



## On-Boarding Information for New Agricultural Professionals

### **Agenda**

**Wednesday, February 11<sup>th</sup>**

**Paragon Casino Resort, Chiqui Ballroom**

**8.25 AM Introduction, Purpose, and Agenda** - B. R. Leonard

### **Agricultural Organizations / Agencies - State**

**8.30 AM Louisiana Agricultural Consultants Association** – Richard Griffing (Incoming President, 2026)

**8.45 AM LSU Agricultural Center** – Dr. Daniel Stephenson (Director Central Region)

**9.00 AM Louisiana Department of Agriculture and Forestry** – Ansel Rankins, Jr. (Assistant Director)

**9.15 AM Louisiana Farm Bureau / State Crop Commodity Groups** – Andy Brown (Director of Commodities and Public Policy)

### **Agricultural Organizations / Agencies National / Federal**

**9.30 AM NRCS** – Sarah Trichel (State Conservationist)

**9.45 AM FSA** – Craig McCain (State Executive Director)

**10.00 AM NAICC** – Denise Wright (Former Board Member)

**10.15 AM Agricultural Industries** – Kyle Fontenot, Bayer (LACA Allied Industry Committee Chair)

**10.30 AM Break**

**10.45 AM LACA Member Forum**

**Client / Employee Management** - Hank Jones (RHJ Ag Services, LLC )

**Business Management** - Ashley Peters (Peters Crop Consulting)

**Professional Development** – Harold Lambert (Lambert Agricultural Consulting)

**Information Technology / Sources** - Blaine Viator (Calvin Viator, PhD & Assoc., LLC)

**11.45 AM Future of Decision Support Systems in Agriculture (One Example)** – Colin Raby (CEO and CFO, FarmMind)

