## BIOSECURITY, BORDERS AND TRADE Nogales, Arizona May 15-16, 2002

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Weds., May 15	
12:00 – 6:00 p.m.	Registration open
4:00 – 7:00 p.m.	Border tour – Actual inspection systems now in place on the U.S./Mexican border
7:45 – 10:00 p.m.	Barbecue dinner (in conjunction with Tri-National Accord meeting)
Thurs., May 16	
7:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.	Registration open
9:00 a.m.	Words of welcome from Jane Hull, Governor of Arizona and Armando Lopez Nogales, Governor of Sonora (Introduced by Sheldon Jones, Director of Agriculture, State of Arizona and Juan Maria Escamilla del Vore, Secretary of Agriculture, State of Sonora)
9:30 a.m.	Biosecurity and U.S. Trade - US Agriculture Secretary Ann Veneman – Introduced by NASDA Pres. Billy Ray Smith
10:00 a.m.	Biosecurity and Mexican Trade - Mexican Agriculture Secretary Javier Usabiaga – Introduced by AMSDA Pres. Enrique Salinas
10:30 a.m.	Break
10:45 a.m.	Biosecurity and Canadian Trade – Phil Ventura, Assistant Deputy Minister, Privy Council Office (Head of Borders Task Force) – Introduced by Canadian delegation head, Hon. Earnest Fage
11:15 a.m.	The Smart Borders Initiative: A Joint Mexico-U.S. Undertaking – Ernesto Ruffo Appel, Commissioner, Mexican Presidential Commission for the Northern Border (invited)
12:00 p.m.	Luncheon – speakers: Jeanne Westphal, Arizona Dept. of Transportation on the Canamex Corridor and Bruce Wright, Assoc. V.P., University of Arizona on the Cyberport
1:45 p.m.	Keeping Railcars Moving on the U.S./Mexican Border – Bob Polka, Union Pacific Railroad
2:15 p.m.	Facilitating Border Movement Through Controls at Origin – Martin Diaz, Latin American Money Services, LLC
2:45 p.m.	Border Procedures in a Just-in-Time Business Environment - Robert Armstrong, President, Canadian Association of Importers and Exporters

3:15 p.m.	Break
3:30 p.m.	Risk Analysis and Effective Biosecurity Programs, Dr. Susan Ferenc, Safrisk LLC
4:15 p.m.	North American Borders: a Canadian Perspective, Hon. Michael Kergin, Canadian Ambassador to the United States (invited)
4:45 p.m.	North American Borders: a Mexican Perspective, Hon. Juan José Bremer, Mexican Ambassador to the United States (invited)
5:15 p.m.	Closing Remarks, Walter Armbruster, President, Farm Foundation
6:00 – 7:30 p.m.	Reception
7:30 p.m.	Dinner – Speaker José A. Cárdenas, Managing Partner, Lewis and Roca LLP on Business and Culture in the Border Region)

## Registration information:

Register on-line at <u>www.kellysolutions.com/BBT</u> (No separate registration is required for participants in the Tri-National Accord meeting.)

Full conference package (includes tour on Wednesday and dinner on Wednesday, coffee breaks, lunch, reception and dinner on Thursday): registration fee of \$180.00

One-day conference package (includes coffee breaks, lunch, reception and dinner on Thursday): registration fee of \$120.00

Important: Conference registration fee does not include accomodations or breakfast at the hotel on the morning of May 16 (available a la carte in the hotel restaurant). Please make your own room reservations with the Rio Rico Resort (1-800-288-4746). Conference room rate of \$69/night (\$79/night double occupancy) will be available until April 18, or until the room block is full. Indicate that you are making a reservation within the "Arizona Department of Agriculture" room block.

<u>Directions</u>: Rio Rico Resort is about 1 ¼ hours from the International Airport in Tucson and 3 hours from the International Airport in Phoenix. A map and directions from Tucson are available on the Resort's web site <a href="https://www.rioricoresort.com">www.rioricoresort.com</a>.