



2026 ANNUAL CONFERENCE
October 5, 2026 – October 8, 2026

Embassy Suites Grand Rapids
710 Monroe Ave NW
Grand Rapids, MI 49503

Monday – October 5

2:00 PM – 6:00 PM	Registration
4:00 PM – 5:00 PM	Board of Directors Meeting
6:00 PM – 8:00 PM	Welcome Reception
8:00 PM – 10:00 PM	Networking Room

Tuesday – October 6

7:00 AM – 8:00 AM	Registration / Breakfast (on your own)
8:00 AM – 8:30 AM	Welcome Dr. Tim Boring, MDARD Director
8:30 AM – 9:30 AM	NGFA 2026 Policy Priorities and Issues Update Jess McClure, National Grain and Feed Association
9:30 AM – 10:00 AM	Protecting Producers Together: An Industry Perspective on Grain Dealer Audits Robert Geers, Michigan Agricultural Commodities
10:00 AM – 10:15 AM	Break
10:15 AM – 12:00 PM	Roll Call and Updates AGRO Members
12:00 PM – 1:30 PM	Lunch (on your own)
1:30 PM – 2:00 PM	Grain Balance Sheets and Markets Angie Setzer, Consus

2:00PM – 3:00 PM

Grain Marketing

Jeff Reardon, White Commercial

3:00PM – 3:15 PM

Break

3:15PM – 4:15 PM

USDA Update

Carie Cameron, USDA

5:00 PM – 7:00 PM

Dinner (on your own)

7:00 PM – 10:00 PM

Networking Room

Wednesday – October 7

7:00 AM – 8:00 AM

Breakfast (on your own)

8:00 AM – 8:45 AM

The Financial Condition of the Grain & Farm Supply Industry

Matt Hellwig, CoBank

8:45 AM – 9:45 AM

Smart Phone Grain Analysis

Ruchi Ryley, AXON Americas – INARIX

9:45 AM – 10:00 AM

Break

10:00 AM – 10:30 AM

Simplifying Checkoff Program Audits and Administration

Easton Kuboushek, Iowa Soybean Association/Checkoff Pro

10:30 AM – 11:30 AM

Committee Meetings & Report Out

11:30 AM – 12:30 PM

Lunch (on your own)

12:30 PM – 12:40 PM

Meet in lobby for transportation to offsite tour

12:40PM – 4:15 PM

Tour of Founders Brewing Company and Ed Dunneback & Girls Farm Market

4:15 PM – 4:30 PM

Return from tour

5:30 PM – 5:40 PM	Meet in lobby for transportation to President's Banquet
6:00 PM – 8:00 PM	President's Banquet
8:00 PM – 10:00 PM	Networking Room

Thursday – October 8

7:00 AM – 8:00 AM	Breakfast (on your own)
8:00 AM – 9:00 AM	Grain Measurement Technology James Case, VEGA
9:00 AM – 9:45 AM	ExamNet and ExamHand Update Mike Delong, ExamNet
9:45 AM – 10:00 AM	Break
10:00 AM – 11:00 AM	Reality Capture Technology Patrick Crawford, Leica
11:00 AM – 11:30 AM	Business Meeting
11:30 AM – 12:00 PM	Board of Directors Meeting