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Canada's Farm Show Features Hands-on Farm Transition Workshop

Regina, Sask., January 10, 2025 – Canada's Farm Show (CFS), Regina, SK, Presented by Viterra offers new programming to help farm families start crucial conversations about farm transition planning.

Farm Management Canada's Bridging the Gap is an interactive workshop that invites farm families to come together and make meaningful progress on their farm transition planning. Industry experts will lead participants through challenging topics like understanding and overcoming transition resistance, tax planning, structuring a business to support retirement, treating farming and non-farming kids fairly, and getting everyone to the table to have these important conversations.

"Heading into a new growing season, farmers have a lot on their minds," says **Nick Oakley, Business Development Lead at Farm Management Canada**. "Not knowing how to approach farm transition is just one more thing to worry about. Parents often have one vision for the future, while their children have another. Without practical tools and guidance, families struggle to communicate effectively, which leads to tension and trying to ignore the issues."

Only 12 per cent of Canadian farmers have a transition plan, and a further 13 per cent are working on it.

"With increasing land prices, farm values are in the millions—or even tens of millions—of dollars," Oakley adds. "What is fair isn't always equal, and what is equal isn't always fair. Bridging the Gap gives families practice navigating the complexities of farm transition. Participants leave with a take-home workbook and valuable tools to keep the momentum going when they get home."

The workshop is led by experts in accounting, finance and communication. It includes interactive sessions on farm transition readiness, planning and working effectively with a transition team. Farm families will engage in group discussions, ask questions and share insights.

“Families from farms of all sizes and types are welcome,” adds Oakley. “This workshop is about equipping families with resources to protect their legacy and secure the long-term sustainability of their operations.”

Bridging the Gap is made possible through partnerships with MNP, AFSC, FCC, Ritchie Bros., and RBC. It is funded in part by Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada under the Sustainable Canadian Agricultural Partnership’s AgriCompetitiveness Program.

Canada’s Farm Show is proud to host Bridging the Gap, contributing to the ongoing success and resilience of Canadian agriculture.

The workshop will take place on March 17, 2025 in the Queensbury Convention Centre, adjacent to the Viterra International Trade Centre. Registration for the Bridging the Gap workshop includes complimentary admission to Canada’s Farm Show March 18 - 20, 2025. For more information and to register, visit [Education | Canada's Farm Show Regina, SK Presented by Viterra](#)

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About Canada’s Farm Show, Regina, SK

Canada’s Farm Show (CFS), Regina, SK, Presented by Viterra, offers farmers, exhibitors and partners an engaging event to help them gear up for the upcoming seeding and growing season. The show features hands-on learning opportunities, a vast tradeshow, and entertainment. Based on feedback from long-serving partners and guests, the show has moved from June to March, perfectly timed to energize farmers and the agricultural community as we prepare to return to the field. **Grow Starts Here, March 18 - 20, 2025. www.canadasfarmshowreginask.ca**

Media Accreditation:

Media is invited to apply for accreditation to attend the show and have access to interviews, speakers, and key show attendees. You will have full access to the show and a dedicated media room. Please send your requests to Tim Day, including any on-site requirements by March 4, 2025. Passes are limited.

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