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## New Jersey Agricultural Climate Summit: Exploring Nature-Based Climate Solutions on New Jersey’s Natural and Working Lands

Wednesday April 10<sup>th</sup>, 2024, at Duke Farms – Agenda

<b>I. Networking over coffee and pastries</b>	<b>8:30- 9:00am</b>	<b>30 min</b>
<b>II. Welcome and Overview</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Margaret Waldo</b>ck, Executive Director, Duke Farms.</li> </ul>	<b>9:00 – 9:10am</b>	<b>10 min</b>
<b>III. The Nature Positive Promise of New Jersey’s Natural and Working Agricultural Landscape</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Julie Lockwood</b>, Professor of Ecology, Evolution and Natural Resources, Rutgers University and Interim Director, Rutgers Climate and Energy Institute.</li> </ul>	<b>9:10 – 9:45am</b>	<b>35 min</b>
<b>BREAK</b>	<b>9:45 – 9:55am</b>	<b>10 min</b>
<b>IV. Panel: Cultivating Resilience</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Moderated by: <b>Margaret Waldo</b>ck, Executive Director, Duke Farms</li> <li>• Featuring: <b>Brian Schilling</b>, Director, Rutgers Cooperative Extension</li> <li>• <b>Pete Furey</b>, Executive Director, New Jersey Farm Bureau</li> <li>• and <b>Chris Miller</b>, Acting National Coordinator, USDA Climate Hubs.</li> </ul>	<b>9:55 – 10:45am</b>	<b>50 min</b>
<b>BREAK</b>	<b>10:45 – 10:55am</b>	<b>10 min</b>
<b>V. Exploring Opportunities to Increase Ecosystem Service Values in New Jersey Agriculture</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Moderated by: <b>Jim Waltman</b>, Executive Director, Watershed Institute</li> <li>• with <b>Marjorie Kaplan</b>, Associate Director, Rutgers Climate and Energy Institute</li> <li>• and <b>Jeff Everett</b>, Executive Director, Garden State Preservation Trust</li> </ul>	<b>10:55 – 11:55am</b>	<b>60 min</b>

<b>Remarks by Ed Wengryn, New Jersey Secretary of Agriculture</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <b>Farm-to-Table Lunch</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ All food is locally and thoughtfully sourced</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<b>Noon – 12:45pm</b>	<b>45 min</b>
<b>VI. Keynote: "From the Chesapeake Bay to the Delaware Bay: Maryland's Rural Legacy Program as a Blueprint for New Jersey's Natural and Working Lands"</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <b>Governor Parris Glendening</b></li> </ul>	<b>1:00 – 1:45pm</b>	<b>45 min</b>
<b>BREAK</b>	<b>1:45 – 1:55pm</b>	<b>10 min</b>
<b>VII. Diverse Perspectives on Key Strategies to Advance Natural Climate Solutions on Natural and Working Agricultural Lands</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Moderated by: <b>Amy Hansen</b>, New Jersey Conservation Foundation</li> <li>● Featuring: <b>Devin Cornia</b>, Policy Director, Northeast Organic Farming Association of New Jersey</li> <li>● <b>Bryce Cotton</b>, River Valley Farm</li> <li>● <b>Jeff Tober</b>, Rancocas Creek Farm</li> <li>● <b>Jess Niederer</b>, Chickadee Creek Farm</li> <li>● and <b>Meredith Taylor</b>, Sr. Program Administrator, Office of Urban Extension, New Jersey Agricultural Experiment Station</li> </ul>	<b>1:55 – 2:45pm</b>	<b>50 min</b>
<b>BREAK</b>	<b>2:45 – 2:55 pm</b>	<b>10 min</b>
<b>VIII. Breakout Conversations:</b> Interactive sessions on resilience, policy, and collaborative opportunities	<b>2:55 – 4:15 pm</b>	<b>80 min</b>
<b>IX. Closing session:</b> Summary of the day's discussions, actionable insights, and planning next steps	<b>4:15 – 4:30 pm</b>	<b>15 min</b>

**END OF AGENDA**