

Please note: program details, including speakers and session topics, are subject to change.

Day 1: Wednesday, June 24, 2026

10:00-12:00 pm:	Registration Desk Open
12:00-5:00 pm:	Farm Tours & Summerland Pacific Agri-Food Research Centre (includes lunch & transportation) Funded by the Sustainable Canadian Agricultural Partnership, a federal-provincial initiative.
5:00-7:00 pm:	Welcome Reception Location: Fitzpatrick Family Vineyards Sponsored by Scotiabank

Day 2: Thursday, June 25, 2026

7:00-9:00 am:	Registration Desk Open
8:00-8:30 am:	Doors Open & Networking
8:30 am:	Welcome by MP Helena Konanz, Similkameen-South Okanagan-West Kootenay Opening Remarks by Honourable Lana Popham, Minister of Agriculture and Food
8:45 am-12:30 pm:	Morning Keynote: Dr. Ken Coates <i>Resurrecting British Columbia's Economy, as if Communities Matter: Why Agriculture Needs to Have a Future and a Past</i> Sponsored by TD Agriculture Services
	Session 1: Panelists Chris Bodnar, Matt Creechan (KPMG), Dr. Ken Coates, Scott Ross (CFA) <i>Farming at the Edge: The Missing Middle</i>
	Session 2: Vaughn Palmer and Keith Baldrey <i>Edge of the Ledge: An Inside Look into BC's Political Landscape</i>
	Policy Roundtable Session: Introductory Remarks by MP John Barlow <i>Aligning for Success: Cross-Jurisdictional Approaches to Regulatory Efficiency</i> Moderators: Scott Ross & Danielle Synotte
12:30-1:30 pm:	Lunch Sponsored by Farm Credit Canada
1:30-4:30 pm:	Remarks by Honourable Jennifer Whiteside, Minister of Labour
	BC Young Farmers Scholarship Presentation
	Session 3: David Coletto <i>The Trust Factor: How Public Perception Impacts Agriculture's Growth</i> Sponsored by FortisBC
	Session 4: The Next Generation's Reckoning: The Financial Reality Facing BC's Young Farmers An honest discussion with BC's next generation on rising costs, growing debt and the imminent needs to continue farming Funded by the Sustainable Canadian Agricultural Partnership, a federal-provincial initiative.
	Afternoon Keynote: Jean-Philippe (JP) Gervais <i>Future-Proofing BC Agriculture: Driving Growth and Competitiveness</i> Sponsored by SFU B.C. Centre for Agritech Innovation
5:30 pm:	Registration Desk Open
6:15-10:00 pm:	Gala Reception & Program Sponsored by Agricultural Credit Corporation