

Becker Forum, February 8th, Syracuse OnCenter
DRAFT Timed Agenda...

8:30 Registration

8:50 Welcome and Introductions

9:00 **Research Update: New York Farm Workforce in Transition.** Richard Stup, Cornell University

9:30 **Regulating Union Organizing in NY Agriculture.** John Wirenius or Sara Coleman, NY Public Employer Relations Board

10:00 Break

10:15 **What to do when a letter arrives from PERB.** Joshua Viau from Fisher Phillips

10:45 **Making your case with your employees, before and after organizing begins.** Hilary Moreira from Bond Schoeneck & King

11:15 **Q&A with Attorneys Viau and Moreira**

11:45 **Albany Legislative Update.** Jeff Williams, Public Policy Director, New York Farm Bureau

12:00 Lunch Break

12:45 **H-2A and Federal Legislative Update:** Michael Marsh, National Council of Agricultural Employers (NCAE)

1:30 **Financial Literacy for Farm Workers.** Sheila Marshman, SUNY Morrisville and Julie Patterson, Patterson Farms

2:00 **Producer Panel on Labor Efficiency (employee development, time tracking, better labor planning)**

2:45 Break

3:00 **Managing Stress and Staying Positive.** Jennifer Schwytzer, Family Consultant, NY FarmNet

3:45 **Governor's "Working Group to Support New York Farmers."** Commissioner Richard Ball or designee

4:00 **Wrap Up and Evaluations**

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