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Agenda for Working Lands Enterprise Initiative Hearing on FY24 Impact Report

Tuesday, February 11th, 2025

Senate Agriculture Committee 10:00AM to 11:30AM

- 10:00am to 10:05am - A Brief Look at WLEI History (Alyson Eastman, WLEB Chair, joining virtually)
- 10:05am to 10:15am - Cumulative Program Impact (Alisha Utter, WLEB Vice-Chair)
- 10:15am-10:25am – Key Program Design Elements (Elizabeth Sipple, WLEI Program Staff, VAAFM)
- 10:25am to 10:40am – Updated Priority Program Impacts and FY24 Business Enhancement and Small Farm Investments (Clare Salerno, WLEI Program Staff, VAAFM)
- 10:40am to 10:50am - WLEI Impact on Forestry Sector and Supply Chain and Market Level Forestry Investments (Daniel Fitzko, Commissioner, Dept. of Forests, Parks and Recreation)
- 10:50 to 11:00 – WLEI's Support for Community Development and Ag Supply Chain and Market Level Investments (Tayt Brooks, Deputy Secretary, Agency of Commerce and Community Development)
- 11:00am-11:10am – WLEI Service Provision Strategy (Abbey Willard, Director of Agricultural Development Division, VAAFM)
- 11:10am-11:15am: Closing remarks (Abbey Willard, Director of Agricultural Development Division, VAAFM)
- 11:15am-11:30am - Q&A