90th Annual
Soil Management and Land Valuation Conference
Iowa State University
Benton Auditorium, Scheman Building

Wednesday, May 17, 2017
Next Year’s SMLV Conference: Wednesday, May 16, 2018

8:00 — 8:30 Registration

8:30 — 8:45 Iowa Land Values and Crop Prices – Your Estimates
— Dr. Wendong Zhang, Chair, Conference Planning Committee & Assistant Professor, Economics, ISU

8:45 — 10:00 Agricultural Trade Drama and the Implications for the Agricultural Economy
— Dr. Pat Westhoff, Professor in Agricultural Economics and Director, FAPRI, U Missouri

10:00 — 10:15 Break

10:15 — 11:45 Panel Discussion on Agricultural Financial Conditions in the Farm Downturn
— Panelist: Mr. Mike Hein, Vice President, Liberty Trust and Savings Bank, Durant, Iowa,
— Panelist: Dr. Alan Tubbs, Chairman and CEO, Ohnward Bancshares Inc., Maquoketa, Iowa
— Panelist: Mr. Justin Septer, Vice President, Farm Credit Services of America, Ottumwa, Iowa

11:45 — 12:45 Lunch

12:45 — 1:15 Weather and Agricultural Production: What’s Ahead in 2017
— Dr. Alan Czarnecki, Professor, Meteorology, U of Northern Iowa

1:15 — 1:45 Panel Discussion on SMLV at 90: Historical Focus and Future Directions
— Panelist: Dr. Mike Duffy, Professor Emeritus, Economics, ISU
— Panelist: Mr. Gary Thien, Homestead Capital LLC, Council Bluffs, Iowa
— Panelist: Mr. Darrell Limkeman, Mid States Farm Management Company, Ottumwa, Iowa

1:45 — 2:00 Break

2:00 — 3:00 Farm Downturn, Population Change and the Impacts on Rural Communities
— Mr. Dave Swenson, Associate Scientist, Economics, ISU

3:00 — 4:00 Legal Update: Des Moines Water Works, Mergers, and Anti-Trust Regulations
— Ms. Kristine Tidgren, Assistant Director, Center for Agricultural Law and Taxation, ISU

4:00 — 4:15 Adjourn (next year’s conference: Wednesday May 16th, 2018)
— Dr. Wendong Zhang, Assistant Professor, Economics, ISU