

**RCCA Agriculture Pre-conference Program Sept 24, 2018**

**Sept 24<sup>th</sup> 1:00 p.m. (Founders Hall, Snow College Main Campus)**

12:00 – 1:00 light lunch - as we gather	
1:00 Welcome & Introductions	30 min
1:30 Introduction to Snow College	15 min
1:45 What is FBM (Farm Business Management)? It's Fit in Rural Colleges (10 min presentations & 5 min Q&A) Panel presentation	60 min
Administrative Fit – Dr. Steve Hood (Snow College VP of Academic Affairs)	
Economic Fit – Commissioner Steve Lund (Sanpete County Commissioner)	
Academic Fit – Department Chair Stacee McIff (Snow College Business Dept. Chair)	
2:45 Survey Results of Snow College FBM (Kendra Bagley – Snow College FBM Instructor)	15 min
3:00 Break	15 min
3:15 Center for Farm Financial Management (Kevin Klair – Associate Director Center Farm Financial Management (CFFM) University of Minnesota Extension Economist Teaching FBM through distance learning, teaching modules	30 min
3:45 Farm Business Management Participants Panel (4 farmers, Farm Service Agency Loan Officer, Western Ag Credit Loan Officer) (5 min Presentations, 30 minutes of Moderated panel discussion & Q&A)	60 min
4:45 – 5:15 Panel of students who have made the connection between the academic side of ag business, the class room, and Farm Business Management, making a farm visit to see the application of the classroom to the real management of farms and ranches.	
Hotel 5:15 – 6:00	
6:00 Dinner (Dutch Oven - Outdoor Venue)	
<b><u>Sept 25<sup>th</sup> Hotel checkout</u></b>	
7:30 a.m. (Breakfast working meeting) Funding of FBM Programs	30 min
8:30 Tour Snow College Agriculture facilities – Classroom visits - (Ag Business classes, Ag Systems classes) Resources & Facilities – (Shop, Farm, Pivot & Equipment, Equine Facilities, rodeo practice arena UAV's, Drones)	2 hours
Break and Travel to Great Basin Education Center 10:30 – 11:00 (20 minutes from campus at 8900 ft. elevation)	
Wrap-up round table discussion with lunch 11:00 – 1:30 at Great Basin Education Center	
2:30 Depart for RCCA Conference in Park City Utah.	

## Snow College



## Great Basin Environmental Education Center



Located 10 miles east of Ephraim, at 8900 feet on the Wasatch Plateau, the established Great Basin Environmental Education Center is managed and staffed by Snow College. Considered one of the eight birthplaces of the U.S. Forest Service, the facility of nine historic buildings nestled in the pine and aspen forest was originally the Great Basin Experiment Station, established in 1912.

Dormitories, a lodge, classrooms, a field laboratory, a cafeteria, an amphitheater, and a dining hall are all restored and renovated to provide a living-learning center for up to 60 students, teachers and researchers. The site provides an excellent opportunity for a variety of hands-on field investigations, as well as a center for workshops, conferences, and retreats by institutions and organizations interested in environmental education.