



Three Rivers Convention Center, Kennewick, WA
Tuesday, December 7, 2021
PROGRAM*

7:30 a.m. Registration Desk Opens
Grab and Go Breakfast Sponsored by Callisons

Morning Session

8:30 a.m. **Welcome**

8:40 a.m. **Mint Makes Memories Campaign Launch** – Tracy Harmon, iHeart Media (*virtual*)

9:20 a.m. **Supply Chain Challenges and US Port Bottleneck** – Northwest Sea Port Alliance

10:00 a.m. **Morning Break - Coffee and Pastries Sponsored by RCB International**

10:20 a.m. **Fuel Update** – Tina Hampton, Supply and Trade Manager, Christensen (*in person*)

11:00 a.m. **Up to Date Report on Activities of the Mint Industry Research Council** – Steve Salisbury, Research Director, MIRC (*in person*)

11:50 a.m. **Luncheon - Sponsored by Labbeemint**

Noon **Washington Mint Commission's – Annual Meeting**
Mint Grower of the Year, Friend of the Industry, Lifetime Achievement Award

Afternoon Session – Researchers Session

1:30 p.m. **The Mint Varietal Improvement Project** – Mark Lange, Washington State University, Pullman, WA (*Virtual*)

1:50 p.m. **Weed Research in Mint** – Ray Baker, Agricultural Research Technician, Washington State University, Prosser, WA (*in person*)

2:10 p.m. **Pest Management / Nitrogen Management & Water Management in Spearmint** – Doug Walsh, Washington State University, Prosser, WA (*in person*)

2:50 p.m. **Identifying Action Thresholds for Verticillium Wilt IPM in Mint** – Jeremiah Dung, Assistant Professor, Oregon State University (*in person*)

3:10 p.m. **Afternoon Break - Mint Ice Cream Social Sponsored by Norwest Ingredients**

3:30 p.m. **Climate Change and its Effects on Agriculture in Washington and the PNW** – Kirti Rajagopalan, CSANR, WSU (*in person*)

4:20 p.m. **Buyers Report** – A.J. Todd, A.M. Todd Mint Division, WILD Flavors & Specialty Ingredients (*in person*)

5:10 p.m. **Awarding of Mint Baskets - Mint Baskets Sponsored by Northwest Farm Credit Services**

5:20 p.m. **Conference Adjournment**

5:30 p.m. **WA Mint Growers Association Annual Meeting - All Are Invited to Attend**

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