

2024 FALL LEGISLATIVE FLY-IN



Updated September 5; materials are available at www.nfu.org/fly-in
Dates and times subject to change. **All times Eastern.**

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

Emerging Leaders Happy Hour: 6:00pm – 8:00pm

20 F Street NW – 1st Floor Conference Center

Emerging Leaders are invited to join in a happy hour with snacks and drinks. Participants will hear from young leaders in Farmers Union and have time to build relationships with members from across the country.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

Fly-in Opening and USDA Briefing: 8:00am – 11:45am

U.S. Department of Agriculture South Building, 1400 Independence Avenue SW

Participants must line up at **7:00 am** at the Wing 5 (five) Entrance of the USDA South Building with Fly-In name tags and photo IDs for the security screening. The session begins at 8am in the Jefferson Auditorium. No food or beverages are allowed in the auditorium.

- Welcome and introductions from NFU
- Remarks, U.S. Secretary of Agriculture **Tom Vilsack**
- Presentations by USDA leaders:
 - Under Secretary for Marketing and Regulatory Programs **Jenny Lester Moffitt**
 - Farm Service Agency Administrator **Zach Ducheneaux**
 - Under Secretary for Farm Production and Conservation **Robert Bonnie**
 - Deputy Secretary of Agriculture **Xochitl Torres-Small**

Following the presentations, participants may visit the USDA cafeteria to purchase lunch.

Capitol Hill Briefing: 1:15pm – 4:00pm

325 Russell Senate Office Building (2 Constitution Ave NE) – Kennedy Caucus Room

Participants may enter the Russell Senate Office Building by any of the doors open to visitors. All Fly-In participants are welcome to attend this event, where leaders from key federal agencies and the Senate Agriculture Committee will provide policy updates about Fly-In priorities. Expected speakers include:

- Chair of the Federal Trade Commission **Lina Khan**
- Environmental Protection Agency Administrator **Michael Regan**
- Assistant Attorney General for Antitrust **Jonathan Kanter**
- Leaders of the Senate Agriculture Committee

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 9 – continued

“Gathering in the Spirit of Cooperation”: 4:30pm – 6:30pm

20 F Street NW – Rooftop Terrace

Open to all Fly-In participants! Join with Farmers Union members from across the country to enjoy a late-afternoon reception at the NFU office rooftop terrace. Appetizers and refreshments will be served. This event is co-hosted by NFU’s cooperative and cooperative association partners – Farm Credit, Organic Valley, NCBA CLUSA, CoBank, National Council of Farmer Cooperatives, and National Milk Producers Federation. In the event of inclement weather, this gathering will be held in the lobby.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

Capitol Hill and Agency Meetings: 8:00am – 5:00pm

Fly-In participants will meet with Members of Congress and their staff to discuss Farmers Union priorities. Several group meetings will be held with staff from key federal agencies. Contact your state division or group lead for more information on meeting times and details.

NFUPAC Fundraising Reception: 5:00pm – 7:00pm

20 F Street NW – 3rd Floor

\$100 suggested contribution. Support the work of NFUPAC and join in a reception with light refreshments and fellowship. A few lawmakers are expected to drop by to share their greetings and to meet NFUPAC contributors. Space is limited for this event.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

Capitol Hill and Agency Meetings: 8:00am – Noon

White House Briefing: 10:00am – 11:30am

Eisenhower Executive Office Building; corner of 17th St. NW and New York Ave. NW

Participants should **line up no later than 9:30am** at the visitors’ entrance to the Eisenhower Executive Office Building (EEOB). White House staff and advisors will brief Farmers Union members on policy priorities. Participation in this event has been allocated on a state-by-state basis per the number of fly-in attendees from each state Farmers Union division. Participants are required to submit additional personal identification information for security in advance.

White House Tour: 12:00pm – 1:00pm

The White House; corner of 15th Street NW and Hamilton Place NW

Guests should **line up at 11:45am** at the tour entrance to the White House grounds. All Fly-In participants are invited to join this self-guided tour of the White House and the grounds, and a link to register in advance is available from Farmers Union state divisions. Fly-In participants who take part in the 9:30am White House Briefing may move directly to this tour. The tour is expected to last 45 minutes to one hour.