

# **Private Lands Partners Day 2022**

The Graduate Hotel Fayetteville, Arkansas October 4-6th





# Day 1: Tuesday, October 4th

### Gather at The Graduate Fayetteville

4:00 P.M. Registration, open until 7:00 P.M. (will reopen October 4th at 7:00 A.M.)

6:00 P.M. Reception and Silent Auction Opens

Welcome to NWA video/comments

Heavy hors d'oeuvres served with Refreshments

8:00 P.M. Event ends

## Day 2: Wednesday, October 5th

## Gather at The Graduate Fayetteville

7:00 A.M. Registration Continues

7:30 A.M. Welcome to PLPD and Opening Remarks

Steve Jester, Partnerscapes

7:40 A.M. Welcome to Arkansas and field tour logistics

Jonathan Baxter, Arkansas Partners for Fish and Wildlife Coordinator

# Field Tour Agenda

Buses will run two different routes to reduce crowd size, but all participants will visit the same stops. Please refer to the back of your name tag for bus assignments.

Group A Group B 8:30 Depart Graduate 8:30 Depart Graduate 8:30-9:30 Travel 8:45-9:00 Travel 9:30-10:45 Bill Haak 9:00-10:15 Marion Crider 10:45-11:45 Travel 10:15-10:45 Travel 10:45-12:00 Jeff Marley 11:45-1:45 Tom Shrum Lunch on location, catered by Granny's Kitchen 12:00-12:30- Travel 1:45-2:15- Travel 12:30-2:30 Tom Shrum Lunch on location, catered by Granny's Kitchen 2:15-3:30 Jeff Marley 3:30-4:00 Travel 2:30-3:30 Travel 4:00- 5:15 Marion Crider 3:30-4:45 Bill Haak 5:15-5:30 Travel to Tyson Center 4:45-5:45 Travel to Tyson Center

#### Site descriptions:

Bill Haak- Dairy utilizing rotational grazing and has faced significant urban encroachment challenges Tom Shrum- Timber stand improvement, pollinator/native herbaceous planting, riparian planting/establishment Jeff Marley- Discovery Farms, Nutrient management on poultry and cattle operation Marion Crider- Steam Stabilization, riparian restoration, RCPP (NRCS initiative), watershed restoration

# Evening Agenda

Moderator: Leif Kindberg, Executive Director Illinois River Watershed Partnership

6:00-8:30 P.M. Dinner, catered by Wright's BBQ at Tyson Center

Speakers: Dr. Vic Ford - UA Division of Agriculture

Ted Zawislak, . Alliance Presentation

8:30 P.M. Busses return to Graduate Hotel

### Day 3: Thursday, October 6th

#### Gather at The Graduate Fayetteville

Moderator: Amanda Mathis and Jonathan Baxter

8:00 A.M. Welcome and Introduce Events of the Day – State and National Conservation Leaders (INVITED AND BASED ON AVAILABILITY)

Martha Williams- Director, USFWS

Terry Cosby-Chief, USDA-Natural Resources Conservation Service (invited)

Mike Sullivan – Arkansas State Conservationist, USDA NRCS

Austin Booth – Director, Arkansas Game and Fish Commission Leopoldo Miranda-Castro–Regional Director, USFWS, South Atlantic-Gulf &

Mississippi-Basin

Wes Ward- Arkansas Secretary of Agriculture

9:15 A.M. **35th PFW Anniversary-** Matt Filsinger, Joe Milmoe, John Ann Shearer

9:45 A.M. Partnerscapes Successes and Opportunities – Jim Stone and Steve Jester, Partners for

Conservation

10:15 A.M. Break

#### **Collaborative Conservation on Private Lands**

Moderator: Amanda Mathis and Jonathan Baxter

10:45 A.M. Using Voluntary Conservation Programs in Rice Agriculture- Jim Whitaker, Whitaker Grain and Josh

Hankins, USA Rice

11:45 A.M. Lunch

1:00 P.M. Ranchers Stewardship Alliance, Malta, Montana - Angelica DeVries, Executive Director

and Rick Caquelin Board Member

1:45 P.M. Neighbor helping Neighbor, North Carolina Sandhills PBA- Jesse Wimberley, president PBA

and John Ann Shearer, North Carolina PFW State Coordinator, USFWS

2:30 P.M. Break

3:00 P.M. **Panel Discussion**- Keeping fire as a resource management tool

Panel includes: Producers/landowner, Arkansas Game and Fish Commission, Prescribed Fire Association, Water Districts, NGO's

4:00 P.M. Saline River Watershed Alliance, Brian Nally

4:30 P.M. Working Together for Conservation, A Success Story, Joy Wasson

5:00 P.M. Lessons Learned and Closing Remarks

6:30 P.M. Silent Auction closes

6:30 P.M. Banquet Dinner

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