



# WEST CENTRAL STATES Wool Growers C O N V E N T I O N

## AGENDA

### Thursday November 9, 2017

- 10:am-4 pm Mountain Plains Ag meeting
- 1:00 pm Registration Opens
- 2:00 pm IWGA Board of Directors/Membership Meeting
- 3:15 pm UWGA Board of Directors/Membership Meeting

### Friday November 10, 2017

- 7:30 am Ram Sale Meeting
- 7:30 am Registration Opens
- 8:30 am Welcome- John Noh
- 8:40 am Keynote Speaker: - [Bruce Vincent](#)  
*A Path forward for Rural American*
- 9:50 am Session 1: Poisonous Plants - [Jim Pfister, Rangeland Management Specialist](#), USDA/ARS
- 10:40 am Sheep Health  
Internal Parasites: Take Control – [Dave Scott](#), Nat'l Center for Appropriate Technology  
Topic TBD – Speaker: TBD
- 12:00 pm **Lunch** – US Scrapie Update – Dr. Dianne Norden, USDA Nat'l Epidemiologist, Sheep & Goats
- 1:15pm Session 2: [US Department of Agriculture Secretary Sonny Perdue](#) (*Invited*)
- 1:50 pm Niche Marketing Panel – Warren Cude,
- 2:45 Break
- 3:00 pm Wool Quality - [Lisa Surber](#), Raw Wool Services Consultant, ASI
- 4:15 pm Session 3: Chef Panel – Bill White, [Bill White Farms](#)

6:00 pm Getting to Know Ewe Banquet- In Honor of the Young Entrepreneurs  
Leg of Lamb Dinner Buffet

7:00 pm Live Auction

**Saturday November 11, 2017**

7:00 am Rocky Mountain Marketing Board Meeting

7:30 am Young Entrepreneurs Meeting

7:30 am Registration Opens

8:30 am ASI Update/ PLC Update

9:10 am Session 4: [US Forest Service Chief Tony Tooke](#) *(Invited)*

10:15am Labor Update - Monica Youree, Western Range and Kelli Griffith, MPAS

11:15 am Technology-Planes, Cameras & Drones – [John Romero, Owyhee Air Research](#)

12:00 pm Lunch- Lamb  
Speaker-American Lamb Board Update

1:30 pm Session 6: Producer Predator Control Panel

2:15: pm Consumer Views/ Industry Presentation-Gretchen Hyde & Brandy Kay

3:00 pm Break

3:15 pm Session 7: Lamb Market Update  
Best Lambing Practices Panel (Participants TBD\_

6:00 pm Reception

7:00pm Presidents Banquet  
Speaker: [US Department of Interior Secretary Ryan Zinke](#) *(Invited)*  
Lamb Chop Dinner

**Sunday, November 12, 2017**

Travel Home - *Thanks for joining us!*