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"Kansas Future of Farming & Food" Town Halls Kansans are invited to attend the upcoming "Kansas Future of Farming & Food" Town Halls

5:30pm to 8:00 pm

Emporia Monday, July 8 Bowyer Community Building 2700 W. US Highway 50

Wichita Wednesday, July 10 Studio School 751 George Washington Blvd

REGISTER TO ATTEND

The town halls, hosted by the Kansas Rural Center, will feature a panel of experts on our food system and farming, climate and energy, and rural/urban community needs, and how we come together to address these. Following the panel comments, attendees will have time to respond, ask questions, and share their experiences or opinions about the issues addressed to help identify what is needed to advance opportunities in their communities and/or the region.

Panelists at the Emporia meeting will include Rachel Myslivy, Assistant Director of the Climate and Energy Project; Jeremy Cowan, Assistant Professor of Sustainable Food Production Systems at K-State; and Gail Fuller, Fuller Family Farms of Emporia. Aubrey Streit-Krug, Director of Ecosphere Studies at The Land Institute, Salina, will lead the panel and community discussion.

Panelists at the Wichita meeting will include Rachel Myslivy, Assistant Director of the Climate and Energy Project, Jeremy Cowan, Assistant Professor of Sustainable Food Production Systems at K-State, and Linda Pechin-Long, Graze The Prairie, Holistic Management, from Latham. Stu Shafer, Director, Sustainable Agriculture Program, Johnson County Community College, will lead the panel and community discussion.

A complimentary dinner featuring locally sourced ingredients will be available at both town halls starting at 5:30 pm with the program starting at 6 p.m. Registration is required in order to ensure an accurate count for dinner.

For more information and to register no later than Friday, July 5th visit <u>https://kansasruralcenter.org/2019townhalls.</u> Contact Caryl Hale, KRC Field Coordinator, if you have questions, at chale@kansasruralcenter.org or call 866-579-5469.