

[topics or presenters may change]

3rd Texas Hispanic Farmer and Rancher Conference

Growing Together, Creciendo Juntos

FARMING SESSIONS

Tuesday, January 5th

1pm to 4:30pm

Samantha Salinas, NRCS

Resources and Regs

Juan & Shakera Raygoza, Terra Preta Farm and UTRGV

Farming Equipment & Tools (Spanish)

Rafael Guerrero, Director of Central National Technology Support Center

Inspirational Leadership

Colin Mitchell, NCAT

Stephannie Kasper, UTRGV

Panel: Soil Health with Cover Crops

SMALL-SCALE SESSIONS

Wednesday, January 6th

1pm to 4:30pm

Michael Higgins, Urban Conservationist

NRCS Urban Conservation Program

Cruz Salinas, Salinas Farm and UTRGV

High Tunnel Uses & Resources (Spanish)

Mike Morris, NCAT

Inspirational Leadership

Bertha Venegas, NRCS

Erika Archie, Rural Development

Veronica Crum, Farm Service Agency

Shelly Bilderback, Risk Management Agency

Panel: USDA Beginning Farmer Team

RANCHING SESSIONS

Thursday, January 7th

1pm to 4:30pm

Michael Margo, National Grazing Lands Coordinator

National Grazing Lands Coalition

Alejandro Carrillo, Pasicultores del Desierto

Regenerative Agriculture (Spanish)

Kristy Oates, Texas NRCS State Conservationist

Inspirational Leadership

Kara Kroeger, NCAT

James Jones, Justapor Ranch Company

Panel: Conservation on the Ranch

Tuesday, January 12

1pm to 4:30pm

Justin Duncan, NCAT

Cover Crops for Hot & Humid Regions

Vidal Saenz, AgNR Texas A&M AgriLife

Farm Loans (Spanish)

Hernan Colmenero, IDEA Farm Manager

Inspirational Leadership

Yahweh Natural Farm

Panelist

Panel: Marketing During a Pandemic

Wednesday, January 13th

1pm to 4:30pm

Kara Kroeger, NCAT

Soil Diversity

Diana & Saul Padilla, HOPE

Farm Diversification (Spanish)

Salvador Salinas, Regional Conservationist

Inspirational Leadership

Nelda Barrera, Texas Dept of Agriculture

Sergio Perlata, Sustainable Food Center

Panel: Marketing During a Pandemic

Thursday, January 14th

1pm to 4:30pm

Megan Clayton, Texas AgriLife

Livestock Grazing Practices to Protect Soils

Jessica Benavides Paredes, District Conservationist

NRCS Programs for Ranchers (Spanish)

Alexis Racelis, UTRGV

Inspirational Leadership

Dustin Peele, D&P MeatWork

Stephanie Martinez, 2F Akaushi Beef

Panel: Marketing During a Pandemic