



LAND O'LAKES, INC.

ACI Regional Meeting
Sponsored by Land O'Lakes
Thursday, June 28th – 9:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m.
Vincennes University
Vincennes, Indiana

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9:00 a.m.

Registration

10:00 a.m.

Ag Economic Outlook

- Jim Mintert, Director of the Center for Commercial Agriculture Purdue University, will provide an overview of the Indiana ag economy.

11:00 a.m.

Transportation and Infrastructure Discussion with INDOT and Indiana Corn &

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- You won't want to miss this interactive discussion regarding
 - How an INDOT plan becomes a project?
 - What projects are planned for the region?
 - How can ACI members most effectively engage with INDOT?
 - How does economic development factor into INDOT planning?
 - What is Small Urban and Rural Transportation Planning?
 - What resources are needed to protect rural bridges?

12:00 p.m. Lunch with Don Villwock, Owner and Operator of Villwock Farms and Consultant to the Dean of the Purdue College of Agriculture

- Finding and retaining qualified employees is a growing challenge. Don will share his ideas about potential solutions for your agribusiness.

1:00 p.m. Workforce Readiness, Retention and Recruitment Panel

- We've all see the help wanted signs. Tackling the labor shortage is a challenge that will require broad partnerships and creative thinking. A panel of local innovators will share with you how higher education, economic development and business leaders all play a role in the solution.
- Panelists
 - Susan Brocksmith- Vincennes University Agribusiness Program Chair
 - Ron Arnold- Executive Director Daviess County Economic Development Corporation
 - Eli McCormick- President/CEO Bestway Express Inc

3:00 p.m. Event concludes