

**Experiment Station Committee on Organization and Policy
Joint COPS/ESCOP Meeting Agenda**

**Marriott Savannah Riverfront
100 General McIntosh Boulevard
Savannah, GA 31401**

Tuesday July 24

5:30 – 7:00 pm ***Reception – Heavy Hors D’oeuvres***

Hosted by “Cornerstone Government Affairs – 10th Year Anniversary”

Wednesday July 25

8:00-noon Joint COPS Program Session

12:00 pm - 1:15 Joint Networking Luncheon for all Registrants

1:30 – 2:30 Joint Discussion on ESCOP-ECOP Communications

- Develop an understanding of current communications strategies by ECOP and ESCOP
- Identify opportunities and barriers
- Engage in a dialogue about how to create efficiencies and agree on critical messages.

Speakers:

- Bruce McPherson – introduction and session moderator (5 min)
- Doug Steele – overview of ECOP projects (5 min)
- Lee Sommers – overview ESCOP projects (5 min)
- Arlen Leholm overview of Communications and Marketing Committee (15 min)
- Discussion and Q/A (30 min)

2:30 ESCOP Meeting – room tba

Welcome and Introductions – Lee Sommers
Approval of February 27, 2012 ESCOP Meeting Minutes
Approval of the Agenda
Interim Actions

2:35 NIFA Conversation – Sonny Ramaswamy

3:30 Federal Budget Issues 2013-4 and beyond - Cornerstone Gov’t Affairs, Jim Richards, Hunt

3:50 Budget and Legislative Committee – Steve Slack /Mike Harrington

4:00 Science and Technology Committee: Roadmap Summary – Bill Ravlin/Dan Rossi

- 4:10 ESCOP Communications and Marketing Committee – Jerry Arkin/Arlen Leholm
- 4:15 NRSP Review Committee – Abel Ponce de Leon/Arlen Leholm
- Funding Requests for FY 2013
 - NRSP RC Operations
- 4:30 Nominations Subcommittee Report – Orlando McMeans
- 4:35 Policy Board of Directors – Steve Slack/Eric Young
- 4:40 Status of IPM Work Group – Mike Hoffman/Mike Harrington
- 5:00 CAST request for support – Lee Sommers
- 5:05 LEAD21 Update – Jeff Jacobsen
- 5:15 Report from ECOP – Doug [Lantagne](#), ECOP liaison to ESCOP
- 5:25 2012 ESS/SAES/ARD Meeting and Workshop Update – Mike Hoffman/Dan Rossi
- 5:30 Adjourn**