

JUNE 23-24, 2025 | 125th Annual Meeting | Tahoe Blue Event Center

Draft Program Agenda – Exact details subject to potential changes. All sessions will be held on the second floor in the Cobalt/Lapis/Saphire room (Bally's Entrance side of the event center).

Sunday, June 22, 2025	
5 – 6:30 pm	Welcome Reception Tahoe Blue Bar (first floor, Hwy 50 Entrance)
Monday, Ju	ne 23, 2025
7:00 a.m.	Registration, Exhibits and Breakfast Arena floor (Bally's Entrance side)
8:00 a.m.	Welcome - Steve Galbraith, CCOA President, VP Procurement and Risk Management, Saputo
	Dairy's Global Economic Outlook - Mike McCully, President, McCully Consulting
	The Dairy Processing Plant of the Future
	Moderator: John Talbot, CEO, California Milk Advisory Board
	 Peter Ernster, Sr Vice President of Valley Natural Beverages at California Dairies, Inc. Joe Baird, CEO, Rumiano Cheese Company
	Veronique Lagrange, Director, California Dairy Innovation Center
	Gary Germaine, Vice President of Production Operations, Leprino Foods
	Preparing the Workforce of the Future
	 Carmen Licon, PhD, Director, Dairy Products Technology Center, Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo Kaylin Prayitno, Fresno State 2025 Graduate and CCOA Scholarship Recipient
10:00 a.m.	Refreshment Break
10:30 a.m.	Production and Processing Capacity- A Look at CA Dairy's Future
	Moderator: Michael Boccadoro, Executive Director, CCOA and Dairy Cares
	 Mike McCullough, PhD, Professor & Sr. Economist, Cal Poly, SLO & ERA Economics
	 Katie Davey, Executive Director, Dairy Institute of California
	Mike McCully, President, McCully Consulting
	Artificial Intelligence in the Food Processing Sector – Gary Evans, Channel Account Manager, GE Vernova
11:45 a.m.	Networking Lunch + Exhibits Arena floor (Bally's Entrance side)
	Food Safety: The Latest Standards and Solutions
	Moderator: Gary Germaine, Vice President of Production Operations, Leprino Foods
	 Jodeen Meenderink, Senior Director of Quality Assurance, DFA Dairy Brands
	 Eric Hollekim, Sr. VP of Food Safety, Health & Safety & Environmental Affairs, Saputo
	Steve Tienvieri, Sr. Lead Microbiologist, Hydrite
	Update on HPAI - Annette M. Jones, DVM, State Veterinarian, Director of Animal Health & Food
	Safety, California Department of Food & Agriculture
	Dairy Food Trends & Opportunities - Bob Carroll, Incoming CEO, California Milk Advisory Board
3:00 p.m.	Adjourn General Session / Board of Directors Meeting
5 – 6:30 p.m.	President's Reception Tahoe Blue Bar (first floor, Hwy Entrance)



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Tuesday, June 24, 2025

7:00 a.m.	Registration, Exhibits and Breakfast Arena floor (Bally's Entrance side)
8:00 a.m.	CCOA Annual Member Meeting
	GHG Reporting: New Requirements on the Way
	Moderator: Michael Boccadoro, Executive Director, CCOA and Dairy Cares
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	Katie Davey, Executive Director, Dairy Institute of California Signature Alexander Management & Boundaries Institute Contains
	 Eric Hassel, VP, Sustainability Standards, Measurement & Reporting, Innovation Center for U.S. Dairy
	California's Evolving Sustainable Packaging Requirements
	Moderator: Katie Davey, Executive Director, Dairy Institute of California
	 Jordan Fengel, Executive Director, Carton Council of North America Invited- Tetra Pak
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	The Evolution of RNG in Transportation
	Moderator: Darrin Monteiro, Sr. VP of Sustainability & Member Relations, California Dairies, Inc.
	 Justin Loyear, Business Development Manager, Cummins Alternative Technologies
	 Trevor Shannon, Owner, Shannon Bros Trucking Co., Inc.
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10:20 a.m.	Adjourn 2025 Annual Conference
11:30 a.m.	44 th Annual Matchak/ Fear CCOA Golf Invitational Lake Tahoe Golf Course
	Registration at 11:30 a.m.
	Shotgun Start at 12:30 p.m.
1:00 p.m.	Depart for Lake Tahoe Cruise – Meet in Bally's Lobby for Shuttle Bus
7:00 p.m.	Cocktail Hour Cobalt/Lapis room (second floor, Bally's Entrance side)
8:00 p.m.	Famous Golf Awards Dinner + Raffle