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TITLE: Trade Agreement Impacts on U.S. Agriculture

ABSTRACT: During the ten years since the implementation of The North American Free Trade Agreement, U.S., Canadian, and Mexican agricultural interests have faced both new opportunities and challenges. Now, the United States has recently concluded trade agreements with Chile and Central American countries while continuing to negotiate the Free Trade Area of the Americas. Agricultural economists from throughout North America will assess the impacts of these new trade agreements on U.S. agriculture and share their observations in this symposium. Lessons learned from recent experiences in free trade will be highlighted, examined, and discussed, and the implications for applied research and extension education program development will be discussed.

MODERATOR:

Darren Hudson, Mississippi State University

PARTICIPANTS:

Jaime Malaga, Texas Tech University, and Flynn Adcock, Texas A&M University
["U.S.-Chile FTA: Opportunities, Competition, and Complementary Relationships"](#)

Parr Rosson, Texas A&M University
["The Impact of CAFTA on U.S. Agriculture"](#)

Won Koo, North Dakota State University
["Free Trade of the Americas and Implications for U.S. Agriculture"](#)

Lynn Kennedy, Louisiana State University
["Potential Impacts on Sugar from New Trade Agreements"](#)

Respondent:

Mickey Paggi, Fresno State University
"Response and Lessons from NAFTA"

FORMAT: Hudson will introduce the topic and moderate the symposium. Malaga and Adcock will identify the major components of the U.S.-Chile FTA, highlight opportunities for U.S. agriculture, and discuss the nature of imports from Chile. Rosson discuss the major growth areas

and potential competition related to the CAFTA agreement. Koo will provide an overview of the current status of FTAA negotiations and examine the potential impacts of increased trade throughout the Western Hemisphere. Kennedy will focus on the impacts of the FTAA and CAFTA on the U.S. sugar industry. Paggi will briefly respond to the presentations, identify the major implications for the development of applied research and extension programs, and set the stage for continued discussion.