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2015 Agricultural Outlook and Policy Conference

Double Tree Hotel, Annapolis

December 16, 2015

- 8:30 am Registration
- 9:00 am Welcome, Dean Craig Beyrouly, College of Agriculture and Natural Resources
- 9:15 am *Commodity Price Prospects for 2016*, Kevin McNew, President, GeoGrain and Adjunct Professor, Department of Agricultural and Resource Economics, University of Maryland
- 10:00 am *Dairy Outlook: Industry-Wide and Farm Level*, Howard Leathers and Dale Johnson, AREC
- 10:30 am *Coffee*
- 11:00 am *2016 Outlook on Farm Incomes in Maryland and Nationally*, Jeff Hopkins, Chief, Farm Economy Branch, USDA-ERS
- 11:45 am *2015 Developments at Maryland Department of Agriculture*, Secretary Joe Bartenfelder, MDA
- 12:00 pm Lunch
- 1:00 pm *2015–16 Maryland Legislative Update*, Colby Ferguson, Maryland Farm Bureau
- 1:30 pm *Riparian Programs and Water Quality in Maryland*
- *Riparian Forest Buffers and other BMP's Revisited*, Lori Lynch, AREC
 - *Fisheries and the Health of the Chesapeake Bay*, Jorge Holzer, AREC
- 2:30 pm *Trends in Non-GMO Food Labeling and Implications for Field Crop Production*, Aaron Adalja, AREC
- 3:00 pm *Drones and Your Rights as a Landowner*, Paul Goeringer, AREC
- 3:30 pm Concluding Thoughts

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