2012 INDIANA CAFO WATCH CONFERENCE

(CAFO-Confined Animal Feeding Operation)

Saturday, August 4, 2012

Sponsored by the Socially Responsible Agricultural Project (SRA)

Where? Mill Creek Civic Center

17 Veterans Blvd., Chesterfield, IN 46017

*Easy access from State Road 32 and I-69

(Driving directions included below)

When: Registration: 8:30 to 9:30 a.m.

Conference: 9:30 to 4:00 p.m.

***Please note…Due to our packed agenda, we must begin promptly at 9:30 a.m.**

***Chesterfield is on Eastern Daylight Time, the same time as Indianapolis.**

Goals:

(1)Gain educational tools to communicate effectively about the environmental and health impacts of confined animal feeding operations (CAFOs) with local, state, and federal officials.

(2) Network with the state-wide Indiana CAFO Watch Group and with other grassroots groups.

(3) Raise awareness of environmental and health issues with confined animal feeding operations (CAFOs) in Indiana, our nation, and the world.

AGENDA

8:30 - 9:30 Registration and Continental Breakfast

9:30 – 9:35 Welcome – Dr. Julie Alexander

9:35 - 10:05 **LYNN HENNING - "Reclaiming Agriculture"**

10:05 - 10:20 Q & A with Lynn Henning

10:20 - 10.35 Break

10:35 - 10:50 Dianne Richardson -"Indiana CAFO Watch Website"

10:50 - 11:20 **TERRY SPENCE –"The Impacts of Failed Farm Policies to Independent Producers and Consumers".**

11:20 - 11:35 Q & A with Terry Spence

11:35 - 11.45 Barbara Sha Cox - Special Announcements

11:45 – 12:45 Lunch

12:45 - 1:15 **PATTI TRUANT - "Arsenic and Pharmaceuticals in Poultry Feather Meal: Recent Research and Implications" -**

1:15 - 1:30 Q & A with Patti Truant

1:30 - 1:45 Randy Hartman – "Helpful Hints to Navigate the Virtual File Cabinet"

1:45 - 2:00 Break

2:00 – 2:30 **CHERYL BURDETT - "EPA Inspections at Animal Feeding Operations"**

2:30 – 2:45 Q & A with Cheryl Burdett

2:45 – 3:05 **BRUCE PALIN – "Updated Confined Feeding Rules"**

3:05-3:20 Q&A with Bruce Palin

3:20-3:40 **MATT PEARSON – "OISC Fertilizer Rules"**

3:40 – 3:55 Q & A with Matt Pearson

3:55 Barbara Sha Cox – Final Comments

About our speakers:

LYNN HENNING

A family farmer and Sierra Club Water Sentinel from rural Michigan, Lynn Henning exposed the egregious polluting practices of CAFOs (concentrated animal feeding operations). She got involved fighting local water pollution issues in the late 1990s after noticing local waterways being polluted by manure runoff from the ten animal factories that surround the small farm she and her husband run in Lenawee County.

Twelve years later, her research has helped alert federal and state authorities to violations and to build cases against big polluters, as well as winning her both enemies in her backyard and the attention of the world's environmental leaders.

In 2010 she was one of six people given an annual Goldman Environmental Award for exposing the egregious polluting practices of livestock factory farms in rural Michigan, which gained the attention of the federal EPA, and which prompted state regulators to issue hundreds of citations for water-quality violations. (The Goldman Environmental Prize for North America is awarded annually to honor

grassroots environmental heroes from the six inhabited continental regions: Africa, Asia, Europe, Islands and Island Nations, North America, and South and Central America. The Prize recognizes individuals for sustained and significant efforts to protect and enhance the natural environment, often at great personal risk. Each winner receives an award of $150,000, the largest award in the world for grassroots environmentalists. The Goldman Prize views "grassroots" leaders as those involved in local efforts, where positive change is created through community or citizen participation in the issues that affect them. Through recognizing these individual leaders, the Prize seeks to inspire other ordinary people to take extraordinary actions to protect the natural world.)

TERRY SPENCE

Terry Spence is a second-generation farmer & livestock producer outside Unionville, Missouri. He owns his own farm, and manages adjacent farms, one of which is enrolled in the Conservation Reserve Program. He is co-founder and president of Family Farms for the Future and CLEAN (Citizens Legal Environmental Action Network). Terry is also a trained and certified level III Missouri Stream Team 714 water quality volunteer. He serves as coordinator of Harmony Beef & Farm Products, a project that produces and markets sustainable farm produce.

Terry is an independent consultant for the Socially Responsible Agricultural Project which focuses on working with rural citizens and groups throughout the United States and Canada that are being impacted by Concentrated Animal Feeding Operations. The SRA Project also focuses on sustainable alternatives that benefit small farmers and rural communities.

PATTI TRUANT

Patti Truant, MPH, is a fellow at the Center for a Livable Future and a PhD student in the Department of Health Policy and Management at the Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health. She has experience in environmental risk assessment, agriculture and food systems, public health research and practice, and journalism. She has previously worked at the Environmental Protection Agency's Office of Research and Development, the Center for Science in the Public Interest and the American Public Health Association.

CHERYL BURDETT

Cheryl Burdett is the Concentrated Animal Feeding Operation (CAFO) Program Manager for Region 5 of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency located in Chicago, Illinois. Cheryl has been an enforcement officer for the Water Enforcement Compliance Assurance Branch in the EPA's Water Division since 2003.

In her role as enforcement officer and CAFO Program Manager, Cheryl inspects animal feeding operations, conducts flyovers of animal operations, presents to state, local, and federal agencies about determining discharges from Animal Feeding Operations, and oversees the CAFO program for the EPA She has received gold and bronze medals for her work eliminating discharges of pollutants from Concentrated Animal Feeding Operations.

Prior to working with U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Cheryl worked for Indiana Dunes National Lakeshore and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

BRUCE PALIN

Bruce Palin has a Bachelor of Science in Engineering from Rose Hulman Institute of Technology in Terre Haute, Indiana.

He has worked in the state's regulatory program for solid waste for 36 years. Currently, he serves as the Assistant Commissioner for the Office of Land Quality at the Indiana Department of Environmental Management.

MATT PEARSON

Matt Pearson assumed the role of fertilizer administrator February 1, 2012. Pearson had been the Engineering Specialist for the Office of Indiana State Chemist since 1996. He has a degree in Agricultural Engineering from Purdue University.

His responsibilities include oversight of the fertilizer program at OISC. Product registration, anhydrous ammonia, fertilizer storage and use, as well as certification for distributors and users of fertilizer material, are a few of his duties along with others.

Prior to working with the Office of Indiana State Chemist, Matt was a sales engineer for a company specializing in synthetic liners for fertilizer secondary containment and worked for a major feed equipment manufacturer.

He grew up on a small grain and livestock farm in east central Indiana. He and his wife have 4 daughters and are active with them and their schools and sports.

DIRECTIONS TO CONFERENCE LOCATION:

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From Indianapolis:

1. I-69 N. 33.2 mi
2. Take the IN-67 N exit, EXIT 34, toward IN-32/ANDERSON/MUNCIE. 0.7 mi
3. Take the IN-32 ramp toward MUNCIE/ANDERSON/DALEVILLE/YORKTOWN/CHESTERFIELD. 0.3 mi
4. Turn SLIGHT RIGHT onto W MAIN ST/IN-32. Continue to follow IN-32. 1.8 mi
5. Turn LEFT onto VETERANS BLVD/IN- 0.0 mi
6. 17 VETERANS BLVD is on the RIGHT.

From Fort Wayne:

1. I-69 S toward INDIANAPOLIS. 78.8 mi
2. Take the IN-32 exit, EXIT 34, toward MUNCIE/ANDERSON. 0.4 mi
3. Turn SLIGHT RIGHT onto W MAIN ST/IN-32. Continue to follow IN-32. 1.4 mi
4. Turn LEFT onto VETERANS BLVD-. 0.0 mi
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From State Road 9:

When you get to Anderson, St. Rd. 9 becomes Scatterfield Road. Follow Scaterfield until you come to University Blvd. You will turn east at this intersection to go to Chesterfield. Watch for St. Rd. 32 E and Chesterfield signs.

***Additional information:**

- Free shuttle from Anderson Municipal Airport (located near-by) Contact Barbara Sha Cox to make arrangements for shuttle.

INDIANA CAFO WATCH CONFERENCE REGISTRATION FORM

Please enclose check made out to Barbara Sha Cox, or money order for $10.00 per person, and registration form by Friday, July 20, 2012. Mail to:

Barbara Sha Cox

P.O. Box 1572

Richmond, IN 47375

Questions? 765--962-2184

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(The $10.00 registration fee includes a continental breakfast, and non-CAFO meats and milk products, meat, vegetarian, or vegan choices, locally grown and seasonal fruits and vegetables, included in the lunch buffet.)

***See next page for Registration Form.**

***Please print and send this page to register for the conference.**

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*Include your $10 (per person) check or money order made out to Barbara Sha Cox.

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County _____

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For planning purposes, please (√) your food preference:

MEAT _____

VEGETARIAN _____

VEGAN_____