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## **NOTICE TO NFU MANITOBA MEMBERS**

### **REGION 5 CONVENTION**

*Theme: Farmers for an Ecological and Just Post-COVID Recovery*

*Dear NFU Member,*

COVID-19 is changing conventions all around the world this year. The NFU has your health as a top priority, so the NFU will be hosting the Manitoba Regional Convention virtually using Zoom. **We have included in this mailing detailed instructions on how to connect remotely through both internet and telephone**, so those members without internet coverage can still participate fully.

If you have any concerns about connecting to this Convention, please contact Tim Lapp at [lapp@nfu.ca](mailto:lapp@nfu.ca) or 613-893-5416. He will answer any questions and help you join in. Don't let COVID-19 keep you from connecting!

#### **PLEASE NOTE:**

Members **WILL BE REQUIRED** to register to participate in the Zoom meeting.  
SEE ENCLOSED INFORMATION ON HOW TO REGISTER

#### **Social Hour & Zoom Warmup**

**Wednesday, July 15, 6:30 - 7:30 PM**

*Join us to learn how to participate fully in the Convention and to reconnect.*

#### **Region 5 Convention**

**Wednesday, July 22, 6:30 - 9:30 PM**

#### **Region 5 Follow-Up Meeting to Finalize Resolutions**

**Wednesday, July 29, 6:30 - 8 PM**

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## **CONVENTION AGENDA - Wednesday, July 22:**

- 6:30 PM**      **Call to Order**  
**Introductions**
- 6:40 PM**      **Welcome by the NFU National President, Katie Ward**
- 6:45 PM**      **Minutes of Prior Meeting**
- 6:50 PM**      **Manitoba Updates & Issues** *(with Q & A to follow):*
- Regional Coordinator's Report, Ian Robson
  - MB Alternative Budget, Dean Harder
  - Women's Report, Anastasia Fyk
  - Youth Report, Justin Levesque
  - IPC Report, Murray Jowett
- 7:25 PM**      **Manitoba-Specific Issues:**
- Local Cheese Concerns
  - Direct Market Insurance
  - Local and Urban Food Issues
  - Other Topics and thoughts from members
- 8:05 PM**      **Manitoba Elections** *(Board members, Women's Advisor, Youth Advisor, IPC rep)*
- 8:15 PM**      **National Issues**
- 8:45 PM**      **Climate Change in Agriculture: Policies that could make a Difference**
- Speaker: Darrin Qualman, NFU Director of Climate Crisis Policy & Action**
- Members are encouraged to read the NFU's Fact Sheets on climate change and emissions ([www.nfu.ca/publications/tackling-the-farm-crisis-and-the-climate-crisis/](http://www.nfu.ca/publications/tackling-the-farm-crisis-and-the-climate-crisis/)) or the full report: *Tackling the Farm Crisis and the Climate Crisis*.
- It's your chance to discuss: What policy and action is needed by the government and by farmers to reduce GHGs? What should we prioritize?
- 9:15 PM**      **Resolutions and Ideas**  
***(Note: there is a separate resolutions meeting scheduled for Wednesday, July 29 at 6:30 PM)***
- 9:30 PM**      **Adjournment**

We hope you can join us to continue working for fair conditions for farmers, their families and our society.



Ian Robson, Region 5 (MB) Regional Coordinator