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Farm Foundation® Forum examines agendas for the next farm bill

OAK BROOK, IL Nov. 14, 2016: The 115th Congress of the United States will not convene until January, but development of the next farm bill is already a major topic of discussion among food and agricultural interests, as well as Congress. While the current legislation runs through the 2018 crop year, conversations are already emerging about how the next legislation should be structured.

“The Next Farm Bill: What are the Agendas?” will be the topic for the Farm Foundation® Forum on Wednesday, Nov. 30. Invited to present perspectives from their respective stakeholder groups are:

- Chuck Conner, President and CEO of the National Council of Farmer Cooperatives;
- Scott Faber, Vice President of Government Affairs for the Environmental Working Group; and
- Daren Bakst, Agricultural Research Policy Fellow at the Heritage Foundation.

Farm Foundation President Constance Cullman will moderate the discussion. After comments by the panelists, the floor will be opened for questions and discussion.

The Forum will be 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. EDT in the Holeman Lounge of the National Press Club, 519 14th St. NW, Washington, D.C. A free, live audiocast will also be available.

There is no charge to participate in the Nov. 30 Forum, but registration is requested.

- Register [HERE](#) if you plan to attend the Forum in person at the National Press Club.
- Register [HERE](#) to participate in the live audiocast. Audiocasting is made possible by a grant from Farm Credit.

Who should participate in the Forum: People with an interest in agricultural, food and rural policy, including members of Congress, congressional staff, executive branch officials, industry representatives, NGO representatives, academics and members of the media.

The Forum: Farm Foundation, NFP organizes these public forums to engage all stakeholders in informed dialogue on food, agricultural and rural policies. Participants examine current policies, explore and analyze alternative policy options, and give voice to new proposals.

Audio from the session will be posted on the Farm Foundation [website](#). Presentations and audio files from past Forum sessions are also available at the website.

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