



Director Mark Killian of the Arizona Department of Agriculture (AZDA) and Tom Davis, president of the Agribusiness & Water Council of Arizona (ABWC) are requesting that you reserve Monday, December 10th, 2018, 7:00 am to 3:00 pm, for the 4th Annual Agribusiness Roundtable: “What is the Future of Arizona Agriculture? The Good, The Bad and the Unknown.”

We will be meeting at Salt River Project's PERA Club, 1 E. Continental Drive Tempe, Arizona.

The Agribusiness Roundtable is an opportunity to meet as leaders and colleagues to discuss important agribusiness related issues in the state of Arizona and beyond.

We are pleased to announce that Ted McKinney, the USDA Undersecretary for Trade, will be our Keynote Speaker for this event. He will discuss the Trump Administration’s policy and the current efforts to bring better trade for American agriculture.

Also we have a panel of National Agriculture Journalists who will bring their unique perspective to a “round-up” of issues facing American agriculture today and in the near future. We will also discuss Water Issues, Anti-agriculture Animal Rights Issues, Agriculture Labor Issues, Consumer Food Trends and the opportunity to grow Hemp in Arizona. Breakfast and lunch will be provided.

We know your time is valuable, but hope that you will attend, get acquainted and network with agribusiness colleagues, show how important your business is, and why agriculture is the key to Arizona’s future. There are some great opportunities to help sponsor this year’s Roundtable. Most of all we would like you to come and participate and enjoy the association. Please feel free to share this invitation with others who may be interested.

We hope to see you on Monday December 10th!

Sincerely,

Mark W. Killian
Director, Dept. of Agriculture

Tom Davis
President, ABWC

**Arizona Department of Agriculture
&
Agribusiness & Water Council of Arizona**

**What is the Future of Arizona Agriculture?
*The Good, the Bad & the Unknown***

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Monday
December 10, 2018
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**SRP PERA Club
1 E. Continental Dr.
Tempe, Arizona**

**Arizona
Agribusiness
Roundtable**

Registration

Name:

Affiliation:

Address:

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Email Address:

Monday December 10, 2018

7:00 am—Registration, Breakfast, Networking
8:00 am Program Begins

to 3:00 pm

SRP PERA Club

Early Bird Tickets \$50

After December 3rd \$75

Make check payable to: Agribusiness & Water
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What is the Future of Arizona Agriculture - *The Good, the Bad, & the Unknown*

The 2018 Arizona Agribusiness Roundtable will look at a number of “Hot Topics” and how these topics affect agribusiness in Arizona. The program includes a well-respected group of national agriculture journalists and other professionals in the field of agriculture to share their view of Agriculture today, tomorrow and in the future.

This collaborative effort by the Arizona Department of Agriculture and the Agribusiness & Water Council of Arizona offers an opportunity for you to ask questions, share your views and network with fellow ag professionals.

Agribusiness is a vast support structure that forms one of the largest economic segments on this planet. It is a significant contributor to the gross domestic product of every country on this globe. It is a huge and essential industry, yet in the eyes of many it is invisible. We need to understand how we can help protect and insure the viability of this important and powerful industry for our state, country and the world.

This meeting is for farmers, ranchers, agribusiness bankers, investors and finance people, equipment suppliers, seed and crop protection services, crop and livestock support services, energy providers, water providers, agricultural educators, veterinarians and other agribusinesses. Bring your voice to the table!



Keynote Speaker

Ted McKinney

Under Secretary of Agriculture for
Trade and Foreign Agricultural Affairs

Speakers

Lynn Jacquez

Principal & Managing Partner
CJ Lake LLC

Brian McGrew

Industrial Hemp Program Manager
Arizona Department of Agriculture

Jim Manos

CFO
Hickman Egg Farm

Ed Gerak

Executive Director
Arizona Power Authority

Tim McCabe

President
Arizona Food Marketing Alliance
and more...

Journalist Panel

Caren Cowan

Publisher
New Mexico Stockman & Livestock Market Digest

Chuck Jolley

President, Writer & Editor
Jolley & Associates—*Drovers, Food Safety News, Dairy Herd*

John Phipps

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