

Wisconsin Institute for Public Policy and Service: National experts to address U.S. China tariff impacts on Wisconsin agriculture at June 18 public forum

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The raising of U.S. tariffs to 25 percent on \$200 billion of annual Chinese imports on May 10, along with China's announced retaliation, is the latest escalation in the U.S.-China trade tensions. How will this impact central Wisconsin's ginseng, dairy, corn and soybean producers?

A free public forum on June 18 will address this issue, focusing on U.S.-China trade relations and its impact on agriculture in central Wisconsin - and beyond.

A panel of national experts on agriculture will discuss, "What's at Stake for Central Wisconsin's Agriculture?" and will examine:

- Current state of U.S.-China trade relations
- Impact on the local and global economy (including potential for millions of dollars in lost revenue for state's ag business)
- What we can expect going forward

A new panelist, Bradley Pfaff, will be joining the discussion. Pfaff is secretary-designee for the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection. Pfaff has spent most of his career working on behalf of Wisconsin farmers and rural residents at the local, state and national level. He has served as executive director for the U.S. Department of Agriculture Farm Service Agency.

When: June 18

Time: 7-8:30 p.m.

Location: UW Center for Civic Engagement
625 Stewart Avenue
Wausau, WI

Other expert panelists are: Dr. Ian Coxhead, UW-Madison Department of Agricultural and Applied Economics; Don Radtke, Wisconsin Farm Bureau and Will Hsu, Hsu Ginseng. Moderator will be Pam Jahnke, Wisconsin Farm Radio Report.

A number of Wisconsin made, free food samples will be available before the event, including ginseng tea packets from Hsu Ginseng, cranberry snacks from Wisconsin State Cranberry Growers Association, fresh cheese curds from Mullins Cheese, and the famous Babcock ice-cream from UW-Madison's "Get the Scoop" ice-cream truck.

The forum is being presented by the Wisconsin Institute for Public Policy and Service, part of its 2019 Public Issues Series, and The UW-Madison Center for East Asian Studies (CEAS), in its inaugural "East Asia Now" series.

This program is made possible through the support of Dean Dietrich and Kevin Hermening, two Wausau businessmen who are committed to open, nonpartisan dialogue.

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