Honorable Chuck Grassley, U.S. Senator – Carol Olson, State Director
  o Honorable Joni Ernst, U.S. Senator – Dustin VandeHoef, Special Assistant in Agriculture
  o Honorable Cindy Axne, U.S. Representative – Kaity Patchett, District Director

1:30 p.m. What is agriculture and climate science telling us? Dean Robison, (Moderator)

  o Dr. Cynthia Rosenzweig, Senior Research Scientist NASA Goddard Institute for Space Studies/Columbia University
  o Dr. Dennis Todey, Director, USDA Midwest Regional Climate Hub
  o Dr. Mike Castellano, Soil Science Professor, Iowa State University
  o Dr. Rick Cruse, Director, Iowa Water Center
  o Dr. Emily Heaton, Assistant Professor of Agronomy, Iowa State University

2:45 p.m. Refreshment Break

3:00 p.m. Iowa farmers on farming challenges and the future of agriculture:

Dr. Lois Wright Morton, Dept of Sociology, Iowa State University (Moderator)

  o Bryan Sievers, Stockton, IA
  o Bill Couser, Nevada, IA
  o Dave Walton, Wilton, IA

The Renaissance Des Moines Savery, 401 Locust Street, Des Moines, Iowa
4:20 p.m. Special Remarks
  o Honorable Michael Naig, Secretary of Agriculture

The Road Ahead
  o Jerry Hatfield, Director, USDA National Laboratory for Agriculture and the Environment
  o Fred Yoder, Co-Chair, Solutions from the Land and Chair, North America Climate Smart Agriculture Alliance
  o Ray Gaesser, Chair, Iowa Smart Agriculture

5:00 p.m. Adjourn