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Program
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Gulf Shores State Park
Gulf Shores, Alabama
March 23-25, 2000

David Buschena (Montana State U.), Group Chair
Loren Tauer (Cornell U.), Program Chair
Bob Taylor (Auburn U.), Local Arrangements Chair
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March 23 - Thursday

6:00 pm
Reception hosted by the National Cotton Council and the National Crop Insurance Service

March 24 - Friday

8:00
Welcome and Introductions

8:30-10:00

Invited Papers
Arne Hallam (Iowa State U.), Risk Research during the Last 25 Years.
Richard Just (U. of Maryland), Risk Research Opportunities for the Future.

10:00 - 10:30 Break

10:30 - 12:00

Presented Papers
Thomas O. Knight (Texas A&M), and Keith H. Coble (Mississippi State U.), What Does Actuarial Experience Reveal about Mean Yields and Crop Insurance Losses and What are the Implications for Insurance Ratemaking.
Shiva S. Makki and Agapi Somwaru (ERS, USDA), A Dynamic Analysis of Farmers Participation in Risk Insurance Markets.
Bobby Matheson (Agriculture & Agri-Food Canada), Private and Public Risk Management in Canadian Agriculture.

12:00 - 1:30 pm Lunch

1:30 - 3:00
Rick L. Hirschi (Western Illinois U.), Eric A. DeVuyst (North Dakota State U.) and John Braden (U. of Illinois), Easements as a Flood Mitigation and Risk Reduction Tool.


Mark A. Peters (ERS, USDA) and W. Terry Disney (APHIS, USDA), Using Value of Information to Rank Alternative Mitigation Strategies for Risky Animal Disease Import Decisions.

3:00 - 3:30 Break


Jeffrey M. Gillespie (Louisiana State U.) and Scott W. Fausti (South Dakota State U.), A Comparative Analysis of Risk Preference Elicitation Procedures Using Mail Survey Results.

Wesley N. Musser (U. of Maryland), George F. Patrick (Purdue U.) and Stanton Ullerich (Buena Vista College), A Behavioral Measure of Risk Preferences (Participatory Workshop).

March 25 - Saturday

8:30 - 10:00 am

Gregg Ibendahl and Ron Fleming (University of Kentucky), Controlling Aquifer Nitrogen Levels when Fertilizing Crops.

Paul D. Mitchell (Texas A&M), Bruce A. Babcock and David A. Hennessay (Iowa State U.), Impact of Imperfect Information and Green Insurance on Best Management Practice Adoption Incentives.


10:00 - 10:30 Break

10:30 - 11:30

Steven L. Klose, Joe L. Outlaw, and James W. Richardson (Texas A&M), Incorporating Spatial Correlation in Farm Level Risk Analysis.

Miranda P.M. Meuwissen, Marcel A.P.M. van Asseldonk, and Ruud B.M. Huirne (Wageningen University, The Netherlands), Derivatives for Potato Processing Industries in the Netherlands.

11:30 - 12:00 Business Meeting

12:00 Adjourn