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Farm Foundation® Forum examines ag platforms of Clinton & Trump

OAK BROOK, IL Oct. 14, 2016: The agriculture and rural platforms of Presidential candidates Hillary Clinton and Donald Trump—from federal farm policies and agricultural trade to conservation, environmental issues and labor—will be discussed at the Farm Foundation[®] Forum on Wednesday, Oct. 19, 2016.

Farm Foundation, NFP is partnering with Farm Journal's AgDay Television in presenting this Forum, which will be 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. EDT at the Holeman Lounge of the National Press Club, 519 14th Street NW, Washington, D.C. *Please note, the start time is an hour earlier than the normal Forum start time*.

Farm Foundation President Constance Cullman will moderate the discussion with representatives of the two campaigns. Former Sen. Mark Pryor will represent the Clinton campaign. Representing the Trump campaign will be Ag Advisor Charles Herbster and Campaign Co-Chair Sam Clovis. Each campaign will give opening comments, followed by questions and discussion with the audience.

A free, live audiocast will also be available. Participants in the live audiocast hear all the discussions and can submit questions.

For the last two presidential election cycles, Farm Foundation has provided this opportunity for the candidates, or their representatives, to focus discussions specifically on issues important to agriculture and rural communities. As a non-partisan organization, Farm Foundation has an important role in providing this opportunity for voters to learn more about the specific elements of the respective candidates' food and agricultural platforms.

There is no charge to participate in the Oct. 19 Forum, but registration is requested.

- Register <u>HERE</u> if you plan to attend the Forum in person at the National Press Club. <u>https://secure.farmfoundation.org/eventReg.jsp?event=429&</u>
- Register <u>HERE</u> to participate in the live audiocast. Audiocasting is made possible by a grant from Farm Credit.
 https://scontent.webcaster4.com/web/October2016FarmFoundationForum

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 <u>website</u>. Presentations and audio files from past Forum sessions are also available at the website.

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Farm Foundation, NFP works as a catalyst for sound public policy by providing objective information to foster a deeper understanding of issues shaping the future for agriculture, food systems and rural regions. The Foundation does not advocate or lobby. Since its founding in 1933, Farm Foundation has been committed to objectivity, fostering the constructive debate that is essential to sound public policy development in a democracy.



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