



2022 **FAMILY FARM ALLIANCE ANNUAL CONFERENCE**

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Join “those in the arena” and see how meaningful solutions to Western water challenges are forged at the Silver Legacy Resort for the Family Farm Alliance’s 2022 Annual Meeting and Conference!

FEB 24 - 25, 2022

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RENO, NEVADA

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The 2021 Western drought was unprecedented in scope and impact to family farmers and ranchers. Once reliable water supplies were diminished due to extreme drought conditions and, in some cases, government regulatory decisions. While it defies common sense that something as essential as food production can be taken for granted and viewed as a backburner priority by some, the 2021 drought underscored this sad reality.

Maintaining food independence for this Nation is more than just providing a healthy, abundant, and transparent food supply – it is also a matter of national security. As diets evolve and the global population continues to expand, our Nation's position as the world's largest food exporter will play an increasingly significant role in the global economy.

Despite the critical role Western producers play to make all of this happen, some are starting to feel that their way of life is being written off by faraway critics who appear to believe that the drought tragedy occurring in many parts of the West is a comeuppance that farmers and ranchers somehow deserve.

During a drought, it often seems like much attention is given to the critic, who has never managed water resources or implemented projects to improve water management or habitat for water-dependent species. Somehow, the detractors always seem to have the "simple" answer to the problem at hand. Inevitably, these critics focus on their favorite beneficial use of water, which they favor at the expense of other important uses.

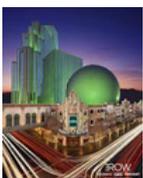
We still hold a sliver of hope that critical thinkers and leaders will easily distinguish this nonsense from reality. There is a clear distinction to the farmers, ranchers and water managers of the Family Farm Alliance between those who are actively working, and the observers offering only critiques.

Alliance members are actively engaged, looking for ways to solve water challenges. On the outside are a myriad of outside interests who have no problem sharing their criticism and harmful strategies.

Alliance members work every day to ensure that irrigated agriculture continues to play a vital role in feeding our Nation, while keeping our rural communities and the environment healthy.

And they are prepared once again to gather together with prominent Western water policy makers for the insightful, outside-the-box presentations and discussions you've come to expect from the West's most effective grassroots irrigated agricultural organization. It's happening this February at "The Biggest Little City in the World".

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2022 PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

Report from Glasgow – The 26th United Nations Climate Change Conference of the Parties (COP26) recently took place in Glasgow, Scotland. Alliance President Pat O'Toole and his wife Sharon were part of a team of American farmers and ranchers who traveled there to inject some common sense into global talks regarding agriculture's role in climate change. Hear from Pat and other leaders of Solutions from the Land who served as delegates at COP26, advocating that farmers must be at the center of all discussions and decision-making.

The Western Water Infrastructure Coalition – The bipartisan infrastructure bill signed into law by President Biden in November includes \$8.3 billion for Western water infrastructure, a "once in a generation" funding investment by the federal government. Hear from the leaders of the Western coalition about the "behind the scenes" politics and strategy that drove this initiative, and their perspectives on what must be done to ensure these dollars serve their intended purpose.

Colorado River – The 2007 "Interim Guidelines for Lower Basin Shortages and the Coordinated Operations for Lake Powell and Lake Mead," are set to expire in 2026. As stakeholders in the Colorado River Basin— including water agencies, states, Native American tribes and nongovernmental organizations — prepare to develop a new set of river operating guidelines, agricultural water users from the headwaters to the Mexican border are also coordinating their efforts. Hear how agricultural water interests from the Continental Divide to the Mexican border are helping decision-makers in the basin deal with the harsh realities of current and future water shortages due to drought and over-allocation of water.

Technology and Innovation in Western Water Management – Western farmers and ranchers face a variety of water supply reliability challenges. See what Family Farm Alliance members are doing to address these challenges, underscoring how the best solutions are locally driven and collaborative.

Plus — Western regulatory and litigation updates, appearances by top Biden Administration appointees, and much, much more!

CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

FEBRUARY 24

8:00 AM - 5:00 PM
CONFERENCE SESSION

EVENING
COCKTAIL RECEPTION

FEBRUARY 25

8:00 AM - 12:00 PM
CONFERENCE SESSION

12:30 PM - 3:30 PM
**Tour the Derby Dam Fish Screen:
Restoring Truckee River fish passage to
historical spawning grounds. Co-
hosted by the Family Farm Alliance and
Farmers Conservation Alliance.**

CHECK OUT THESE RETURNING ANNUAL CONFERENCE TRADITIONS:

Reclamation Roundtable

U.S. Bureau of Reclamation
Commissioner Camille Touton, Regional
Directors and other top Reclamation
officials will discuss critical Western
water issues in this time-honored
annual conference tradition.

A Look at D.C. From the Hill

Mark Limbaugh moderates this panel of
Democrat and Republican staff from key
congressional water committees, who
will provide diverse perspectives on key
developments in the 117th Congress.
Get the inside scoop on how the new
Administration and Congress will tackle
Western water and environmental
challenges.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON TOUR

DERBY DAM FISH SCREEN: RESTORING TRUCKEE RIVER FISH PASSAGE TO HISTORICAL SPAWNING GROUNDS



The Derby Dam Fish Screen is the result of two decades of concentrated efforts by U.S. Bureau of Reclamation working with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's Lahontan National Fish Hatchery Complex and Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe to restore connectivity for the threatened Lahontan Cutthroat Trout (LCT). The fish, once thought to be extinct, can now successfully move from Pyramid Lake, past Derby Dam, for spawning.

This project, at the site of one of the first ever Reclamation projects in the west, was constructed in just over one year. The screen is the largest horizontal fish screen in the nation and provides access to important upstream rearing and spawning habitat for threatened LCT for the first time since 1905. In addition, this project restores watershed connectivity as well as supports agriculture, fishing, and recreation in western Nevada.

Participants will have the opportunity to see the fish screen in operation and up close, as well as meet with members of the Farmers Screen team.

Schedule

12:30	Depart Silver Legacy
1:15-1:30	Anticipated arrival at Derby Dam Fish Screen
1:30	Onsite Tour and overview of Derby Dam Fish Screen
2:30-2:45	Anticipated departure project site
3:30	Arrive at Silver Legacy



Annual Conference Registration Form
February 24 & 25, 2022
Silver Legacy Resort, Reno, Nevada

Name(s): 1. _____ 2. _____
3. _____ 4. _____

Company: _____

Mailing Address: _____ City, State, Zip _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____ Email: _____

- **Super Saver Registration** # _____ @ \$469.00 \$ _____
(by December 17, 2021)
 - **Early Registration** # _____ @ \$499.00 \$ _____
(by January 28, 2022)
 - **Full Registration** # _____ @ \$529.00 = \$ _____
(after January 28, 2022)
 - **Extra Thursday Luncheon Ticket** # _____ @ \$65.00 = \$ _____
(Must be spouse or guest of registered attendee; please list names):

 - **Friday Derby Dam Fish Screen Tour** # _____ @ \$45 = \$ _____
(Includes lunch)
- TOTAL DUE** \$ _____

PAYMENT INFORMATION

____ Check Enclosed (payable to Family Farm Alliance)

____ Credit Card (*Visa, MasterCard, American Express and Discover*)

Card Number: _____ Exp. Date: _____ Security Code*: _____

Name on Card (Print Please): _____

Signature of Card Holder: _____

*Cardholder waives signature requirement if form is submitted by return email

Billing Address (if different than above): _____

REFUND POLICY: There is a \$15 fee for cancellations at any time. Cancellations before January 28 will be refunded in full less the \$15 cancellation fee. Cancellations between January 28 and February 11 will be refunded at 50% of the registration paid less the \$15 cancellation fee. There will be NO refunds for cancellations received after February 11th.

Complete registration and return to jane@familyfarmalliance.org
By mail: Family Farm Alliance, P.O. Box 1705, Clearlake Oaks, CA 95423 or Fax: 707-327-0263

ONLINE REGISTRATION IS AVAILABLE AT www.familyfarmalliance.org/events

For more information, visit the conference website, or call us at 916-206-7186, or email jane@familyfarmalliance.org



Annual Conference Hotel Reservations 2022 Room Rates: A Great Reno Value!

SILVER LEGACY

AT THE ROW

Special Family Farm Alliance Rate:

Nights of February 22-24

\$55/night + resort fee + tax

Upgrades Available at Discounted Rates

(A limited number of reduced rate rooms are also available for the nights of Friday and Saturday, February 25 & 26, see information below for details)

Room Reservation Deadline: January 22, 2022 or until our block is filled.

Make your reservations directly with the Silver Legacy:

- Online through hotel link at: <https://www.familyfarmalliance.org/events/>
- By phone: (866) 985-9771, refer to booking code FFA0222

IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

- All hotel room reservations must be made directly with the Silver Legacy online or by phone.
- Be sure to mention Family Farm Alliance (code FFA0222) to get the special rate.
- Rates cannot be changed at check-in or check-out for guests who fail to identify their affiliation at the time of the reservation.
- Reservations must be received by the Silver Legacy by January 22, 2022 to receive guaranteed group rate.
- Reservations after January 22 are subject to availability and may be at a higher rate.
- All room reservations are subject to a Resort Fee of \$25/day (discounted)
- The Silver Legacy requires a one night deposit on all rooms. Credit cards will be charged for one night by the hotel when the reservation is made.
- Cancellations/changes to reservations must be made directly with Silver Legacy Reservations Department at 866-985-9771.
- Charges are fully refundable up to 48 hours of scheduled arrival date. Cancellations made after 48 hours of scheduled arrival will be charged for one night.

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If you need more information, please contact us at 916-206-7186 or jane@familyfarmalliance.org