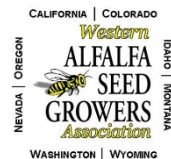




**WESTERN ALFALFA SEED GROWERS
2022 WINTER SEED CONFERENCE
PROGRAM***



Premier Conference Sponsor:

Sunday, January 23

5:00 PM – 6:30 pm – Opening Social – *Sponsored by –*

Monday, January 24

7:30 AM – Registration Desk Opens – Trade Show Ongoing

Session 1 – APRI Research Session – Moderated by

8:30 AM – **Conference Kickoff** – Shane Johnson, Western Alfalfa Seed Growers Association

8:40 AM – **Advanced Monitoring of Established and Emerging Pathogens and Parasitoid Infections of Alfalfa Leafcutting Bee (*Megachile rotundata*) Nest Cells using Multiplex Technology** – Justin Clements, University of Idaho

9:00 AM – **Effects of Nutritional Supplements on Reproduction & Longevity of Alfalfa Leafcutting Bees** – Theresa L. Pitts-Singer & Diana Cox-Foster, USDA ARS Pollinating Insects Research Unit

9:20 AM – **Effects of spring storage duration during development on reproductive fitness in the alfalfa leafcutting bee, *Megachile rotundata*** – Kendra J. Greenlee, North Dakota State University

9:40 AM – **Identifying Causes of Sub-Optimal Alfalfa Seed Pollination by *Nomia melanderi*, the Alkali Bee** – Kelsey Graham, USDA ARS Pollinating Insects Research Unit

10:00 AM – **Break – Raffle Drawing** – *Coffee and Breaks Sponsored by –*

Session 2

10:20 AM – **The Use of *Megachile rotundata* for Pollination of Legume (Family: Fabaceae)** – Lindsie McCabe, USDA ARS Pollinating Insects Research Unit

10:40 AM – **Enhancing and Protecting Populations of Alfalfa Seed Pollinators** – Doug Walsh, Washington State University

11:00 AM – **Determining Models for Bee Exposure to Pesticides in Alfalfa Seed** – Dr. Kimberly Hageman, Utah State University

11:20 AM – **Attractant for *Lygus* Bug Control** – Zain Syed, University of Kentucky

11:40 AM – **Grower and Industry Survey** – Jerry Neufeld, University of Idaho

12:20 PM – **Lunch & Raffle Drawing** – *Sponsored by –*

Session 3 – Research Session – Moderated by

2:00 PM – **NAFA Update** – Beth Nelson, President, National Alfalfa and Forage Alliance

2:30 PM – **US Trade Update** –

3:10 PM – **Sprayer Setup to Maximize Efficiency** – Mike Powers, TeeJet Technologies

3:50 PM – **Raffle Drawing/Announcements**

4:00 PM – **Presenter's Meet and Greet Social & Researchers Poster Panel** *Sponsored by –*

Tuesday, January 25

7:00 AM – **WASGA Board of Directors Meeting**

Session 4

8:30 AM – **Welcome** – Shane Johnson, Western Alfalfa Seed Growers Association

8:40 AM – **Canadian Seed Report** – Brett Wilson, Northstar Seed, Ltd.

9:20 AM – **State of the Industry Report** – Forage Genetics

10:10 AM – **Break – Raffle Drawing** – *Coffee and Breaks Sponsored by –*

Session 5

10:40 AM – **Key Note - Agriculture Policy and Trade Development** - Jim Wiesemeyer

11:40 PM – **Raffle Drawing/Announcements**

11:50 PM – Conference Adjournment

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