

Agenda - October 23, 2008 - Retreat

NoRTEC Retreat
October 23-24, 2008
Mt. Shasta Resort
1000 Siskiyou Lake Blvd
Mt. Shasta, California

DAY 1
Thursday, October 23, 2008

7:30 - 9:00 am Catered Breakfast

9:00 - 11:30 am NoRTEC WIB and Governing Board Meeting
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12:00 - 1:00 pm Catered Lunch

1:00 - 1:30 pm Brief Orientation - Terri

1:30 - 2:30 pm The Green Economy - Ben Higgins

Mr. Higgins is the USDA Rural Development State Director (a Presidential appointment). He will discuss USDA's interest in economic development, workforce development and the green economy, including the USDA priorities for small business and how green energy and jobs will be promoted in the future.

2:30 - 2:45 pm Break

3:45 - 4:30 pm Youth Entrepreneurs - Juan Casimiro

Mr. Casimiro is President of Insight, whose mission is to develop, grow and inspire youth entrepreneurs to be effective change agents for a sustainable world. Mr. Casimiro will highlight the Business Entrepreneur camp that was held in August in Tehama County, noting successes, opportunities and his insight into Youth Entrepreneurship.

6:00 - 7:30 pm Catered Dinner

DAY 2

Friday, October 24, 2008

7:30 - 9:00 am Catered Breakfast

9:00 - 11:30 am Business Panel - Audrey Taylor

Ms. Taylor is President/CEO of Chabin Concepts, a National Economic Development Corporation. Ms. Taylor will facilitate an Employer Focus Group composed of a cross-section of businesses from Siskiyou County. The process will help the service providers identify obstacles to business retention and expansion (with an emphasis on the need for talent development), and local employers tap into a network of support for their retention and expansion goals.

Expected:

Marsha Pitkin, Northern Credit Services
Morris Eagleman, Mercy Medical Center
David Gray, Allstate Enterprises
Robert Baldwin, Dorris Lumber & Moulding
Vince Renig, Northland Cable
Karen Cunningham, Shasta Forest Products
Bill Eddy or Craig Hill, Nor Cal Products

 Potential Questions / Topic Areas for Employer Discussion

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