



2017 Agricultural Outlook and Policy Conference
Crowne Plaza Hotel, Annapolis
December 12, 2017

- 8:30 am Registration
- 8:50 am Welcome, Paul Goeringer, Extension Legal Specialist, AREC
- 9:00 am *Commodity Price Prospects for 2018*, Kevin McNew, President, GeoGrain and Adjunct Professor, AREC
- 10:00 am *Using Nontraditional Waters on the Farm*, Dr. Rachel Elizabeth Goldstein, AREC
- 10:30 am *Break*
- 10:45 am *Agricultural Conservation Practices and Water Quality*, Jason Keppler, Watershed Implementation Program Manager, Maryland Department of Agriculture
- 11:15 am *2017–18 Maryland Legislative Update*, Colby Ferguson, Maryland Farm Bureau
- 11:45 pm Lunch
- 1:00 pm *Dairy Panel* - Dr. Howard Leathers, Associate Professor and Dale Johnson, Farm Management Specialist, AREC
- 2:00 pm *2017 Census of Agriculture*, Dale Hawks, Delaware and Maryland State Statistician, USDA-NASS
- 2:30pm *2018 Farm Bill Discussion*, Dr. Vincent Smith, Professor of Economics, University of Montana and Director of the AEI National Agricultural Studies Program
- 3:15 pm *Ag Law Evaluation Review*, Mayhah Suri and Paul Goeringer, AREC
- 3:45 pm Concluding Thoughts