

CANADIAN WILD PIG SUMMIT

FINAL AGENDA

April 22- 24, 2024, Brandon, Manitoba

Monday, April 22

Welcome Reception, 6 – 8 pm

Assiniboine Community College, Len Evans Centre for Trades and Technology, 1035 1st Street North, Brandon

Tuesday, April 23

Registration & Refreshments, 7:45 – 8:30 am

The Dome (Display Building No.II), Keystone Centre Grounds, Provincial Exhibition of Manitoba 1175 18th St

Welcome & Greetings

8:30 – 9:00 am

Welcome from the organizers

*Animal Health Canada
Squeal on Pigs/Manitoba Pork
Assiniboine Community College*

Greetings from Manitoba Metis Federation

*David Beaudin - Minister of Agriculture for the Manitoba
Métis Federation – National Government of the Red
River Métis*

Greetings from the province of Manitoba

Honourable Ron Kostyshyn, Minister of Agriculture

Trapper's Forum

9:00 – 10:30 pm

Managing wild boar during a disease outbreak

*Egbert Gleich & Carl Gremse, Brandenburg State
Forest Services, Germany*

Field experience capturing escaped domestic pigs

*Travis McGee, Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources &
Forestry*

Field experience capturing invasive wild boar

Devon Baete, Squeal on Pigs Manitoba, Manitoba Pork

Discussion: Best practices & new ideas for capturing pigs at large

Break 10:30 – 11:00 am

Program Implementation

11:00 – 12:00 pm

Ontario's legislative framework for wild pig control

*Paula Julio, Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources &
Forestry*

Feral pig legislation in British Columbia – past, present and future

*Emily Lomas, British Columbia Ministry of Water, Land
& Resource Stewardship*

Lunch 12:00 – 1:00 pm

Research Show Case

1:00 – 1:40 pm

Does wild boar spread increase disease risk in Alberta?

*Mathieu Pruvot, Wildlife Health & Ecology, Faculty of
Veterinary Medicine, University of Calgary*

Predicting movement and establishing lineage of wild pigs

*Ryan Brook, Animal & Poultry Science/ Indigenous
Land Management Institute, University of Sask*

Building Awareness 1:40 – 2:30 pm **Invasive species campaign & public awareness**
Gabby Nichols, Canadian Council on Invasive Species

How to reach the public working with the media
Ed White, Western Producer

Question Period

Break 2:30 – 3:00 pm

Tool Kit for Detection, Control & Eradication 3:00 – 4:30 pm **Use of Artificial Intelligence to screen video**
Hannah McKenzie, Alberta Agriculture & Irrigation

Information & mapping systems for monitoring and population control
Arne Thorlacius, Squeal on Pigs Manitoba

Environmental DNA detection for wild pigs
Brent Guppy, BioScision Diagnostic Labs, Manitoba
James Hood, School of Agriculture & Environment, Assinibione Community College, Manitoba

What we can learn from collared wild pigs
Kurt VerCauteren, USDA

CanSpot surveillance for invasive wild pigs
Christa Arsenault, Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs

Wednesday, April 24

Field trip to Spruce Woods Provincial Park 8:00 am – 2 pm **Buses depart from and return to the Dome**
Refreshments, a light breakfast & lunch provided

Pig Wallow 2:00 – 4:00 pm **Trapping experiences from abroad**
Aaron Sumrall, Pig Brig Trap Systems

Training Trappers
Rod Pinkston, Jager Pro

EVENT PARTNERS:



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