2015 Shepherd Ag. Labor/Farm Safety Meeting

Friday, March 20, 2015
9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Gratiot-Isabella RESD
Winding Brook Conference Center
8240 South Genuine Road
Shepherd, MI 48883

3 RUP Credits Available

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Directions
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(exit # 138 of US 127, Blanchard Rd.)

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Program Description

Understanding Ag Labor issues and complying with Farm Labor Laws has become increasingly more difficult due to the changes in the laws and the numbers of issues facing farm employers. The 2015 Shepherd Michigan Ag Labor meeting will assist you, the Ag employer, in understanding issues impacting you and your employees. There will be an update on labor regulations that impact farms. The afternoon program will feature “Dairy and Swine Confinement Facilities: Containing Worker Health and Safety Risks”

Workshop Agenda

8:30 a.m. – Registration and Refreshments

9:00 a.m. - Welcome - Moderator: Phil Durst, MSU Extension

9:00 a.m. – 9:15 a.m. “Workforce Development Agency and local Michigan Migrant Resource Council Services”

   Feliciano Paredes, Agricultural Employment Specialist, State of Michigan

9:15 a.m. – 9:35 a.m. “Recruiting Workers and the H2A program”

   Gerardo Aranda and Feliciano Paredes, State Monitor Advocates

9:35 a.m. - 9:55 a.m. On-farm Communication is Critical

   Stan Moore, MSU Extension

10:00 a.m. - 11:35 p.m. Affordable Care Act Update

   Adam Kantrovich, MSU Extension

11:35 a.m. – 12:15 a.m. “I-9 Update and IMAGE presentation”

   Cory Howe & Blair Babcock, Agents, ICE, Homeland Security Investigations

12:15 p.m. – Lunch (Farm Safety Meeting will begin immediately after lunch)

12:15 p.m. – 1:00 p.m. “LUNCH” Provided to all registered meeting attendees.

1:00 p.m. - Healthy Herd Management - Worker Health and Safety (3 RUP Credits)

   • What is An Agricultural Safety & Health Management System and Why Do I Need It?
   • MIFACE Agricultural Update
   • Swine (or Dairy) Herd Management: The Caretaker Perspective - Hazard Management
   • What a Change in Container Labeling
   • Local Issues

   Deb Chester, Michigan State University; Howard Doss, Professor Emeritus, Michigan State University

4:00 p.m. - Adjourn

Registration Deadline: Friday, March 13, 2015

Cost: $35.00 per person, includes all materials, breaks and lunch.

Questions: Stan Moore: (231) 533-8818

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Business Name & Address: __________________________

Telephone Number: __________________________

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Number planning to attend the meeting __________________________

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