

Rural Economic Outlook Conference

October 13, 2021

Stillwater, Oklahoma

OSU Alumni Center – Click Family Alumni Hall

Agenda

- 8:00 am Breakfast and registration
- 8:45 am **Welcome,**
Cheryl DeVuyst, OSU Agricultural Economics Department Head and Professor
- 9:00 am **U.S Agricultural Economy: Situation and Outlook**
Rob Fox, Director, Knowledge Exchange Division, CoBank
- 10:00 am Break
- 10:15 am **Departmental Research Update**
Courtney Bir, OSU Agricultural Economics Assistant Professor
- 10:45 am **Rural Broadband in Oklahoma**
Brian Whitacre, OSU Agricultural Economics Professor
- 11:15 am **Small Meat Processing**
Rodney Holcomb, OSU Agricultural Economics Professor
- 11:45 am **Undergraduate Update** – Aggie-X Representative
Graduate Update – GSA Representative
- Noon Catered Lunch
- 1:00 pm **Agricultural Trade Outlook**
Kent Bacus, Director of International Trade and Market Access, Trade Policy Division, National Cattlemen’s Beef Association
- 2:00 pm Break
- 2:15 pm Rapid Fire Outlook Panel:

Ag Finance Topics, Rodney Jones, OSU Agricultural Economics Farm Credit Chair

Grain Markets, Kim Anderson, OSU Agricultural Economics Professor Emeritus

Livestock Markets, Derrell Peel, OSU Agricultural Economics Charles Breedlove Professor
- 3:15 pm **Wrap up/Evaluation**
- 3:30 pm **Adjourn**