



**AES Research Center Conference Agenda
January 8–10, 2019**

Tuesday January 8, 2019

Iris and Michael Smith Alumni Center – 701 W. Pitkin

1:00 – 1:30	Alan Rudolph – <i>Vice President for Research</i>	Welcome
1:30 – 2:00	Ajay Menon and Gene Kelly – <i>Dean and Deputy Director</i>	Welcome New Employee Introductions
2:00 – 2:50	Russ Schumacher – <i>Colorado State Climatologist</i>	Keynote
2:50 – 3:00	Break	
3:00 – 4:00	Extension Panel: Kathay Rennels , Moderator – <i>Associate Vice President</i> Perry Cabot – <i>Research and Extension Leader</i> Adrian Card – <i>Extension Agent</i> CJ Mucklow – <i>Extension Western Director</i> Ashley Stokes – <i>Assistant Vice Pres. for Extension</i>	Panel Discussion: AES ~ Extension Communications & Culture
4:00 – 5:00	Chris Staten and Ed Peyronnin – <i>Marketing/Communications Coordinator and Director of Planning and Operations</i>	AES Communications with Local Communities and Website Updates
5:15 – 6:30	New Belgium Brewery Happy Hour 500 Linden Street	

Wednesday January 9, 2019

CoBank Center for Ag. Education – 4492 E. County Road 56

7:30 – 8:00	CSU Photography	Portraits and Group Photo
8:00 – 10:00	Michele Newhard - <i>Training Specialist</i>	Understanding Generation Z
8:00 – 9:00	Gene Kelly and Troy Bauder	Strategic Plan Review
9:00 – 9:30	Mary Stromberger – <i>Dean of Graduate School</i>	Graduate Student Opportunities
9:30 – 10:00	Reagan Waskom – <i>Director, CO Water Institute</i>	Irrigation Consortium National Western Center
10:00 – 10:15	Break	

10:15 – 10:45	Amanda McQuade – <i>Community Food Programs Coordinator</i>	Community Alliance Opportunities at Centers
10:45 – 12:00	Industry Panel: Jan Leach – Moderator, <i>Associate Dean for Research</i> Lanny Huston – <i>Agronomist, Nutrien</i> Mike Otto – <i>Senior Agriculturist, Western Sugar</i> Laura Pottorff – <i>Program Coordinator, CDA</i> Mark Sponsler – <i>CEO, Colorado Corn</i>	Industry Relevant Research
12:00 – 1:00	Lunch	
1:00 – 3:00	Michele Newhard - <i>Training Specialist</i>	Subtleties of Communication
1:00 – 2:00	Keith Paustian and Matt Stermer <i>Professor and Extension Specialist</i>	COMET–Farm
2:00 – 3:00	Research Center Updates	
3:00 – 5:00	Thia Walker <i>Extension Specialist, Pesticide Safety Education</i>	Worker Protection Safety (WPS) Update and Pesticide Applicator Training, R&D
5:30 – 8:00	Rio Grande Winter Celebration 149 W. Mountain Avenue	

Thursday January 10, 2019
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8:00 – 9:00	Tour of Horticulture Center 1707 Centre Ave	
9:00 – 10:00	Todd Gaines and Karl Ravet <i>Asst. Professor & Research Scientist</i>	Wheat and Weed Genomics
10:00 – 11:00	Microbiome Panel: Gene Kelly , Moderator Jessica Metcalf – <i>Associate Professor</i> Pankaj Trivedi – <i>Assistant Professor</i> Kelly Wrighton – <i>Assistant Professor</i>	Microbiome Panel
11:00 – 12:00	Jay Ham – <i>Professor</i>	Internet of Things of Sensing Technology
12:00 – 12:15	Gene Kelly	Wrap Up
12:15 – 1:30	LUNCH (<i>provided</i>)	