

Today is _____, _____ the _____. This is Ken Morgan's Northcoast Ag Report, our lead story is about _____ when we return

A prominent GOP ag Senator says the president should talk less about renegotiating trade deals and just "do it."

Former Finance Committee Chair Senator Chuck Grassley was uncharacteristically direct when asked about President Trump's very public pronouncements on renegotiating trade deals...tape

Cut #1 _____ :29 OC:... "to be avoided."

That uncertainty led to market jitters and loud protests from the agriculture community recently, before prodding by Ag Secretary Sonny Perdue and others convinced Trump to stick with the North American Free Trade Agreement, but rework it. Grassley expects the same for the 2011 South Korea deal.

Secretary Perdue to Attend House Ag Committee Hearing on Rural Economy

Agriculture Secretary Sonny Perdue will take part in a House Agriculture Committee hearing next week on the rural economy. The House Agriculture Committee will hold the hearing next Wednesday, May 17th. The hearing seeks testimony on how the rural and farm economy is holding up amid a downturn in farm income and commodity prices. House Agriculture Committee Chairman Mike Conaway notes that the farm economy is in the midst of a four-year, 50 percent decline. He says Secretary Perdue will share his perspective on the economic outlook in rural America, along with his vision for USDA and the role it will play in ensuring that our country "continues to enjoy the safest, most abundant, and most affordable food supply in the world."

This is a friendly reminder for the Dairy Calf Workshop this Thursday from 10-1 pm at the Ferndale City Hall. Lunch is donated by Western United Dairymen, but we need RSVPs to assess food needs. Please RSVP (707-445-7351) as soon as possible if you plan on attending!

Topics include:

Animal Disease Traceability (ADT) Regulation Changes - Meghan Mott, DVM: Redding District State Veterinarian

Management Solutions for Pneumonia– Betsy Karle– UCCE
Area Dairy Farm Advisor and County Director: Glenn County

Colostrum Management Tips– Munashe Chigerwe, BVSc, MPH, PhD
Associate Professor, UC Davis School of Veterinary Medicine

Experiences from the Pathology Lab– Rob Moeller, DVM, DACVP, DABT
Pathologist, California Animal Health & Food Safety Lab, Tulare

Veterinarian's Viewpoint: Local Calf Challenges- Jennifer Renner, DVM
Ferndale Veterinary Hospital

Look forward to seeing you there!

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