

NOPHNRCSCE Annual Training Agenda
Minnesota 2007

Conference Theme:
NOPHNRCSCE, Creating Leaders to Conserve America for Future Generations.

Sunday, August 5, 2007

	<u>NOPHNRCSCE - Team Planning Sessions</u>	<u>Room</u>
7:00 PM – 8:00 PM	Planning Team Meeting	Cambridge

Monday, August 6, 2007

	Topic	Room
8:00 am – 5:00 pm	HEPM training	Bristol/Oxford
8:00 am – 4:00 pm	NOPHNRCSCE Conference Registration	Lobby/ coat room
8:00 AM – 5:00 PM	Exhibits & Technical Posters Set Up	Lobby
9:30 AM- 10:30 AM	Exhibits Team Meeting	London
8:00 AM – 9:00 AM	National Council Meeting	Minnetonka Suite
11:00 AM – 12: 00 PM	Moderators Planning Meeting	London
1:00 PM – 4:30 PM	MN Civil Rights Committee	London
1:30 PM- 3:30	NOPHNRCSCE president meeting with invited Hispanic Organizations' Presidents	Minnetonka Suite
5:30 pm – 6:30 pm	Presidents Welcome No Host Reception Networking Session	Court Yard/ Grand Ballroom
6:30 pm – 8:00 pm	NOPHNRCSCE Business Meeting	Grand Ballroom

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Tuesday, August 7, 2007

NEDC Trainings

All NEDC trainings are as follows	Room
Tuesday 1:00 pm- Friday 12:00 pm	
• Managing for Excellence	Oxford
• CR in Program Delivery	Bristol
Tuesday 1:00 to Thursday 12:00pm	
• Trainer Skills Workshop	Room 181

Time	Event	Room
7:00 am – 4:00 am	NOPHNRCS Conference Registration	Lobby
8:00 am – 10:00 am	Opening Ceremony <i>Moderator –JR Flores</i>	Jr. Ballroom
	Welcomes from:	
	Presentation of Colors- American Veterans Mexican American Post #5 St. Paul, MN	
	National Anthem- Misty Falcon, Oregon	
	Invocation	
	City Mayor Honorable Gene Winstead	
	Margo M. McKay, Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights- Invited	
	Arlen Lancaster, NRCS Chief	
	Christina Muedeking – Central Region Associated Chief	
	William Hunt, Minnesota STC	
	Carlos Suarez, NOPHNRCS President	
10:00 am – 10:15 am	Break	
10:15 am – 11:15 am	Finding the Leader within you! - Vitalia Bryn-Pundyk <i>Moderator –JR Flores</i>	Jr. Ballroom
11:15 am - 11:30 am	Break	

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11:30 am – 1:00 pm	"First Annual RAY MARGO Awards Luncheon" Moderator -Rafael Guerrero	Grand Ballroom
	Recognition to Ray Margo & Family	11:30-11:45
	NOPHNRCSSE and HEPM Awards- Marina Barajas & Gilbert Guerrero	11:45-12:15
	Diversity Speaker –	12:15-1:00
1:00 pm – 1:15 pm	Break	
1:15 pm – 2:15 pm	NRCS Employee Organization Presidents Panel Discussion Moderator – NOPHNRCSSE President-Carlos Suarez NOBNRCSSE President- Kasey Taylor	Jr. Ballroom
	APIO President- Pooh Vongkhamdy	
	AIANAE President- David Wise	
2:15pm - 2:30pm	Break	
2:30pm- 3:15pm 3:20pm- 4:05pm 4:10pm- 4:55pm	Workshops Sessions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proficiency-Pride-Professionalism - Vitalia Bryn-Pundyk Moderator – Heather Medina • Financial Workshop for individuals investors and how to raise a money-smart child – Estella Eckart- Ed Jones representative Moderator – Cris Perez • Urban Conservation- Jay Riggs Moderator – Russell Castro 	Belfast London Dublin
5:30 pm – 9:00 pm	Scholarship Night and Auction Night Moderator – TBD HSI talk about CSREES grants (5:30-6:00) University of Puerto Rico Mayaguez Campus- Abner Rodriguez New Mexico State University- Texas A&M Kingsville-	Grand ballroom

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Wednesday, August 8, 2007

	Event	Room
7:00 am – 10:00 am	NOPHNRCE Conference Registration	Lobby
7:00 am - 9:00 am	State Conservationists and Student Breakfast Moderator – Mario Morales	Grand ballroom
9:00 am – 10:00 am	Minnesota Conservation Partnerships Panel Moderator –Bill Hunt Minnesota Association of Soil and Water Conservation Districts- LeAnn Buck Minnesota Board of Soil and Water Conservation Districts- John Jaschke Minnesota Soil and Water Conservation Society- Shannon Bengtson Metro Association of Soil and Water Conservation Districts- Mark Zabel Minnesota Association of Professional Soil Scientists (MAPSS)- Dennis Fuchs	Grand ballroom
10:00 am – 10:30 am	Break/ Get ready for tours	
10:30 am – 5:00 pm	Conservation Tours <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minnesota Valley National Wildlife Refuge/ Jonathan Padelford Riverboat tour • Minnesota Landscape Arboretum / Jonathan Padelford Riverboat tour • conservation tour targeting 1) an Immigrant Farming Community; 2) the Farm and Ranch Land Protection Program; and 3) a tour of MN Rain Gardens and how they are providing environmental benefits 	

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Thursday, August 9, 2007

	Event	Room
8:00 am - 9:15 am	Deputy Chief Update Moderator – Dana York Programs – Tony Kramer Science & Technology – Angel Figueroa SSRA – William Puckett Accountability - Harry Slawter Management - Katherine Gugulis	Jr. Ballroom
9:15 am- 9:45 am	2007 Farm Bill Moderator – Dana York Carol Jett	Jr. Ballroom
9:45 am – 10:00 am	Break	
10:00 am- 4:30 pm	<i>MN NRCS Leadership Team Meeting</i>	Minnetonka Suite
10:00 am -10:30 am 10:30 am -11:00 am 11:00 am-11:30 am 11:30 am-12:00 am	Technical Presentations Moderator –Melissa Martinez “From Extra Credit to Conscientious Conservationists: NRCS’ Partnership with the Harlan Community High School Chemistry Class” Renae Nicholson- NRCS-Soil Conservationist Harlan, IA "Texas NRCS Mentor Program - Taking advantage of an opportunity for self development" Maria Davila - Civil Engineer, Design Section, Temple State Office Ronnie Skala - Hydraulic Engineer, Water Resources, Temple State Office	Edingburg
	Moderator –Clarimer Hernandez “Sociedad de los Vaqueros de Canjilon – 319 Water Quality Grant Proposal” David E. Manzanares- RC&D Coordinator for the "Northern Rio Grande RC&D Council, Inc." New Mexico	Belfast

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	<p>“More GIS uses for MLRA soil survey management and uses” Astrid Martinez- MLRA Project Leader Scottsbluff, NE</p>	
	<p>Moderator –</p> <p>“Strategic Investments in the Goascorán Watershed Honduras-El Salvador” Edgar Ascencio- Coordinador de Proyecto CARE - El Salvador</p> <p>“Simulation, design and evaluation of surface irrigation systems with WinSRFR” Eduardo Bautista- Ph.D. Research Hydraulic Engineer USDA-ARS Arid Land Agricultural Research Center, AZ</p>	Dublin
	<p>Moderator –Natalie Irrizarry</p> <p>“NRCS Wildlife Habitat Incentives Program (WHIP) policy” Albert Cerna- WHIP National Program Leader, Washington, DC</p> <p>“Experiences and lessons learned while providing outreach to Latino farm workers and farmers on organic agriculture and related topics” Martin Guerená- Program Specialist National Center for Appropriate Technology-ATTRA Project Davis, CA</p>	London
12:00 pm – 1:00 pm	LUNCH (on your own)	
1:00 pm – 1:30 pm	<p>USA-Mexico Border Conservation Initiative Rosendo Trevino Moderator – Edwin Almodoval</p>	Jr. ballroom
1:30 pm – 2:15 pm	<p>"Programs for the Conservation of Natural Resources available to landowners in Chile and role of the Universities to provide research and future leaders" <i>Moderator – Edwin Almodoval</i> International Speaker Luis Salgado S. PhD- Chile Academician at Faculty of Agricultural Engineering, University of Concepción, Campus Chillán</p> <p>http://www2.udec.cl/~facagric/web2/inicio.html</p>	Jr. ballroom

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2:15 pm- 2:30 pm	Break	
2:30 pm- 3:15 pm	Workshops Sessions	
3:20 pm 4:05 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Developing Effective Resume and KSA's- Karl Gilbertson Moderators – Pat Connor	Belfast
4:10 pm 4:55 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Moving up to the Executive Service & SES Core Qualifications- Gilbert Sandate Moderators – Ronnie Skala	Dublin
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stress Management, fitness and wellness- Dr. Sara Velasco, Health East La Clinica, St Paul, MN pending confirmation Moderators – TBD	London
6:00 pm – 9:00 pm	Banquet Moderator – Cutrina Moreland Recognition to Previous NOPHNRCS Presidents Keynote Speaker -Mr. Sandate President's Message- Installation of New Council	Grand ballroom

FRIDAY, August 10, 2007

Time	Event	Room
8:00 am – 12:00pm	MN NRCS Leadership Team Meeting	Minnetonka Suite
8:00 am-12:00 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Managing for Excellence 	Calhoun
8:00 am-12:00 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CR in Program Delivery 	Bristol