BFRDP ANNUAL MEETING

University of Illinois-Champaign Urbana

MEETING LOCATION TBD

Host: Dr. Xinlei Wang, Department of Agricultural and Biological Engineering

Wednesday, August 7, 2019 – Thursday, August 8, 2019

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 7, 2019

8:00am – 9:00am	Welcome, Coffee and Introductions
9:00pm – 12:00pm	USDA Regional Farm Energy Group Meeting
	Welcome
	Administrative Update from a USDA Representative
	Station Reports (10-15 minutes per station)
	Planning Discussion
12:00pm – 1:00pm	LUNCH
1:00pm – 1:30pm	Beginner Farmer and Rancher Energy Project Overview
	Dr. Daniel Ciolkosz - Welcome
	Dr. Siobhan Fathel - Outcomes of the Survey, Goals Achieved, Future Plans
1:30pm – 2:00pm	Individual Team Member Overview
	Each team member will provide an update on project goals and accomplishments
2:00pm – 2:15pm	Report on Available Farm Energy Education Programs
	Presentation which reports the available farm energy college-based education
	programs which includes an overview and apparent trends in education available.
2:15pm – 2:30pm	COFFEE BREAK
2:30pm – 3:30pm	Session #1: Review of Current Videos and Materials
	We will review completed videos and materials in effort to evaluate the end- product and provide guidance for future content.
3:30pm – 4:30pm	Session #2: Tips and Techniques for Effective Videos
	Kay Dimarco will provide an overview of common techniques for better videos
	including an introduction to easy-to-use software for production.
7:00pm	Group Dinner?

THURSDAY, AUGUST 8, 2019

8:00am – 9:00am	Coffee
9:00am – 10:00am	Session #3: Beginning Farmer and Rancher Website
	Discussion will include input from a USDA representative to better define what the
	website will look like and what specifically should be included in the energy toolbox.
10:00am – 11:00am	Session #4: Creation of Complementary Materials
	Examples of companion material for the energy videos will be provided. Discussion
	topics will include: universal formatting, important components, and depth of focus.
11:00am – 12:00 pm	Session #4: Breakout Sessions
	Session will provide time for team members with similar focuses to brainstorm and
	further develop video and content ideas.
12:00pm – 1:00pm	LUNCH
1:00pm – 3:00pm	Tour of Geothermal Facilities at University of Illinois

AIRPORT AND LODGING RECOMMENDATIONS

AIRPORT

University of Illinois – Willard Airport (CMI)

For reference:

Chicago O'Hare International Airport – approximately 2.5 hours away

LODGING

On-Campus

TownePlace Suites by Marriott Champaign Urbana

603 S 6th St, Champaign, IL 61820, Phone: (217) 344-1600

https://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/cmpts-towneplace-suites-champaign-urbana-campustown/

Near Campus

I hotel

1900 S 1st St, Champaign, IL 61820, Phone: (217) 819-5000

https://stayatthei.com/

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1501 S Neil St, Champaign, IL 61820, Phone: (217) 352-9970

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