



2024 NAFMNP Annual Conference September 17-21, 2024, Denver, Colorado

Theme: Coming Together

Conference Location: Embassy Suites by Hilton, Denver Downtown Convention Center,
1420 Stout St, Denver, CO 80202

Wifi Network: Embassy-Meetings
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Tuesday, September 17			
Time	Topic	Location	Speaker(s) & Notes
4:00-5:00	Board Meeting	Elements Restaurant (hotel lobby)	2023-2024 Board of Directors
5:00-8:00	Welcome Reception and Registration	Atrium Alcove	All conference attendees

Wednesday, September 18			
Time	Topic	Location	Speaker(s)
6:30-8:30	Breakfast	4th Floor	Hotel guests only. Breakfast is available for purchase for non-guests.
7:30-8:30	Registration and Visit Vendors	Crystal Foyer	
8:30	Welcome, Land Acknowledgement, and Opening Remarks	Crystal A and B	Emily Bash, NAFMNP Secretary, Colorado
9:00-10:00	NAFMNP 101: Board Positions and Committees	Crystal A and B	Phil Blalock, NAFMNP Executive Director Katherine Flores, NAFMNP President, Washington State
10:00-10:15	Break and Visit Vendors	Crystal Foyer	
10:15-11:15	FNS Updates S/FMNP FRAB Funding Update (30 minutes) S/FMNP Policy Updates (30 minutes)	Crystal A and B	Alina Dallmeier & LaKisha Applon Anna Gordon & Lauren Clark

Wednesday, September 18 continued

Time	Topic	Location	Speaker(s)
11:15-12:00	State Showcase Panel: Redemption and Recruiting Strategies	Crystal A and B	Moderator: Katherine Flores, Washington State Panelists: - Rebecca Allmond, New York - Veronica Griego, New Mexico - Bayleigh Acosta, Oklahoma
12:00-1:00	Lunch and Visit Vendors	Crystal C (buffet lunch provided)	
1:00-2:30	Project Management for the Unofficial Project Manager	Crystal A and B	Andrea Duran, Organizational Development Specialist, University of Colorado
2:30-2:45	Break and Visit Vendors	Crystal Foyer (snacks provided)	
2:45-3:45	FNS Updates S/FMNP State Plans: An overview of current and future states (30 minutes) S/FMNP Management Evaluations: Initiatives for improved MEs (30 minutes)	Crystal A and B	Madeleine "Maddie" Pletzke Courtney Puidk
3:45-4:30	State Showcase Panel: Management Evaluation Lessons Learned	Crystal A and B	Moderator: Michelle Yates, South Carolina Panelists: - Gavin Funkhouser, Indiana - Alexis Jose, Missouri - Katherine Flores, Washington - Liv Brashears, Arizona
4:30	Evening to explore and dinner on your own		
5:00-6:30	Complimentary evening reception	Atrium Alcove	All hotel guests

Thursday, September 19

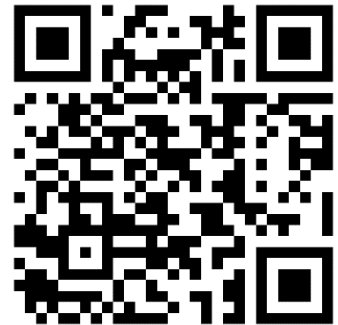
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6:30-8:30	Breakfast	4th Floor	Hotel guests only. Breakfast is available for purchase for non-guests.
7:30-8:30	Registration and Visit Vendors	Crystal Foyer	
8:30-9:00	Welcome	Crystal A and B	Mario Ramos, USDA FNS MPRO Acting Regional Administrator Nakell Matthews, NAFMNP President-Elect, South Carolina
9:00-9:45	Opening Remarks	Crystal A and B	Roberto Meza, Cofounder and CEO, East Denver Food Hub
9:45-10:30	Women in Agriculture	Crystal A and B	Colleen Pepler, Colorado Agricultural Commission Chair
10:30-11:00	Break and Visit Vendors	Crystal Foyer	
11:00-12:00	FNS Updates MEM NextGen: Demo and overview of S/FMNP portal access	Crystal A and B	Blair Tucker-Gruchala
12:00-1:30	Lunch and Visit Vendors	Lunch on your own	
1:30-5:30	Farm Tour and Volunteer Activity Partner Presentation	The Urban Farm	The Urban Farm staff - tour and volunteer activity Daysi Sweaney, Director of Healthy Food Incentives, Nourish Colorado
5:30	Evening to explore and dinner on your own		
5:00-6:30	Complimentary evening reception	Atrium Alcove	All hotel guests

Friday, September 20			
Time	Topic	Location	Speaker(s)
6:30-8:30	Breakfast	4th Floor. Hotel guests only. Breakfast is available for purchase for non-guests.	
7:30-8:30	Registration and Visit Vendors	Crystal Foyer	
8:30-10:00	Regional Breakouts and Voting for Regional Representative (closed to vendors)	Aspen A: WRO Aspen B: SWRO Crestone A: MARO and MWRO Crestone B: SERO and NERO Leadville: MPRO	
10:00-10:15	Break and Visit Vendors	Crystal Foyer	
10:15-11:45 Option to rotate to new topic every 25 minutes	Round Table Discussions Attend up to three subtopics: Switching every 25 minutes with 5 minutes to transition locations	Crestone A - Senior FMNP Applications Crestone A - Program Evaluation Crestone B - Over-allocation Crestone B - Reaching Rural Communities Aspen A - Building Relationships with Partners Aspen B - Project Planning Leadville - Alternate Market Models (online, mobile, etc.)	
11:45-1:30	Lunch Buffet	Crystal C	Annual Member Meeting, Voting, and Door Prize Drawings
1:00-1:30	New Board Member Orientation and Meeting	Crestone A	2024-2025 Board of Directors
1:30-3:00 Option to rotate to new topic every 25 minutes	eSolutions Lessons Learned (closed to vendors) Switching every 25 minutes with 5 minutes to transition locations	Crestone A: Farm Market Direct Crestone A: TotilPay Crestone B: Nations Benefits Aspen A: Healthy Together Aspen B: Central Bank Leadville: RP Solutions	Moderator: Katherine Flores, Washington Moderator: Gavin Funkhouser, Indiana Moderator: Ally Hughes, Connecticut Moderator: Sara Servin, Maryland Moderator: Alexis Jose, Missouri Moderator: Kelly Wright, Virginia
3:00-3:30	Closing Remarks and Announcements	Crystal C	Phil Blalock, NAFMNP Executive Director

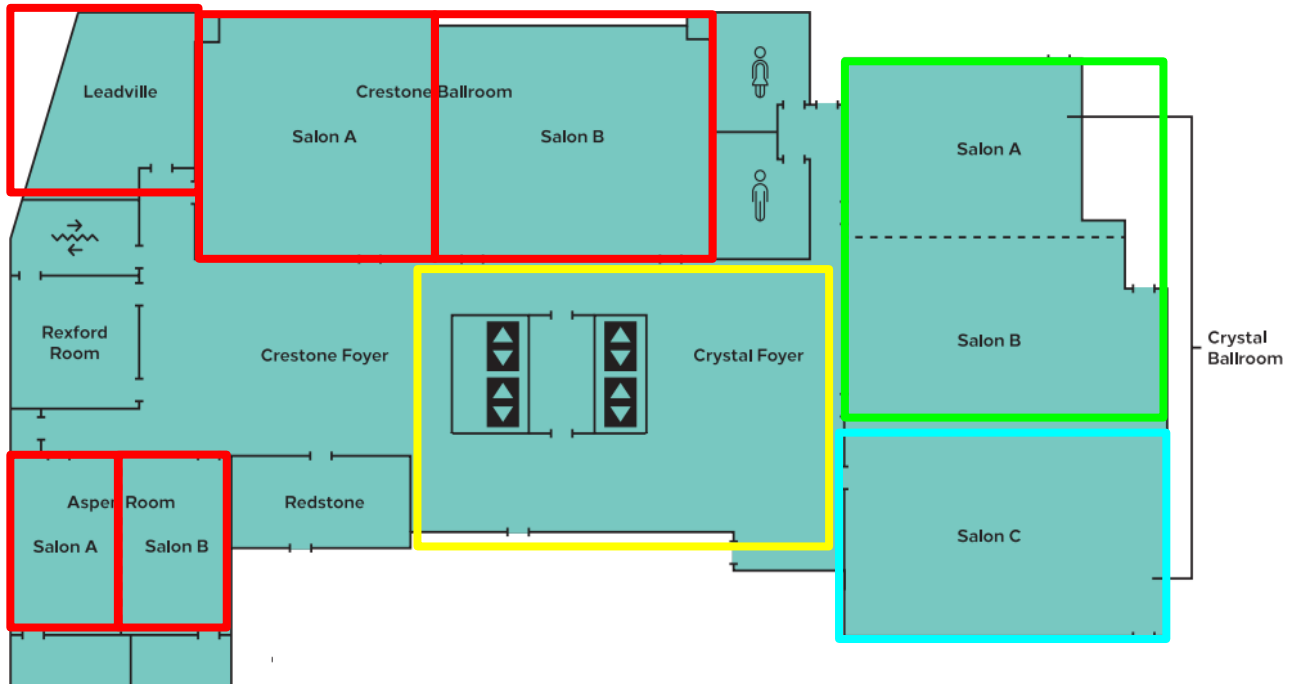
Saturday, September 21			
	Topic	Location	Speaker(s)
7:00-9:00	Breakfast	4th Floor	Hotel guests only. Breakfast is available for purchase for non-guests.
9:00-1:00	City Park Farmers' Market	City Park, Denver	Margo and Peter Wanberg

2024 NAFMNP Annual Conference Evaluation

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