

Agritourism: Is It For Your Farm or Ranch? Workshop Agenda April 22, 2008

San Juan Basin Technical College Industry Training Center 33057 Hwy. 160 Mancos, CO 81328

9:00 Registration

9:30 Welcome, Introductions and Setting the Stage for Change

10:00 Assessing Your Resource Base: Financial, Resource & Operational Needs Dennis Kaan, Colorado State University Extension Dawn Thilmany, Colorado State University

10:45 Engaging Your Community

Mike Preston, Dolores Water Conservancy District

11:30 A View From the Field: Panel Discussion with Agritourism Operators Kelli Hepler, Delta County Tourism LaVonne Heaton, East Pines Ranch Doug Caskey, Colorado Wine Industry Development Board Guy Drew, Guy Drew Vineyards

12:30 Lunch

1:15 Understanding Legal Implications for Agritourism Operators *Dick Emmett, Attorney*

Regulatory Issues in Agritourism: Overview of key regulations on public lands access, local land use & other key issues *Martha Sullins, Colorado State University Extension*

- 2:30 Developing Heritage Tourism Laura Libby, Colorado Tourism Office
- 3:15 Branding Your Product & Strategic Positioning: Creating an Image for Your Operation Dawn Thilmany, Colorado State University Wendy White, Colorado Department of Agriculture
- 4:00 Closing Remarks

Register

What: Agritourism Conference When: April 22, 2008 Where: San Juan Basin Technical College 33057 Hwy. 160 Mancos, CO 81328 Cost: \$25.00 The registration fee includes lunch and a workbook on Colorado agritourism business development.

Please RSVP by April 14, 2008 to:

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Turn off the highway into the parking lot. The workshop will be in the Industry Training Center building, a long, tan building with the ITC logo on the side. It is the second building on the left hand side.

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ORGANIZATION:
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TOTAL ATTENDING: @ \$25 EACH = \$
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