

Public Schedule
Secretary Thomas J. Vilsack
United States Department of Agriculture

Week of September 16, 2024

Tuesday, September 17, 2024

7:35pm **Remarks at Friends of the National Arboretum (FONA) 28th Annual Dinner Under the Stars**

Thursday, September 19, 2024

1:00pm **Press Call Announcing USDA Meat and Poultry Expansion Program (MPPEP) funding**

Friday, September 20, 2024

11:30am **In-Person Cabinet Meeting with POTUS**

Week of September 9, 2024

Monday, September 9, 2024

9:00am **Remarks and Q&A with National Farmers Union President, Rob Larew at the National Farmers Union Fly-In**

11:30am **Instagram Live with Secretary Deb Haaland, DOI**

Tuesday, September 10, 2024

9:00am **Remarks and Q&A with Growth Energy President, Emily Skor, at Growth Energy Biofuels Summit**

1:00pm **Hybrid Remarks and Collaborative Wildfire Risk Reduction Program Announcement with U.S. Forest Service Chief, Randy Moore, at the U.S. Forest Service Fire Desk**

1:35pm **Virtual Press Gaggle with Chief Randy Moore and Chief Executive Brian Ferebee at the U.S. Forest Service Fire Desk**

Wednesday, September 11, 2024

11:50am **Oral Testimony and Q&A at the Joint Hearing for House Agriculture**

Subcommittee on Nutrition, Foreign Agriculture, and Horticulture and House Appropriations Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration and Related Agencies

Thursday, September 12, 2024

- 9:30am PT** **Remarks and Q&A at Wildfire & Drought Roundtable at Salt River Project in Tempe, AZ**
- 11:15am PT** **Press Gaggle with at Salt River Project in Tempe, AZ**
- 3:15pm PT** **Remarks and Q&A at Investing in Rural America Town Hall at Trico Electric Cooperative, Inc. In Marana, AZ**
- 5:00pm PT** **Press Gaggle at Trico Electric Cooperative, Inc. In Marana, AZ**

Week of September 2, 2024

Wednesday, September 4, 2024

- 12:00pm** **Embargoed Press Call with White House Deputy Chief of Staff Natalie Quillian Previewing POTUS' Trip to Wisconsin**

Thursday, September 5, 2024

- 2:05pm CT** **Greet & Briefing on Vernon Electric Co-Op with POTUS at Vernon Electric Cooperative in Westby, WI**
- 3:00pm CT** **Remarks at Investing in America Event Announcing USDA's Empowering Rural America (New ERA) funding with POTUS at Vernon Electric Cooperative in Westby, WI**
- 3:40pm CT** **Press Gaggle at Vernon Electric Cooperative in Westby, WI**

Friday, September 6, 2024

- 11:40am** **Tour with Secretary Miguel Cardona at Pittsburgh Faison K-5 School in Pittsburgh, PA**
- 12:00pm** **Roundtable Discussion with Secretary Miguel Cardona at Pittsburgh Faison K-5 School in Pittsburgh, PA**
- 1:00pm** **Press Gaggle with Secretary Miguel Cardona at Pittsburgh Faison K-5 School in Pittsburgh, PA**

Week of August 26, 2024

Tuesday, August 27, 2024

- 3:00pm Phone Interview with Ben Brasch, WaPo
- 3:45pm Phone Interview with Claire Carlson, Daily Yonder
- 5:45pm Phone Interview with Marcia Brown , Politico

Wednesday, August 28, 2024

- 12:00pm CT Remarks and Moderated Q&A at Farm Progress Show at the Wallaces Farmer Hospitality Tent in Boone, IA
- 12:45pm CT Press Gaggle at Farm Progress Show in Boone, IA

Thursday, August 29, 2024

- 9:45am CT Remarks and Q&A at Investing in America Town Hall at South Slope Cooperative Communications in North Liberty, IA
- 11:35am CT Press Gaggle at South Slope Cooperative Communications in North Liberty, IA

Week of August 19, 2024

Monday, August 19, 2024

- 12:00pm CT Remarks and Q&A at an USDA Investing in America Townhall with Deputy Secretary Torres Small at the Central Standard Craffhouse & Kitchen & Craft Distillery in Milwaukee, WI
- 2:15pm CT Press Gaggle with Deputy Secretary Torres Small at the Central Standard Craffhouse & Kitchen & Craft Distillery in Milwaukee, WI

Week of August 12, 2024

Thursday, August 15, 2024

- 9:00am CT Remarks & Moderated Q&A at American Coalition for Ethanol (ACE) Annual Conference in Omaha, NE
- 9:45am CT Press Gaggle at American Coalition for Ethanol (ACE) Annual Conference in Omaha, NE

10:30am CT On-Camera Interview with **TBC Reporter** at KETV

Friday, August 16, 2024

9:30am CT Podium Remarks and Roundtable at Bioeconomy Roundtable with Sen. Amy Klobuchar (D-MN), Sen. Tina Smith (D-MN), Rep. Betty McCollum (D-MN-04) and Rep. Angie Craig (D-MN-02), and Commissioner Thom Peterson at the University of Minnesota (UMN) in Minneapolis, MN

11:20am CT Press Gaggle with Sen. Amy Klobuchar (D-MN), Sen. Tina Smith (D-MN), Rep. Betty McCollum (D-MN-04), Rep. Angie Craig (D-MN-02), and Commissioner Thom Peterson at the University of Minnesota (UMN) in Minneapolis, MN

12:15pm Visit to the R&R Smith – The Corner Store with Sen. Amy Klobuchar (D-MN), Sen. Tina Smith (D-MN), Rep. Angie Craig (D-MN-02), and Commissioner Thom Peterson in Inver Grove Heights, MN

Week of August 5, 2024

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Week of July 29, 2024

Wednesday, July 31, 2024

10:30am Press Call on USDA Discrimination Financial Assistance Program Announcement with Major Steve Benjamin, Director of the White House Office of Public Engagement

1:30pm Remarks and Q&A at White House Press Briefing

Thursday, August 1, 2024

11:30am Phone Interview with Suman Naishadham, Associated Press

11:45am On-Camera Interview with Ivonne Olivas, KKCO11 News

12:00pm On-Camera Press Interview with Alexa Liacko, Scripps

Week of July 22, 2024

Tuesday, July 23, 2024

3:15pm **Veteran Food Security Summit Best Chef Competition with Secretary Denis McDonough hosted by U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs**

4:15pm **Press Gaggle at Veteran Food Security Summit Best Chef Competition**

Thursday, July 25, 2024

2:00pm **Remarks and Q&A at Investing in America Town Hall at the University of Maine in Orono, ME**

3:50pm **Press Gaggle at the University of Maine in Orono, ME**

Friday, July 26, 2024

10:05am **Arrive & Greet with Brunswick Farmers' Market Host Committee in Brunswick, ME**

10:20am **Press Conference at Brunswick Farmers' Market in Brunswick, ME**

11:40am **Visit to Brunswick Farmers' Market in Brunswick, ME**

Week of July 15, 2024

Friday, July 19, 2024

9:00am **Interview with Amanda Brozana, National Grange**

12:20pm **Remarks & Fireside Chat at Rodale Institute Field Day Lunch Session in Philadelphia, PA**

1:50pm **Press Gaggle at Rodale Institute in Philadelphia, PA**

3:45pm **Phone Interview with Dave Williams, PA Farm Country Radio Network**

Thursday, July 18, 2024

9:50am **Remarks & Fireside Chat at Equity Commission Regional Convening #5 with Ali Zaidi, Assistant to the President and White House National Climate Advisor at Sankofa Community Farm at Bartram's Garden in Philadelphia, PA**

11:05am **Press Gaggle at Sankofa Community Farm at Bartram's Garden in Philadelphia, PA**

2:30pm **Remarks & Discussion at Investing in America Roundtable with Representative Chrissy Houlahan (D-PA-06) at Penn State Berks in Reading,**

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4:15pm

Press Gaggle at Penn State Berks in Reading, PA