

AGENDA
House Agriculture, Forestry and Natural Resources Subcommittee

Tuesday, September 23, 2025
2:30 PM

Grand Prairie Center, Riceland Auditorium, 2709 Highway 165 S
Stuttgart, Arkansas

Rep. DeAnn Vaught, Chair
Rep. Chad Puryear, Vice-Chair
Rep. Lane Jean
Rep. Ron McNair

Rep. Steve Unger
Rep. Tracy Steele
Rep. Roger D. Lynch, ex officio
Rep. Jeremiah Moore, ex officio

- A. Call to Order
- B. Opening Comments by the Chairs
- C. Discussion of Challenges that Impact Farmers in Arkansas
 - Leslie Rogers, President, Arkansas Crop Protection Association
- D. Discussion of Agricultural Economics **[Exhibit D]**
 - Dr. Hunter Biram, Assistant Professor, Department of Agricultural Economics and Agribusiness, University of Arkansas
- E. Overview of Agricultural and Livestock Economics **[Exhibit E]**
 - James Mitchell, Assistant Professor, Department of Agricultural Economics and Agribusiness, University of Arkansas
- F. Overview of Farm Economics and Banking
 - Kirk Vansandt, Chief Agriculture Lending Officer, Farmers and Merchants Bank
- G. Presentation of Agriculture Retail
 - Ross Wood, Retail Operations Manager, Stratton Seed
- H. Concerned Arkansas Farmer
 - Sydney Robinett, Farmer, Arkansas
- I. Questions & Answers/Public Testimony
- J. Other Business
- K. Adjournment

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