

AFREC Summer Meeting Agenda

Location: Central Lakes Ag Center, Staples, MN

Dates: August 25-26, 2021. CLC Field Days August 27

Scenario One: Assumes that most activities will take place within a 15 mile radius of the CLC. This plan is the fall back if the tour at the Lamb Weston potato processing plant is not available or that there is not enough time in the schedule.

Wednesday, August 25

AM—drive time to Staples

Noon-1 PM

Catered lunch at the CLC Campus

1:00-1:15 PM

Welcome by Grant Anderson—AFREC Chair

Self Introductions—All members and alternates

Brief overview of the upcoming two days—Grant and Bruce

Introduction to Keith Olander and possibly other administrators

1:15-1:45 PM

Welcome by Keith Olander

Mission of the CLC—Center for Ag Excellence

1:45-2:15 PM

Update on Fertilizer Sales and Funding Level for Next RFP—MDA staff

The Last Ten Year—What Did AFREC Achieve?-Bruce

2:15-2:30 PM

Break

2:30-4:00 PM

Research Priorities-Sharing Ideas Facilitated by Bruce

4:00 PM

Travel to hotel (Staples) for check in

5:00-6:00 PM

Catered supper at the hotel facility

6:00-7:00 PM

Wrap up research priority discussion

Happy Hour and visiting

Thursday, August 26

8:00 AM-11:30 AM

Board bus for the following sites:

General irrigation research plots

Kernza LCCMR Project

RDO potato seed production and storage

Byron Water Quality site

Potato research issues—Rosen and RDO staff

Manure proficiency program facility—MDA/CLC

12:00 Noon-12:45

Catered lunch at CLC

1:00 PM-3:00 PM Research Updates

Six to eight project updates TBD

Suggest projects with a coarse textured soils component such as work by Vasu, Carl, Dan, Fabian, and Melissa

3:00-5:00 PM

AFREC Business meeting

Potential topics: 1 Preliminary Discuss on the 2025 Sunset Clause; 2) Proposed projects for the new ROC; 3) MDA Staff update