

ANNUAL ZONE MEETING NOTICE AND AGENDA

2010 - ANNUAL ZONE MEETINGS – NSCP (ALL MEETINGS – 7:30 to 9:30 PM)

- Tuesday – February 2: Zone 2 – East Pictou Middle School
Zone Director: George Smith
- Tuesday – February 9: Zone 5 – Aylsford Fire Hall
Zone Director: Randy Neily (replacing Mike Horsnell)
- Monday – February 15: Zone 3 – Nappan, Pavilion
Zone Director: Marilyn Carter
- Wednesday – February 24; Zone 4 – Stewiacke United Church
Zone Director: John Tilley
- Monday – March 1: Zone 1 – Skye Glen Hall
Zone Director: William Cox
- Monday – March 1: Zone 6 – Yarmouth, Rodd Inn - Grand
Zone Director: Greg Sheffer
- Tuesday – March 2: Zone 6 – Bridgewater, Day's Inn
Zone Director: Greg Sheffer

NSCP – Annual Zone Meeting Agenda

1. Welcome by Chair Dave Oulton
2. Approval/additions of Agenda
3. 2009 Minutes, and response to minutes
4. New Market Opportunities – Sean Firth, Atlantic Stockyards
5. Beef Strategy Plan Update – John Tilley/Dave Oulton
6. *Wetlands Policy* Presentation – Jonathan Wort, Agripoint
7. Election of Zone Director: Zone 2, and Zone 5
8. Resolutions for the NSCP Annual Meeting – March 27, 2010
9. Information and discussion on current issues in the industry
10. Adjournment

In particular, the presentation by Sean Firth on New Market Opportunities will lead to specific market opportunities for those producers interested in pre-conditioned, protocol defined production. As well, information will be provided on the \$2 million Interest Relief Pay Down Program recently announced by the Minister of Agriculture.

Producers should be thinking about possible resolutions for the NSCP Annual meeting. Also, Zone 2 and Zone 5 meetings will be electing new Directors for the NSCP Board. This is a very challenging time to be serving the cattle producers of Nova Scotia but we need strong leadership if we are to find a profitable and sustainable way forward.