



MEDIA ADVISORY

Joint BCAC / IAF / AgSafe Annual General Meetings Coming to Abbotsford

April 4, 2018 – Victoria, B.C. The B.C. Agriculture Council (BCAC), the Investment Agriculture Foundation of B.C. (IAF) and AgSafe will hold their respective Annual General Meetings in Abbotsford on April 12, 2018.

Date: Thursday, April 12, 2018

Location: Quality Hotel & Conference Centre
36035 North Parallel Road
Abbotsford, B.C.
Pinnacle 2

Agenda:

8:30am to 9:15am

IAF Annual General Meeting

Join chair, Ken Bates, treasurer, Bert Miles and executive director, Michelle Koski, as they provide highlights of IAF's activities and financial statements for 2017.

9:15am to 9:45am

AgSafe Annual General Meeting

AgSafe outgoing chair, Ralph McGinn will present the 2017 annual report and financial statements. AgSafe member representatives will affirm the AgSafe board of directors, and incoming chair, Don Dahr will be introduced.

9:45am to 10am

Coffee break & Registration

10am to 11:15am

BCAC Annual General Meeting

BCAC chair, Stan Vander Waal, and treasurer, Ray VanMarrewyk, will present the 2017 Directors' Report and financial statements. Voting delegates from BCAC member associations will affirm the BCAC board of directors and approve the 2018 budget.

11:15am to 11:45am

ARDCorp Annual General Meeting

ARDCorp chair, Allen James, will present the 2017 Directors' Report. Voting delegates (BCAC Directors) will affirm the board of directors.

11:45am-12:30pm (Pinnacle 2 and Lobby)

Registered Buffet Luncheon*

*Space is limited. Please RSVP for the lunch to Sarah at srostami@iafbc.ca

12:30pm to 2:00pm

Keynote Speaker

Andrew Campbell, Ontario dairy farmer and communicator with Fresh Air Media will present on building trust through technology. IAF will also present the 2018 Award of Excellence for Innovation.

2:00pm to 3:30pm (Lobby)

Project Showcase

The showcase will feature an exhibit of almost 40 projects by IAF clients that are inspiring new ideas and approaches in B.C. agriculture, and will offer a forum to explore partnership and funding opportunities.

BC Agriculture Council (BCAC) is the only provincial-wide general farm organization representing the farmers and ranchers of British Columbia. BCAC proudly serves nearly 30 commodity associations who in turn generate 96% of the farm gate sales in BC. Visit www.bcac.ca

IAF is an industry-led not-for-profit that strategically invests federal and provincial funds in support of innovative projects that benefit the agriculture and agri-food industry in B.C. For more information on IAF and the programs it delivers, visit www.iafbc.ca

AgSafe (formerly FARSHA) is the non-profit health and safety association for agricultural producers, providing on-site training, consultation and resources throughout British Columbia. AgSafe's membership includes all agricultural employers in the province. Visit www.agsafebc.ca

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