



Nova Scotia Federation of Agriculture

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Agriculture: A vision for a Sustainable Nova Scotia

Truro – The Annual General Meeting of the Nova Scotia Federation of Agriculture will be held this Thursday and Friday; November 25 & 26th in Truro. A group of over 250 delegates and industry stakeholders will gather at the Best Western Glengarry to discuss issues and challenges, propose workable solutions, and build new partnerships that will strengthen the agriculture industry as a whole.

Outgoing Nova Scotia Federation of Agriculture President, Richard Melvin stated, “Our 115th Annual Meeting theme ‘Agriculture: a vision for a sustainable Nova Scotia’ sets the stage for ideas and enhanced commitment to meet the challenges we face as a farming community and province.”

Melvin adds, “With 2.1 billion dollars invested in rural Nova Scotia and a proven long term commitment, the farm community believes that agriculture should be considered a strategic opportunity for investment in our province.” The meeting will provide a forum for the exchange of ideas to work toward a strategic vision of agriculture in Nova Scotia.

Highlights of the meeting also include a presentation on animal welfare and animal rights by Crystal MacKay, Ontario Farm Animal Council; a presentation from Rick Williams, Chair of the Agricultural Land Review Committee and Dr. Kenny Corscadden will address the group with Farm Energy Initiatives in Nova Scotia.

During the Federation’s Thursday evening banquet the winner of the 2nd annual Environmental Farm Stewardship Award will be announced. The evening also includes what is shaping up to be an inspiring evening; Melody Sanford will present her 4-H speech, “*Who will feed the world in 50 years?*” and David Herle, Gandalf Group is our keynote speaker; “*Canadians’ Impressions of the Agriculture and Agri-Food Sector – New Trends and Old Standbys.*”

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The Nova Scotia Federation of Agriculture represents the interests of over 2300 farm families in Nova Scotia. Founded in 1895 to provide Nova Scotia’s farm community with a single voice, the NSFA is the province’s only general farm organization.