

62nd Annual Board of Delegates Meeting

July 25-27, 2022
Sacramento, California



MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIRMAN



Dear Members,

Please plan to join us at the 62nd Annual Board of Delegates Meeting, scheduled for July 25-27, 2022, in Sacramento, California.

In keeping with my theme - *Together in Trade*, you will have an opportunity to engage and work directly with members of the Council's staff to deepen your understanding of the critical efforts they undertake globally for our industry.

During our time together in person in Sacramento, we will hear the latest market updates, learn from motivational speakers and meet with our Advisory Teams and sectors where you can provide recommendations for our work to develop markets, enable trade and improve lives. Your direction will help us establish priorities in the coming year and guide the Council's efforts with new programs it is undertaking to find and grow global markets.

I am confident you will leave this meeting with a renewed dedication to the work we can do



together to build trade for coarse grains and ethanol exports while fulfilling the Council's mission.

I look forward to seeing you in Sacramento.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Chad Willis".

Sincerely,

Chad Willis | Chairman



PLANNING GUIDE

The U.S. Grains Council will be holding its 62nd Board of Delegates Meeting in Sacramento, California at the Hyatt Regency Sacramento. Situated across from the 40-acre California State Capitol Park, the hotel is surrounded by restaurants and shopping and is within walking distance of Capitol Mall, Crocker Art Museum, Old Sacramento Waterfront and more.

HOTEL RESERVATIONS

All meetings will take place at the:

Hyatt Regency Sacramento
1209 L Street
Sacramento, California 95814

Make reservations online at the Council's website, www.grains.org/sacramento, or by calling the hotel's reservations department at (916) 443-1234 and mentioning the U.S. Grains Council meeting to receive the discounted rate. The reservations deadline is Friday, June 24, 2022. After this date, the hotel will accept reservations on a space-available basis. The Council has negotiated a room rate of \$205 USD per night, single or double occupancy, plus a 16 percent tax. Check-in time is 3 p.m.; check-out time is 12 p.m.

GROUND TRANSPORTATION

Hyatt Regency Sacramento is located ten miles to Sacramento International Airport (airport code: SMF) and just one mile to the Sacramento Valley Station for Amtrak service. Contact the Concierge for assistance with reservations for Super Shuttle, Yellow Cab or other ride sharing options.

Transportation to the hotel via taxi will cost approximately \$28 one-way. Uber or Lyft are available at an estimated cost of \$23 one-way.

ATTIRE

Business casual attire is appropriate for all meetings. Casual attire with comfortable shoes is appropriate for tours. The offsite event will be casual attire. In Sacramento, the average high temperature for July is 94 degrees and average low is 61 degrees.



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THE MEETING AGENDA

SUNDAY, JULY 24

Afternoon

Optional Tour: Old Sacramento History Walking Tour

Board of Directors Meeting

MONDAY, JULY 25

Morning

Introducing the Council Breakfast: This session is designed for first time attendees to meet USGC board and staff members and learn how to take full advantage of the USGC membership meeting. By invitation only.

Checkoff/USGC Staff Breakfast: Checkoff and USGC staff convene. By invitation only.

General Session: Start the day with a welcome to Sacramento, California. Hear from speakers who are giving us up-to-date information on trade, current topics and our markets.

Spouse/Guest Welcome Breakfast: Join old friends and make new ones at this welcome for spouses and guests. There is no charge for this event, but registration is required.

Afternoon

A-Team Meetings: USGC Advisory Teams (A-Teams), the backbone of the Council, guide strategy and key topics related to Asia, ethanol, innovation and sustainability, Middle East/Africa/South Asia, trade policy, value-added and Western Hemisphere. Those who are not members of an A-Team are encouraged to sit in on these sessions to learn more about USGC programs.

Evening

Evening Reception: Join fellow USGC members at an evening reception – a great opportunity to network with industry colleagues, get acquainted with members and talk with USGC staff.

THE MEETING AGENDA

TUESDAY, JULY 26

Morning

Sector Meetings: Discuss issues with colleagues and USGC staff during meetings organized by sector: agribusiness, corn, barley, general farm organizations or sorghum.

General Session: Come back together to discuss opportunities, challenges and issues affecting international trade and market access.

Late Morning

Optional Tour: Olive Mill Tour and Tasting and Wood-fired Pizza

Afternoon

A-Team Meetings: Continue discussing specific trade issues and recommendations to USGC staff.

Evening

Offsite Event: This is a can't miss foodertainment! At Punch Bowl Social Sacramento, you will experience good food, fun games and even better company. Take time to get to know members and staff in this casual and enjoyable atmosphere. This event is free for registered attendees; additional guests can register for \$100 each.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 27

Morning

Board of Delegates Meeting: The Council's business meeting will include presentations to the USGC Board of Delegates on priorities and key takeaways from their breakout sessions, election, out-going chairman's comments as well as incoming chairman's remarks.

Late Morning/Afternoon

Board of Directors and A-Team Leaders Meeting

Optional Tour: Hop Farm Brewery Tour and Tasting

OPTIONAL TOURS & EVENTS

SUNDAY, JULY 24

Tour **Old Sacramento History Walking Tour**

Explore this historic riverfront district with gold rush era buildings, wooden sidewalks and cobblestoned streets on this guided walking tour. Learn about the rich history of this region from the building of the railroad to bootlegging, while strolling the scenic shops.

Cost: \$70

Tour Includes:

Roundtrip transportation, guided tour and a sweet treat!

TUESDAY, JULY 26

Tour **Olive Mill Tour and Tasting and Wood-fired Pizza**

Visit a state of the art olive mill, owned by one of the most awarded olive oil producers in the world, and get a behind the scenes tour of the mill. Learn how olives are crushed to make olive oil and enjoy a guided olive oil tasting.

Cost: \$100

Tour Includes:

Roundtrip transportation, guided tour, guided olive oil tasting, lunch of wood fired pizza

TUESDAY, JULY 26

Social **Offsite Event**

Join Council staff and members for an evening of food and entertainment!. At Punch Bowl Social Sacramento, you will experience good food, fun games and even better company.

Cost: \$100

Includes:

Roundtrip transportation, entertainment and dinner.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 27

Tour **Hop Farm Brewery Tour and Tasting**

First thing - you will be handed a beer! This experience will take you on a deep dive of the terroir of beer and how hops are grown. On this guided hop farm and brewery tour from the farmer himself, you will learn how they grow hops, harvest it, dry it and turn it into beer, tasting beer all along the way, including a tank tasting.

Cost: \$100

Tour Includes:

Roundtrip transportation, guided tour, beer tasting, snack