

RCAS Winter 2023 Presentations

Tampa/Brandon, FL



Monday, February 6, 2023

- 8:00 AM** Depart Embassy Suites for [Gulf Coast REC-Balm](#) (14625 County Road 672) **Note:** Shuttle service to/from Gulf Coast REC-Balm will be available.
- 8:45-9:00 AM** **Welcome & Introductions** – Jeremy Martin, RCAS Vice-President (NCSU-Sandhills Research), Dr. Jeanna Mastrodicasa, Associate Vice President for Agriculture & Natural Resources, Dr. Jack Rechcigl, Professor & Director of UF/IFAS Gulf Coast REC-Balm/Ft. Lauderdale REC-Davie
- 9:00-9:30 AM** **UF/IFAS Welcome & Research Overview, [PDF](#)** – Dr. Rob Gilbert, UF/IFAS Dean for Research & Director of [Florida Agricultural Experiment Station](#)
- 9:30-9:50 AM** **Florida Agriculture Overview , [PDF](#)** – Curt Williams, Assistant Director of Government & Community Affairs for the [Florida Farm Bureau Federation](#)
- 9:50-10:30 AM** **Animal Research Challenges including IACUC Approval, [PDF](#)** – Dr. Peter Hansen, UF/IFAS Department of Animal Sciences
- The Value of Partnerships: WV Land Grants and the Department of Agriculture, [PDF](#)**
– John Yost, West Virginia University
- 10:30-10:45 AM** **Break**
- 10:45-11:30 AM** **UAVs, Sensors, & Other Applied Research Technology, [PDF](#)** – Dr. Nathan Boyd, UF/IFAS Gulf Coast REC-Balm & Dr. Yiannis Ampatzidis, UF/IFAS Southwest Florida REC-Immokalee
- 11:30-12:00 PM** **Tornado Impact & Recovery at a REC, [PDF](#)** – Dr. Carrie Knott, Univ. of Kentucky REC-Princeton
- 12:00-1:00 PM** **Lunch**
- 1:00-2:15 PM** **Tour of Gulf Coast REC-Balm, [PDF](#)** (labs, greenhouses, & field research) – Host: Dr. Jack Rechcigl
- 2:15-2:45 PM** **Employee Recruitment & Retention, [PDF](#)** – Ken Scaife, OSU-CFAES, Director of Ag. Operations
- 2:45-3:15 PM** **Security at Outlying Centers and Stations, [PSS](#)**, file will download – Dr. Bridget Lassiter, NCSU-LK Wheeler Field Lab
- 3:15-3:45 PM** **Cost Recovery for Field, Grove, and Animal Research** – Mark McLaughlin, UF/IFAS [UFarm](#)
- 3:45-4:00 PM** **Break**
- 4:00-4:30 PM** **Food Safety Measures for Selling and/or Food Pantry Dispersal of Produce, etc., [PDF](#)**
– Dr. Michelle Danyluk, UF/IFAS Citrus REC-Lake Alfred
- RCAS Fall Tour 2023 University of Tennessee, [PDF](#)**
- 4:30-5:00 PM** **Maximizing Budgetary Allocations in Resource-challenged Times... a Panel Discussion** – Panel: Tim Reinbott, MO-AES, Mark Issacs, University of Delaware-Carvel REC, & Christian Christensen, UF/IFAS Hastings AEC & Regional Specialized Agent (Multi-County)
- 5:00-5:30 PM** **RCAS General Business Meeting**
- 5:30-6:00 PM** **Return to Embassy Suites-Brandon**
- 6:00 PM** **Dinner** (on your own)

