

CANADIAN WILD PIG SUMMIT



PRELIMINARY AGENDA

April 22- 24, 2024, Brandon, Manitoba

Monday, April 22

Welcome Reception, 6 – 8 pm

Assiniboine Community College, Len Evans Centre for Trades and Technology, 1035 1st Street North, Brandon

Tuesday, April 23

Registration & Refreshments, 7:45 – 8:30 am

The Dome (Display Building No.II), Keystone Centre Grounds, Provincial Exhibition of Manitoba 1175 18th St

Welcome & Greetings	8:30 – 9:00 am	Welcome from the organizers <i>Animal Health Canada</i> <i>Squeal on Pigs/Manitoba Pork</i> <i>Assiniboine Community College</i>
		Greetings from the province of Manitoba <i>Honourable Ron Kostyshyn, Minister of Agriculture</i>
Trapper's Forum	9:00 – 10:30 pm	Managing wild boar during a disease outbreak <i>Egbert Gleitch & Carl Gremse, Brandenburg State Forest Services, Germany</i>
		Field experience capturing escaped domestic pigs <i>Travis McGee, Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources & Forestry</i>
		Field experience capturing invasive wild boar <i>Devon Baete, Squeal on Pigs Manitoba, Manitoba Pork</i>
		Discussion: Best practices & new ideas for capturing pigs at large
		Break 10:30 – 11:00 am
Program Implementation	11:00 – 12:00 pm	Ontario's legislative framework for wild pig control <i>Paula Julio, Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources & Forestry</i>
		Feral pig legislation in British Columbia – past, present and future <i>Emily Lomas, British Columbia Ministry of Water, Land & Resource Stewardship</i>
		Lunch 12:00 – 1:00 pm
Research Show Case	1:00 – 1:40 am	Does wild boar spread increase disease risk in Alberta? <i>Mathieu Pruvot, Wildlife Health & Ecology, Faculty of Veterinary Medicine, University of Calgary</i>
		Predicting movement and establishing lineage of wild pigs <i>Ryan Brook, Animal & Poultry Science/ Indigenous Land Management Institute, University of Sask</i>
Building Awareness	1:40 – 2:30 am	Invasive species campaign & public awareness <i>Gabby Nichols, Canadian Council on Invasive Species</i>
		How to reach the public working with the media <i>Ed White, Western Producer</i>

Question Period

Break 2:30 – 3:00 pm

Tool Kit for Detection, Control & Eradication

3:00 – 4:30 pm

Use of Artificial Intelligence to screen video

Hannah McKenzie, Alberta Agriculture & Irrigation

Information & mapping systems for monitoring and population control

Arne Thorlacius, Squeal on Pigs Manitoba

Environmental DNA detection for wild pigs

*Brent Guppy, BioScision Diagnostic Labs, Manitoba
James Hood, School of Agriculture & Environment,
Assinibione Community College, Manitoba*

What we can learn from collared wild pigs

Kurt VerCauteren, USDA

CanSpot surveillance for invasive wild pigs

Christa Arsenault, Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs

Wednesday, April 24

Field trip to Spruce Woods Provincial Park

8:00 am – 2:00

Buses depart from and return to the Dome

Refreshments, a light breakfast & lunch provided

Pig Wallow

2:00 – 4:00 pm

Trapping experiences from abroad

Aaron Sumrall, Pig Brig Trap Systems

Training Trappers

Rod Pinkston, Jager Pro

EVENT PARTNERS:



The Canadian Wild Pig Summit has funding through the Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada's African Swine Fever Industry Preparedness Program that supports planning efforts to prevent and control the spread of African swine fever through wild pigs.



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