

2022

DRAFT SCHEDULE*

**NEW JERSEY
STATE AGRICULTURAL
CONVENTION**

February 9 & 10, 2022

**NEGATIVE COVID-19 TEST
AND MASKS REQUIRED**

Details Forthcoming

**Harrah's Resort and Waterfront
Conference Center**

Atlantic City, NJ



***SUBJECT TO CHANGE**

Wednesday, February 9

9:00 Open Convention

Wildwood Ballroom 28 – Entrance 11

- President's Welcome
- Flag Salute
- Introduction of State Board of Agriculture
- President's Remarks

9:30 Agriculture Address

Honorable Douglas H. Fisher
Secretary of Agriculture

10:00 Convention Business Session

- Roll Call of Delegates
- Description of Consent Calendar

10:15 Communication Channels to Growers

Jeff Beach
*Policy Advisor, Office of the Secretary, New Jersey
Department of Agriculture*

Jersey Fresh Marketing Review

Joe Atchison III
*Assistant Secretary of Agriculture and Director,
Division of Marketing and Development, New Jersey
Department of Agriculture*

10:45 Voting Session: Resolutions 1-6

**12:00 New Jersey Agricultural Society
Luncheon**

Avalon Ballroom 30 – Entrance Avalon 3

1:30 NJDA-VGANJ Joint Session

**Farmland Assessment Mapping Tool
Demonstration**

Frank Minch
*Director, Division of Agricultural and Natural
Resources, New Jersey Department of Agriculture*

Question & Answer Period

2:00 Voting Session: Resolutions 7-9

2:30 Legislators' Remarks

3:00 Speaker - TBD

3:30 Voting Session: Resolutions 10-13

4:00 Report from New Jersey Farm Bureau
Ryck Suydam, President

4:15 Youth Speaker – NJ FFA
Abigail Goodenough, President

4:30 Award Presentations

- Patrick Mullen Quality Grading
- Gold Medal Equine Stewardship Award

4:45 Committee Meetings

- Nominations Committee *Wildwood 12 & 13*
- Resolutions Committee *Wildwood 28*

Wednesday, February 9 *continued*

6:00 Joint Agricultural Convention

Dinner Banquet *Avalon Ballroom 30*

Keynote Speaker: TBD

- Distinguished Service to Agriculture Awards
2021 Melvin Henninger
2022 David Bond Sam Conard
Alan Danser Dan Farrand
Monique Purcell David Van Vorst
- Outstanding Young Farmer of the Year Award
2021 Hillary Barile
2022 Michael Beneduce
- Vegetable Grower of the Year Award
The Norz Family
- Blueberry Grower of the Year Award
The Haines Berry Farm

Wednesday, February 9

New Jersey Agricultural Education Advisory Council

1:30 PM

Sea Isle City Boardroom

Wednesday February 9 and Thursday, February 10

New Jersey Agricultural Leadership Development Program

Wildwood Ballroom 10

Thursday, February 10

9:00 Convention Session

Wildwood Ballroom 28 – Entrance 11

- Call to Order
- Introduction of State Board of Agriculture
- Roll Call of Delegates

9:15 Youth Speaker – NJ 4-H

9:30 “Lightning” Success Stories

10:00 Voting Session: Resolutions 14-18

10:45 Insurance Coverage and Succession/Estate Planning

Speakers: TBD

Question & Answer Period

11:15 Voting Session: Resolutions 19-22

12:00 Farm Credit East Luncheon

Avalon Ballroom 30 – Entrance Avalon 3

2:00 Report from Rutgers School of Environmental & Biological Sciences & NJ Experiment Station

Dr. Laura Lawson

Executive Dean

2:15 Voting Session: Resolutions 23-24

Vote on Consent Calendar – Resolutions 25-42

2:30 Elections

- State Board of Agriculture
- Fish and Game Council

2:50 Closing Remarks

Honorable Douglas H. Fisher
Secretary of Agriculture

The State Agricultural Convention is
presented by the:



The New Jersey State Board of Agriculture:

David DeFrange II, President
Dr. Ernest Beier III, Vice President
Paul J. Hlubik
Debbie L. Norz
Warren Hollinger
Holly Sytsema
Kurt W. Alstede
Lisa Specca