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Michigan Agriculture Environmental Assurance Program
Phase I Educational Session – March 26
Boardman River Nature Center

10:00 Welcome and Program Review Lew Coulter, Executive Director / GTCD

10:05 MAEAP Framework Josh Appleby, MAEAP Verification Specialist
Michigan Department of Agriculture

10:25 Cropping System Requirements Dan Busby, Groundwater Program / GTCD

10:45 MDA Update John Hill, Regional Supervisor / Michigan Department of Agriculture

11:05 2008 Farm Bill Programs Jason Kimbrough, District Conservationist
USDA/Natural Resources Conservation Service

11:30 Cost-Effective Containment Randy Snyder, Environmental Specialist / North American Lining Svcs

11:40 Water Sampling and Testing William Siegmund, Managing Director / Pure Water Works

11:50 MAEAP Testimonial Triston Cole, Cole Family Farms
Dean Johnson, Johnson Farms

11:55 Closing Statements and Credits / Lew Coulter

12:00 LUNCH

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Good Agricultural Practices (GAP)
How to prepare for a Food Safety Audit
Friday, March 26
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12:00 LUNCH

12:45 Welcome to the Nature Center Lew Coulter, Executive Director / GTCD

1:15 Welcome and Program Review J. Bob Serrine, Extension Director / Leelanau County MSU Extension

1:30 GAP 101 – Review of Notebook Colleen M. Bess, Food Safety Specialist
Michigan Dept. of Agriculture, PPPM Division

2:15 Food Safety Begins on the Farm Dan Busby, Groundwater Program / GTCD

3:00 Break

3:10 Audit Verification Checklist Colleen M. Bess, Food Safety Specialist
Michigan Dept. of Agriculture, PPPM Division

3:30 Farm and Consultant Panel Steve Bardenhagen, Bardenhagen Berries
Dean Johnson, Johnson Farms
Karen Bargy, Agricultural Compliance Solutions
Isaiah Wunsch, Wunsch Farms

4:00 Wrap –up and Review J. Bob Serrine, Extension Director / Leelanau County MSU Extension

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