IGP Institute Hosts Kansas Commodity Outlook and Tailgate Prior to Home Football Game Versus Iowa State

The Kansas grain commodity groups hosted producers and other grain industry representatives from around the state for a commodity outlook and tailgate event prior to the Kansas State vs. Iowa State football game in Manhattan on Oct. 16. The event was held at the IGP Institute Conference Center and featured food, games, and informational displays from the individual commodity groups as well as the Department of Grain Science and Industry and the Masters of Ag Business program at Kansas State University. The annual event was started by the Kansas Corn Commission several years ago and was expanded to include the other grain commission members this year.

Guy Allen said the event was a success with more than 80 participants in attendance. He added that plans are under way to make it an annual event each fall during football season, with the possibility of adding a spring session during basketball season.

The program featured a K-State Ag Markets Panel Discussion with a focus on commodity market highlights and supply chain issues affecting the overall import and export of grains. The event was moderated by K-State Agriculture Today host Eric Atkinson and featured Allen Featherstone, Ag Economics department head; Dan O’Brien, K-State Extension Economist; and Guy Allen, IGP Senior Economist.

Participants gather to view the exhibits and visit during the Kansas Commodity Outlook and Tailgate event.
October Trainings and Activities

- AFIA/KSU 500: Fundamentals of Feed Manufacturing – 40 participants
- AFIA/KSU 500: Fundamentals of Feed Manufacturing (USSEC) – 41 participants
- SEC Nigeria Poultry Track (Basic Level) – 25 participants
- Presented Notes and Observations in International Commodity Markets. A weekly set of headline articles of events impacting the international grain and oilseed markets; distributed to faculty, key stakeholders, and an international audience, as well as being posted on the Ag Manager website. Learn more at [https://www.grains.k-state.edu/igp/on-site-training/grain-marketing/](https://www.grains.k-state.edu/igp/on-site-training/grain-marketing/)
- Recap of Weekly U.S. Grain and Oilseed Export Shipment and Sales. A weekly set of analysis and data recapping the recent and year to date export shipment and sales. Distributed internally to IGP and to key stakeholders, and an international audience, as well as being posted on the Ag Manager website.
- KSU Agriculture Today, with Eric Atkinson – Podcast: Prepared and presented the 20 minute podcast covering: “Highlights of Issues Facing the International Grain Trade” reflected in this month’s USDA WASDE International Trade Markets Report
- Attended USSEC Export & Allied Industry International Marketing Dialogue Meeting
- IGP Outlook and Grain Commission Tailgate – Iowa State vs KSU Game
- Attended KSU MAB – Supply Chain Management Webinar
- Guest presenter for AGEC 520 – Market Fundamentals and Futures/Options Trading
- Attended USSEC Market Access Briefing and Discussion, an on-line conversation highlighting industry happenings, concerns, and opportunities organized by the U.S. Soybean Export Council (USSEC)
- Met with Prater Industries for milling equipment donation
- Attended The Edge Collaboration Dedication Ceremony
- North Campus Upgrade Phase Planning meeting with Dean
- Attended Kansas Commodity Tailgate Event
- Met with Buhler in Minneapolis, Minnesota
- Attended Buhler Food Technology Center Open House, Minneapolis Minnesota
- Interviewed by Coffee Talk for AGI to talk about IGP’s activities with USSEC and the Soybean Excellence Centers
- Live Q/A sessions for the SEC Americas Poultry Track Basic Level Group 2 course
- Presented on behalf of the USGC to train the feed regulators of the Colombian government on feed manufacturing
- Presented on behalf of USSEC at the APROBAL webinar on GMPs and Pelleting
- Participated in the USSEC Global Research Committee Meeting
- Traveled to Egypt with USSEC to provide technical assistance to feed mills and participate as speaker in their SEC MENA
- Participated in the USSEC SEC MENA Advisory Committee Meeting
- Presented on behalf of USSEC for in-house training on Quality Control and GMPs for Indonesia
- Participated as speaker and panelist at USSEC’s Feed Formulation Simulation Workshop for the Philippines