

Wyoming Regulatory Guide Workshop

Agenda

May 15, 2018

10:00 AM – 3:00 PM

**Agriculture Resources
& Learning Center,
Casper Room**

**2011 Fairgrounds Road
Casper, WY 82604**

- **10:00 AM Welcome and Introduction**
Cole Ehmke – University of Wyoming Extension Specialist
Elaine Harvey – Lovell Inc, Executive Director
- **10:15 AM Keynote Speaker**
Ms. Linda Stratton – Wyoming Department of Agriculture – “Introduction and Application to the Food Ventures in Wyoming: A Resource and Regulatory Guide- ways that producers can increase their market within (because of) the parameters of the guidelines in the Guide.
- **11:45 AM – 12:15 PM Break, Lunch**
- **12:15 Lunch Speaker**
Mr. Ted Craig – Wyoming Department of Agriculture, Grants Manager – “Yes, there are resources available”
- **12:45 Break**
- **1:00 PM** Donna Pahl, Cornell University, PSA’s Southwest Regional Extension Associate, presents Food Safety, “FSMA/PSR”
- **1:45 PM** David Lott, Horticulture Extension Educator from the University of Nebraska, will discuss General Ag. Practices “GAPS”
- **2:45 PM Conclusion / Summation**
Elaine Harvey

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Cole Ehmke is an Extension Specialist with University of Wyoming Extension and is based in the Department of Agricultural and Applied Economics. His work covers agricultural entrepreneurship topics as well as personal financial resource management. Recent projects have included creating a manual for managers of CSAs (community supported agriculture ventures), supporting local foods projects to promote the production and consumption of foods with a local identity, coordinating and teaching in the Annie's Project management training classes for women in agriculture (a six session class that provides information on the five sources of risk: production, marketing, legal, human and financial), and presenting on financial management topics for youth and women. Additionally, he works with individuals on exploring new ventures. Cole was a Fulbright Scholar to the University of Sydney, Australia, where he received his MS degree, and he received his BA from Bethany College. Prior to joining the University of Wyoming he was at Purdue University. He grew up on a grains farm in west central Kansas. He has just returned from a year of travel in New Zealand.



Ms. Linda Stratton of the Wyoming Department of Agriculture, is a Wyoming native and has worked for the Wyoming Department of Agriculture for 38 years. She was a field inspector and is now the Manager of Consumer Health Services. Over the years with the department she has inspected all types of food facilities such as food processors, dairy farms and plants, retail stores, restaurants, and meat plants. She is currently on the Wyoming Farmers Marketing Association Board of Directors and also the Wyoming Food Safety Coalition Board. Ms. Stratton will discuss "Introduction and application to the Wyoming Resource and Regulatory Guide" – How to Grow Your Agribusiness Business Safely and Successfully.



Mr. Ted Craig is the agricultural Grants Manager for the Wyoming Department of Agriculture. Ted is tasked with researching, developing and management of grants that support the development of food production, processing and consumption. He also acts as a liaison between the WDA and other government agencies, the Wheat Commission and organic producers in Wyoming.

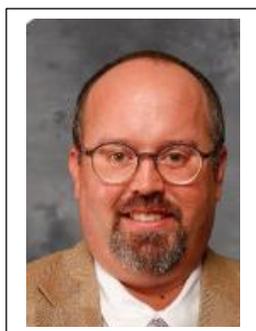
Ted has served as the Assistant Director of the Wyoming Technology Business Center Outreach Program and worked with second stage high growth companies around the state on business management, marketing and finance.

Before joining the Wyoming Technology Business Center, Mr. Craig worked for the Wyoming Business Council Agribusiness Division. While at the WBC he managed the Wyoming First program, the value-added business development program, the organic program, the WUSATA export program and the Farmers Market program. Previous to this he spent time as a marketing manager in the snack food industry, a production manager for a packaging company and a plant manager for a solar energy manufacturing company.

Ted has worked with companies on local, regional, national and international marketing and business development. He has experience in local food production, grants management, trade shows, trade missions, and educational seminars. He graduated U of M with a Bachelor of Science Degree.



Donna Pahl joined the Produce Safety Alliance in September 2015 to serve as the Southwest Regional Extension Associate. Based in Riverside, California, her role with PSA is to offer education and outreach on the FSMA Produce Safety Rule. Before joining the PSA, she worked at the University of Maryland as a produce safety trainer. She also helped MDA develop and launch a State of Maryland GAP certification for direct market growers. Donna's research included studying the effects of production practices and region on the microbial populations of fresh market crops and surveying the microbial quality of Maryland agricultural water sources. Donna's involvement in the fresh produce industry began while working on her family's fruit and vegetable farm. She received both her Bachelor of Science and Master of Science degrees in Plant Science from the University of Maryland. Email: dmp274@cornell.edu



David Lott is the District Extension Horticulture Educator with Nebraska Extension, based in the West Central Research and Extension Center in North Platte. He carries out on-farm research on vegetable related subjects. He also supports the Extension Offices in western Nebraska to help answer horticulture questions and coordinates the West Central Extension Master Gardener program. Lott graduated from Kansas State University with a B.S. degree in Agricultural Communication, and a M.S. degree in Horticulture. He also graduated with an M.S. degree in Agricultural Education from the University of Florida. Lott lives in North Platte, and is married to Amanda Lott, who is a Kindergarten teacher for the North Platte Public School District. They have a five-year old son, Andrew.