

## The Charge to the Sub-Committees

The broad task of the sub-committees is to refine the concerns for the Wisconsin dairy industry that were identified by the full Task Force (TF2.0) into a codified set of workable issues and possible solutions.

Sub-Committee Task #1: Review issues identified by the full TF2.0 and refine those into as many carefully worded, separate issues as necessary. I.e., write a sentence or paragraph for each issue, not just a bullet point.

An initial name was given to each sub-committee which tried to capture the general theme of the issues. The sub-committee should also consider word crafting the identifying name which describes their area of work after the issues are refined.

Sub-Committee Task #2: Consider the working name of the committee. Does it adequately capture the refined issues you are addressing? Would you like to rename the committee to better capture your task?

The issues identified by the full TF2.0 committee at the initial meeting were used to suggest a resource person(s) for each sub-committee. In some cases, the breadth of the issues may be more than can be covered by the identified resource. However, we would like you to begin to think with that person(s) more carefully about the issues and possible solutions to your refined statements of the problems.

Sub-Committee Task #3: Work with the resource person(s) in your sub-committee to consider possible solutions to each of the issues identified. Note: there may be more than a single solution to an issue.

Sub-Committee Task #4: For each proposed solution, can you classify the solution as being in the sphere of an individual business; requiring state or regional organization level support; requiring state policy or dollar support; requiring federal policy or dollar support.

For example, if price volatility is the issue, adoption of MPP-Dairy may be an individual producer solution. Education about risk management programs may be a state organization solution utilizing the UW System. Fundamentally changing the MPP program may have to employ the resources of a national organization like NMPF and ultimately Congress.

Understanding this hierarchy helps us identify what is inside our control and what we may only be able to influence in terms of a dialog beyond the state borders.

Does the sub-committee need to meet again? If the issues were too many or too complex to fully address in the first meeting, please access your calendars to find the next meeting date before you adjourn. This is more efficient than multiple online polls. If you anticipate that more than one additional meeting will be needed, please claim those dates on your calendars as well. Also, if additional resource people need to be brought in to address other issues, please ask for those people and/or suggest the resource names that you need for the next meeting(s).

Ultimately, when the sub-committee feels as though they have a finished product of well-crafted issue statement(s) and proposed solutions, the sub-committee chair will present them to the full TF2.0 at a future meeting where a vote will be recorded for the support, opposition or abstention of all committee members.

Neil Kline, from DATCP, will attend all sub-committee meetings to help with note-taking and meeting organization. Like the full TF2.0 meetings, these sub-committees are also subject to the state open meeting law.

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