

Canadian Agri-Food Exporters Elect New Executive and Board of Directors

Michael Harvey, Executive Director of the Canadian Agri-Food Trade Alliance (CAFTA) today issued the following statement regarding CAFTA's Annual General Meeting (AGM) in Ottawa.

Ottawa, Ontario –October 3, 2023— "CAFTA Members met today to choose its leadership for the years ahead. The last year has highlighted the importance of having agri-food producers and exporters at the center of policy decisions."

The CAFTA Board is stronger than ever with the recent addition of two new members: CropLife Canada and Soy Canada. Today, the CAFTA Board elected the following officers for the 2023-2025 session.

- Greg Northey, President
- Dave Carey, Vice-President
- Mark Walker, Treasurer

The CAFTA Board for the 2023-2024 year was elected as follows:

- Dan Darling, Canadian Cattle Association
- Greg Northey, Pulse Canada
- Dave Carey, Canadian Canola Growers Association
- Chris Davidson, Canola Council of Canada
- Mark Walker, Cereals Canada
- Stephen Heckbert, Canadian Pork Council
- Kyle Larkin, Grain Growers of Canada
- Carla Ventin, Food, Health and Consumer Products of Canada
- Janice Tranberg, National Cattle Feeders' Association
- Emilie Bergeron, CropLife Canada
- Brian Innes, Soy Canada
- Sandra Marsden, Canadian Sugar Institute

Greg Northey, incoming President, stated "I am honoured to have been chosen President by CAFTA Board members. CAFTA will continue to represent farmers, producers and agri-food exporters and advocate against protectionist and non-science-based decision-making.

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What is CAFTA?

CAFTA is a coalition of national organizations that support a more open and fair international trading environment for agriculture and agri-food. Representing the 90% of farmers who depend on trade and ranchers, producers, processors, and agri-food exporters who want to grow the economy through better access to international markets. This includes the beef, pork, meat, grains, cereals, pulses, soybeans, canola as well as the sugar, malt, and processed food industries. The sectors CAFTA represents support over a million jobs in urban and rural communities across Canada.