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Managing Farming Change and Challenges workshop at 3i Show

AMES, Iowa (August 11, 2017)— The Institute for Rural America announces a new farmer presentations at this year's 3i Show on Friday, October, 13, from 1:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. titled *Managing Farming Change and Challenges*.

Given the increasing economic, farm bill, tax and legal issues farmers face in rural America today, the Institute will address the following issues in the workshop.

- Perspectives on a new Farm Bill
- Tax and legal issues in farming
- Working through times of turbulent change in agriculture



Roger A. McEowen, Kansas Farm Bureau Professor of Agricultural Law and Taxation at Washburn University School of Law in Topeka, Kansas will present on the new Farm Bill, tax and legal issues. The legal environment in agriculture is constantly changing. This presentation will provide a current perspective on farm bill, tax and other legal issues facing farmers in difficult times. Besides a current update, Roger will answer questions.

McEowen is author of *Principles of Agricultural Law*, and recipient of the [American Agricultural Law Association](#) (AALA) Distinguished Service Award.



Charlie Griffin presents *Working Through Times of Turbulent Change in Agriculture*. With real farm cash receipts down 14 percent in 2017 compared to 2015. And 36 percent since 2012. Meanwhile farm debt soars and leverage surges to all-time highs. This presentation will provide suggestions for managing change and challenges that exist today. Charlie will also answer questions.

Charlie Griffin is a Research Assistant Professor in the School for Family Studies and Human Services, College of Human Ecology, at Kansas State University. He began his career assisting with the impact of the 1980's farm crisis. He has continued to support agricultural families as they work together, make decisions together, and nurture their families and farm businesses.

The 63rd Annual 3i SHOW is set for October 12, 13, and 14, 2017. Visit www.3ishow.com.

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