

## 2026 Annual Meeting Schedule

### Wednesday, February 4, 2026

- 5:30 pm – 6:00 pm      **Emerging Leaders Program Alumni Welcome Reception**
- 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm      **Welcome Reception & Registration Pickup**

### Thursday, February 5, 2026

- 7:30 am – 8:30 am      **Breakfast**
- 9:30 am      **Spouse/Guest Event**
- 8:30 am – 12:00 pm      **General Session**
- 8:30 am – 8:40 am      Welcome from CIRB's Chair, Lindsey Rinkenberger
- 8:40 am – 8:55 am      Meeting Overview from CIRB's Executive Vice President, Michael Torrey
- 8:55 am – 9:55 am      **Session 1: Political Update**  
Jim Wiesemeyer | Pro Farmer
- 9:55 am – 10:25 am      **Session 2: Legal Update**  
Kurt Henke, CIRB Counsel | Henke-Bufkin
- 10:25 am – 10:50 am      Break
- 10:50 am – 11:50 am      **Session 3: AI in Agriculture**  
Willie Vogt, Ag Technology Observer
- 11:50 am – 11:55 am      Closing Remarks
- 12:00 pm      Meeting Adjourns
- 2:00 pm – 4:00 pm      **CIRB Board of Directors Meeting**
- 5:00 pm – 6:00 pm      **Emerging Leaders Program Networking Reception**

### Friday, February 6, 2026

- 7:30 am – 8:30 am      **Breakfast**
- 8:30 am – 12:00 pm      **General Session**
- 8:30 am – 8:35 am      Welcome from CIRB Chair, Lindsey Rinkenberger
- 8:35 am – 9:35 am      **Session 4: Navigating Weather Extremes & The Growing Season Ahead**  
Matthew Reardon, Atmospheric Scientist | Nutrien Ag Solutions

	9:35 am – 10:25 am	<b>Session 5: RMA Update</b>
	10:30 am – 10:45 am	Break
	10:45 am – 11:45 am	<b>Session 6: Farm Economy Update</b> Dr. Shawn Arita, Associate Director   Agriculture Risk Policy Center at North Dakota State University (Invited)
	11:45 am – 11:55 am	CIRB Awards Presentation <i>Recipient: Kurt Henke</i>
	11:55 am – 12:00 pm	Closing Remarks
12:00 pm		Meeting Adjourns
12:30 pm – 5:30 pm		Golf Tournament (Shotgun start)
6:00 pm – 7:30 pm		Closing Reception