Water Summit Agenda

Day 1 – Tuesday, February 27, 2018

8:30 am  Registration & Refreshments

9:00 am  Welcome & Introductions
  Dr. Betsy Bihn, Director, Produce Safety Alliance

9:45 am  FDA Welcome
  Dr. Stephen Ostroff, Deputy Commissioner for Foods & Veterinary Medicine, FDA

10:00 am  Goals and Objectives for the Summit
  Dr. Betsy Bihn and Ms. Gretchen Wall, Coordinator, Produce Safety Alliance

Objectives:
1. Discuss the diverse ways that water is being used in farms across the country, and challenges/concerns related to current standards for water quality and testing.

2. Discuss and develop minimum standards, practices, or approaches to identified challenges and concerns based on existing PSR requirements that control hazards. These should be practical for safe production of fruits and vegetables.

3. Recommend actionable next steps related to the standards, practices or approaches that address the identified challenges and concerns, including 1) scientific basis for standards, practices, or approaches, 2) implementation support, including recommended partnerships and timelines, and 3) process to review or validate that adequate scientific data or information has been collected to support use of minimum standards, practices, or approaches within the requirements of the Produce Safety Rule.

10:30 am  General Session Talk 1: FSMA Produce Safety Rule (PSR) Standards for Agricultural Water: Overview of Requirements and Status of the Regulation
  Dr. Samir Assar, Ms. Chelsea Davidson, Ms. Kruti Ravaliya
  FDA, Division of Produce Safety

11:15 am  Break

11:30 am  Breakout Session 1: Identify concerns and challenges to meeting current PSR production water standards including pending proposals and announcements

12:10 pm  Lunch: Hotel, 18th Floor Restaurant

1:20 pm  Breakout Session 1: Report Out

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2:20 pm  General Session Talk 2: Quantifying Risks and Prioritizing Hazards - Risk Assessment Perspectives, Models, and Tools  
Mr. Jeff Soller, Soller Environmental, LLC, Berkeley, CA

2:50 pm  Breakout Session 2: Identify specific hazards to produce safety related to water use in your geographic region, type of operation, or commodity type and how these hazards translate into food safety risks. Participants should include ideas for how to control identified risks.

3:30 pm  Break

3:45 pm  Breakout Session 2: Report Out

4:45 pm  Debrief of Today’s Key Learnings  
Led by PSA Team with FDA Panel

5:30 pm  End Day 1 of Water Summit

5:45 pm  Social at Hotel, 16th Floor Reception Area

7:00 pm  Dinner on your own in Greater Cincinnati (list of options provided)

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Day 2 – Wednesday, February 28, 2018

8:30 am    Sign In & Refreshments

9:00 am    Reflections from Day 1  
Dr. Betsy Bihn, Director, Produce Safety Alliance

9:45 am    General Session Talk 3: The Microbial Fecal Indicator Paradigm: Tools in the Tool Box  
Dr. Kevin Oshima, USEPA Office of Research & Development, Cincinnati, OH

10:15 am   Break

10:30 am    General Session Talk 4: Sanitary Surveys and Their Value for Hazard Identification  
Dr. John Griffith, S. California Coastal Water Research Project, Costa Mesa, CA

11:00 am    General Session Talk 5: Prevention and Mitigation: On-site Treatment, In-Field Die-Off, and Other Hazard Reduction Strategies  
Dr. Channah Rock, University of Arizona, Maricopa, AZ

11:30 am    Breakout Session 3: Processes or management options that are supported by 1) science; 2) practical considerations to control hazards that were identified in Breakout Session 2 by region, type of operation, or commodity type and; 3) relationship or applicability to currently proposed practices and regulatory framework

12:10 pm    Lunch: Hotel, 18th Floor Restaurant

1:20 pm    Breakout Session 3: Report Out

2:20 pm    Group Session Discussion 1: Practical approaches and practices to control risks on the farm that are workable for growers and meet FDA public health goals  
Discussion led by PSA Team

3:15 pm    Break

3:30 pm    Group Session Discussion 2: What FDA learned from this Water Summit including any impacts to policy and what other information FDA needs from the group to develop a path forward  
Discussion led by FDA

4:15 pm    Debrief of Water Summit Experience and Action Items for Moving Forward  
Discussion led by PSA Team

4:45 pm    Conclusion of Water Summit

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