

# 2021 IIAND Crop Conference

October 27, 2021

Bismarck, ND



## Welcome Agents, Lenders & Farmers!



### Daryl Ritchison, NDAWN

9:30-10:30 am

Daryl Ritchison is currently the Director of the North Dakota Agricultural Weather Network (NDAWN) through North Dakota State University (NDSU). He spends his time on research, public outreach and development and enhancement of tools for NDAWN, a network of 139 weather stations located throughout North Dakota, eastern Montana and Minnesota. He also presents short and long term forecasts for the state of North Dakota and the upper Midwest and is a well known public speaker on various topics. Previous to his current position he worked for 25 years as a meteorologist at midwestern television stations including WDAY-TV and WDAZ-TV.



### Jim Wiesemeyer, ProFarmer (appearing virtually)

10:30-11:30 am

From his office near Washington, DC, Jim Wiesemeyer contributes daily to Pro Farmer's online website at FarmJournalPro.com, providing members with the latest information on agricultural policy and trade developments. He also participates in Farm Journal's Agri-Talk radio program and serves as a Washington analyst for Pro Farmer. Since 1978, he has reported on and interviewed senior government officials, including Presidents and USDA Secretaries. He has traveled extensively and is a frequent speaker on farm policy and trade issues. Wiesemeyer rejoined Pro Farmer in June this year, after serving as their Washington consultant for 19 years while at Informa Economics. He also writes for the Agriculture Letter, formerly the Kiplinger Ag Letter, now owned by Farm Journal Media. He was also the Washington bureau chief for Futures World News (FWN). Prior to Pro Farmer, he was a Washington editor with Doane's Agricultural Report and Washington editor and managing editor of the Washington Farmletter.



### Katie Dilse

11:30-12:30 pm

Identified as one of the **Top 40 under 40 business leaders** in the Midwest, The Business Watch magazine recognized Katie for professional development, community contributions, and her influential voice. The Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis relied on her reports to advise their agriculture decision makers. The Great American Wheat Harvest captured this North Dakota farm girl in its award-winning documentary. Katie loves tractors and work boots, yet as a guest at the National Ag Day in Washington, D.C., and a Finalist for Farm and Ranch Guide Country Woman of the Year, she was comfortable with the red carpet, and invigorating conversations with others from all walks of life.

**Lunch 12:30-1:00pm**

To Register, Log On to:

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\$100 for members  
\$125 for nonmembers  
\$50 for morning session only

**Location: Heritage Center, 612 E Boulevard Ave**

**RMA: 2022 Crop Insurance Update/Q&A 1-3pm**

(Appearing virtually)



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