

# 2024 Nebraska Ag and Economic Development Summit

August 7 – 9, 2024  
Younes Conference Center  
707 West Talmadge Road  
Kearney, NE 68845

Wednesday, August 7<sup>th</sup>  
**Ag Meat & Potato Tour**  
1:00pm – 5:00pm

Reception/Banquet  
6:00pm – Reception  
7:00pm – Dinner & Awards

Thursday, August 8<sup>th</sup>  
**Summit**  
7:00am – 4:00pm

Friday, August 9<sup>th</sup>  
**Bio Economy Special Session**  
8:00am – 12:00pm

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## SUMMIT AGENDA

7:00-8:00am: Registration

8:00-8:15am: Welcome **(SILVER BALLROOMS)** – Governor Pillen

8:15-9:00am: Opening Remarks – Jack Hubbard - "*Threats to U.S. Agriculture*"

9:00-9:15am: Break

9:15-10:30am: Session 1 Breakouts

Track 1 – Foundations for Growth: Housing and Childcare **(GOLD ROOM 1)**

Track 2 – People Attraction: Priority #1 to Grow the Good Life **(GOLD ROOM 2)**

Track 3 – Transforming Nebraska's Water Management to Cultivate Tomorrow's Ag & Economic Vision **(GOLD ROOM 3)**

Track 4 – Nebraska's New Vision for Economic Development **(GOLD ROOM 7)**

Track 5 - Unlocking Productivity **(GOLD ROOM 8)**

10:30-10:45am: Break

**10:45- 12:00pm: Session 2 Breakouts**

**Track 6 – The Nebraska BioEconomy: Feeding the world, fueling the future, saving the planet**  
**(GOLD ROOM 7)**

**Track 7 – Supporting Local Governments in the Pursuit of Federal Discretionary Funds**  
**(GOLD ROOM 8)**

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**12:00-1:00pm: Lunch & Keynote Speaker** **(SILVER BALLROOMS)**

12:00am – 12:00pm: Lunch

12:20pm – 12:45pm: Keynote – *Troy Dannen, Nebraska Athletic Director*

**1:00 – 2:15 – Session 3 Breakouts**

**Track 4 – Nebraska's New Vision for Economic Development** **(GOLD ROOM 7)**

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**2:15-2:30pm: Break**

**2:30- 3:30pm: ACTION HOUR – breakout discussions to create follow-up action items in the following 4 areas:**

**Housing - (Gold Room 3)**

**Childcare - (Gold Room 2)**

**Workforce – (Gold Room 7)**

**Bio Economy – (Gold Room 1)**

**3:30 – 4:00pm: Closing – Governor Pillen** **(SILVER BALLROOMS)**

**Friday, August 9<sup>th</sup>**

**8:00am – 12:30pm: Bio Economy Special Session** **(SILVER ROOMS 11 & 12)**