



# **Invasive Species Management**

## **PRESIM Workshop**

**Oct. 19-20, 2006**

# Farm Foundation

- Founded in 1933
- Trustees are leaders in agriculture and agribusiness
- Funding
  - Endowment Income
  - Support from individuals, businesses and government agencies
- Every \$1 invested leverages more than \$9

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- We are unique in the agricultural community, addressing issues impacting the entire industry, not just one region or commodity
- We have a 73-year reputation for objectivity. We do not lobby or advocate positions.
- We promote understanding of issues facing agriculture, the food chain and rural America.

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- Promotes understanding of the relationship among natural resources, human capital, technology, public institutions and society
- Provides an agenda-free environment for discussion and debate of timely economic and policy issues
- Addresses emerging economic and policy issues

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## Program Focus

Environmental and Natural Resources

Globalization

Rural Community Viability

Role of Agricultural Institutions

Consumer Issues

New Technology

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- Outreach
  - Executive summaries
  - *Farm Foundation Issue Reports*
  - Delivering information to target audiences
  - Media releases
  - Farm Foundation Web site  
*[www.farmfoundation.org](http://www.farmfoundation.org)*

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## Current Program Initiatives

- Future of Animal Agriculture in North America
- 2007 Farm Bill Education Work
  - *51 Farm Foundation Issue Reports*
  - Producer Preferences Survey
  - Farm Bill Forums
- Co-ops Conference, November 1-2

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## **Why this project?**

- Explore the consequences of alternative public and private approaches to natural resource policy, management and regulations.



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- Goal: More informed public policy
  - Supply private and public decision makers with informative economic analysis.
  - Identify gaps in research/analysis and set a future research agenda.
  - Increase public understanding of the issues by fostering dialogue and building networks.