

CANADIAN WILD PIG SUMMIT

PRELIMINARY AGENDA

April 22- 24, 2024, Brandon, Manitoba

Monday, April 22

Welcome Reception, 6 – 8 pm

Assiniboine Community College, Len Evans Centre for Trades and Technology
1035 1st Street North, Brandon Manitoba

Tuesday, April 23

Registration & Refreshments, 7:45 – 8:30 am

The Dome, Keystone Centre Grounds, Provincial Exhibition of Manitoba

Welcome & Greetings

8:30 – 9:00 am

Welcome from the organizers

Animal Health Canada
Squeal on Pigs/Manitoba Pork
Assiniboine Community College

Greetings from the province of Manitoba

Honourable Ron Kostyshyn, Minister of Agriculture

Building Awareness

9:00 – 10:00 am

Invasive species campaign & public awareness

Canadian Council on Invasive Species

How to reach the public working with the media

Ed White, Western Producer

Question Period

Break 10:00 – 10:30 am

Research Show Case

10:30 – 11:00 am

Does wild boar spread increase disease risk in Alberta?

Mathieu Pruvot, Wildlife Health & Ecology, Faculty of Veterinary Medicine, University of Calgary

Program Implementation

11:00 – 12:00 pm

Ontario's legislative framework for wild pig control

Paula Julio, Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources & Forestry

Legislative tools to address wild pigs

Emily Lomas, British Columbia Ministry of Water, Land & Resource Stewardship

Discussion: Essential components of a legislative framework to address wild pig control

Lunch 12:00 – 1:00 pm

Tuesday, April 23

The Dome, Keystone Centre Grounds, Provincial Exhibition of Manitoba

Trapper's Forum

1:00 – 2:50 pm

Field experience capturing escaped domestic pigs
Travis McGee, Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources & Forestry

Field experience capturing Eurasian wild boar
Devon Baete, Squeal on Pigs Manitoba, Manitoba Pork

International Expertise in Wild Pig Control
TBD

Discussion: Best practices & new ideas for capturing pigs at large

Break 2:50 – 3:20 pm

Tool Kit for Detection, Control & Eradication

3:20 – 5:30 pm

Use of AI to screen video
Hannah McKenzie, Alberta Agriculture & Irrigation

Information & mapping systems for monitoring and population control
Manitoba, Squeal on Pigs

Environmental DNA detection for wild pigs
Brent Guppy, BioScision Diagnostic Labs, Manitoba
James Hood, School of Agriculture & Environment, Assinibione Community College

CanSpot surveillance for wild pigs
Christa Arsenault, Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs

Wednesday, April 24

Field trip to Spruce Woods Provincial Park, 8:00 am – 2:00 pm

Buses depart from the Dome at 8:00 am and return to the Dome at 2:00 pm

Refreshments, a light breakfast & lunch will be provided

Pig Wallow, The Dome, 2:30 – 4:00 pm

Ideas & next steps to address practical issues.

