

ACG HORIZONS CONFERENCE

Ramkota River Centre • Pierre, SD • December 2nd, 2025

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GENERAL SESSIONS & BREAKOUT TOPICS:

Marketing Concepts
Soil & Water Quality
Weed Management
Disease & Insect Control
Farm Management Practices
Livestock Integration
Estate Planning
Exhibitors
Association Annual Meetings
(12 CEU's Available)

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Conference Hosts:

SD Crop Improvement Association • SD Oilseeds Council • SD Pulse Growers
SD Seed Trade Association • SD Soil Health Coalition • SD Wheat Growers Association
No-Till Association

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Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Per person cost if pre-registered by November 15, 2025 is \$100.00. After November 15, 2025 cost is \$125.00

Do you have any dietary (including food allergies) or special accommodation needs we should be aware of?

Name of Attendee	Please check meal participation		Registration Fee
	Breakfast	Lunch	Full Conference \$100.00
Late Fee After November 15, 2025 + \$25.00 per person			
Total			

Return form and check to: Ag Horizons Conference • PO Box 667 • Pierre, SD 57501

Register and pay at www.sdwga.org by November 15, 2025

Room Reservation Information		
Ramkota RiverCentre	Phone 605-224-6877	Single or Double \$112.00
Reservations @ pierreramkota.com		
Ask for Ag Horizons block		
♦ ♦ ♦ ♦ Reservation deadline for convention room rate is November 15, 2025 ♦ ♦ ♦ ♦		

Questions or Comments: Call 605-222-1919 or email: sdwga@midco.net

2025 Ag Horizons Schedule

(Subject to Change)

7:30 – 8:00			Breakfast — Registration Check-in Open — Lobby
8:00 – 8:05	Opening Remarks		Welcome from Secretary Hunter Roberts, SD DANR — Amphitheater I
8:05 – 9:00	General Session	PM	Is weed management in South Dakota all doom and gloom or is there hope? — Dr. Eric Jones, SDSU Professor/Extension Weed Specialist Amphitheater I
9:00 – 9:50	Breakout Session	SW	Managing Soil and Water Quality for Productive and Resilient Cropping Systems — Kent Vlieger, NRCS State Soil Health Specialist — Amphitheater I
9:00 – 9:50	Breakout Session	CM	Laser Scarecrow and Smarter Nitrogen Use with Crops as Biosensors and Satellite Imagery — Dr. Ali Nafchi, SDSU Precision Agriculture Professor/Extension Specialist — Amphitheater II
10:00 – 10:50	Breakout Session	CM	2025-2026 Climate Review and Outlook — Laura Edwards, SDSU State Climatologist — Amphitheater I
10:00 – 10:50	Breakout Session	CM	Soil 101 to 2.0 with South Dakota Soil Coalition — Producer Panel of SD Soil Coalition Board of Directors — Amphitheater II
11:00 – 11:50	General Session	PD	Financial Performance of Production Agriculture Past, Present & Future — Nate Franzén, First Dakota Ag Banking President — Amphitheater I
12:00 Noon	Lunch & Keynote	PD	Charting the Course of Wheat Exports Amid Uncertainty — Julia Debes, U.S. Wheat Associate — Sponsored by the South Dakota Wheat Commission — Gallery B&C
1:30 – 2:20	General Session	PD	Celebrity Producers take the Post-Harvest Challenge — Ed Usset, U of MN Grain Marketing Economist — Amphitheater I
2:30 – 3:20	Breakout Session	IP	Speaker Panel: Clean Water, Endangered Species & Pesticide Policy: Regulatory Updates and Implications for South Dakota Agriculture, — Aaron Ward, DANR Water Quality Program Administrator and Rebecca Perin, EPA Region 8 Agriculture Advisor — Amphitheater I
2:30 – 3:20	Breakout Session	CM	Peas and Chickpeas in South Dakota: 2025 Crop Performance Insights — Dr. Chris Graham, SDSU Professor/Extension Agronomist — Amphitheater II
3:30 – 3:45	Break		Visit with Exhibitors and Enjoy Cookies Sponsored by Farm Credit Services of America — Lobby
3:45 – 4:45	Breakout Session	PA	Emerging SDSU Technologies: Virtual Yield Mapping, Precision Cover Cropping, and Mapping Soybean N-Credit Variability — Dr. Ali Nafchi, SDSU Precision Agriculture Professor/Extension Specialist — Amphitheater I
3:45 – 4:45	Breakout Session	PD	Keeping the Farm in the Family: Estate and Succession Planning in a Changing Tax Landscape — Luke Edwards, Pierre CPA — Amphitheater II
5:00 – 6:00	Annual Meeting		South Dakota Wheat Growers Association — Gallery D
5:00 – 5:30	Annual Meeting		South Dakota Crop Improvement Association — Lake Sharpe
5:30 – 6:00	Annual Meeting		South Dakota Seed Trade Association — Lake Sharpe
6:00			Night on the Town — Dinner on your own

Certified Crop Advisor Program Continuing Education Units (CEU's – 12 available)

Additional sponsors include BNSF Railway and Syngenta Crop Protection.

Also, plan to visit with many exhibitors from a variety of industries!

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