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2019 West Texas Agricultural Employer Forum



February 28th
8:00 am — 2:30 pm

American Windmill Museum
1701 Canyon Lake Dr.
Lubbock, TX 79403



"I had rather be on my farm than be emperor of the world."
President George Washington



"It's more than a part of life, it's a passion, a Lifestyle, a resilient community (That works hard to feed the world)"
Ryan Goodman

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Registration Form

Seating is limited to 100 — Lunch is Provided

Please submit complete registration form to reserve your seat.

Registration Deadline, February 25

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2019 West Texas Agricultural Employer Forum Agenda



- 8:00 - 8:25am Registration
- 8:25 - 8:30am Welcome – **Danny Soliz** – Director of Business Development Workforce Solutions of the South Plains
- 8:30 - 9:15am **Mark Bills**, Texas Department of Agriculture’s Regional Director, Region 1 West Texas
- Mr. Bills will provide the Texas Department of Agriculture Overview
- 9:15 - 10:45am **LD Harper and Jimmy Duenes**, U.S. Department of Labor Wage and Hour Division – Investigators
- Presenters will provide an overview of the Migrant and Seasonal Agricultural Worker Protection Act (MSPA)

Compliance, safety and health issues are some of the greatest obstacles facing the agriculture community today. The seminar is a concise and solution-oriented forum to help each attendee meet these challenges.



- 11am – 12pm **Rodney Klein**, U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission – Dallas District Outreach and Training Manager
- Mr. Klein will be addressing: Human Trafficking and Sexual Harassment issues in the farming industry
- 12:00 – 1:00pm **Seshadri Ramkumar, PhD Professor**, Nonwovens and Advanced Materials Laboratory – Texas Tech University
- Dr. Ramkumar will discuss: New Markets for Cotton
- Catered Bar-B-Que Lunch by Jeana’s Feedbag

*An Informed Employer is
an Efficient Employer*



- 1:00 – 1:30pm **Angie Goodman**, ACG Cotton Marketing – Owner and Consultant – Past President Texas Cotton Association
- Ms. Goodman will discuss: Marketing Cotton in a Volatile World
- 1:30 – 2:30pm **Sabrina Houser-Amaya**, Founder of The Bracero Group and **Katy Jane Seaton**, Farm House Vineyard – Executive Director of the Texas Plains Winegrowers
- Presenters will discuss: The Farm Labor Drought: Using H-2A Workers to Solve your Workforce Woes
- 2:30 – 2:35pm Final Wrap-Up, Questions and Release