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Carolyn Orr, Ph.D. corr@agandruralleaders.or g Welcome to the fifth Agriculture Chairs Summit (LAC V), scheduled for January 26-28<sup>th</sup>, 2007 at the Hyatt on Capitol Hill in Washington, D.C. This is to confirm your registration for

This conference has quickly become the leading meeting for state agriculture leadership in the nation and a model for other interest groups. We anticipate state legislative leadership from 47 states, 5 Canadian provinces and several U.S. territories, as well as agri-industry leaders that sponsor the Summit. With the House and Senate agricultural leadership from each state, the invitation-only summit will have approximately 160 participants.

PHOTO: Please remember to send a photo to as soon as possible.

**HITS AND MISSES:** We will have a session Sunday morning to share state agriculture and rural legislation from across the U.S. and Canada. This promises to be a truly educational session for all attendees. Please submit one or two legislative acts (final passage not required) you think are either <u>the best</u> or <u>the worst</u> examples of agriculture or rural legislation in your state. Forward by email to <u>corr@agandruralleaders.org</u> or fax legislation (859-734-5840) as soon as possible.

**DRESS:** This is your Summit. Please dress so you feel comfortable. Friday session will be in Congress, so you may want to dress differently for that than for Saturday and Sunday Sessions.

**TRAVEL PLANS:** The closing session Sunday may be the most important one you attend all year. We are going to hear the concerns several activist groups have with food production. We will be serving a box lunch so you can take it with you, but we would suggest your flight leaves after 2:30 pm.

**AIRPLANE RULES**: If carrying on your luggage you are currently permitted to take liquids and lotions in 3 oz or smaller containers in one quart sized plastic bag that must be set out of the carry-on bag during security.

**AIRPORT TO HOTEL TRAVEL**: The quickest, most efficient way is to take the Metro that leaves at the Reagan National Airport Entrance. Get a fare card for \$1.35 in the machine, take the Yellow Line toward Mt Vernon. It is 13 minutes to the Gallery Place-Chinatown station, Depart the Yellow line and board the Red Line (toward Glenmont) there and it is four minutes to the Union Station Exit. The Hyatt Capitol Hill is .3 miles SW from that station. A Taxi ride takes about 30 minutes for about \$15 dollars.

**ONSITE REGISTRATION**: There will be a registration desk set up in the hotel from 3:00 -6:00 pm Thursday. It will reopen at 7:30 Friday morning.

**FRIDAY A.M**: We will be leaving the hotel by 9:00 am by bus to the Canon office building. Please feel free to go early and meet with your congressional delegation If you come late, there will be a registration desk at the hotel and you can walk or take a taxi.

For regular updates and announcements, check out the SARL website at www.agandruralleaders.org, click on the 2006 Summit button.



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