

Congress of the United States
U.S. House of Representatives
Committee on Small Business
2361 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515-6515

NOTICE OF HEARING

July 25, 2019

10:00 A.M., 2360 Rayburn House Office Building

TO: Members, Subcommittee on Rural Development, Agriculture, Trade, and Entrepreneurship

FROM: Abby Finkenauer, Chairwoman

DATE: Thursday, July 18, 2019

The Committee on Small Business Subcommittee on Rural Development, Agriculture, Trade, and Entrepreneurship will meet for a hearing titled, “Supporting the Next Generation of Agricultural Businesses.” The hearing is scheduled to begin at **10:00 A.M. on Thursday, July 25, 2019 in Room 2360 of the Rayburn House Office Building.**

A focus of the subcommittee is to increase the economic development of rural areas of the country. The hearing will discuss the challenges the nation’s younger generation faces in rural areas, particularly in the agricultural industry. America’s farmers are getting older, with the average age of 58 years old. As older farmers look to retire or transition away from the business of farming, new farmers are presented with opportunities and difficult challenges. This hearing is designed to enable Members to have a dialogue about the problems and the potential solutions within the rural agricultural industry as it pertains to beginning farmers and younger entrepreneurs.

A staff briefing will be held at 2:00 P.M. on Monday, July 22, 2019 in Room 2360 of the Rayburn House Office Building.

If you or your staff have questions, please contact Michael Stein, Professional Staff Member for the Committee, at 202-225-4038.