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Agricultural producers and Safety industry determine direction of farm safety.

CASA Council members elect new board, learn and provide feedback.

The Canadian Agricultural Safety Association (CASA) held its Professional development conference and Annual General Meeting November 5 and 6 in Halifax, Nova Scotia. The newly formed CASA Council appointed new board members and provided input into the directions that CASA should look toward in the future.

“The CASA Board revised its structure in order to have strong representation from across the country with a balance of agricultural producers, industries, academia and government.” said Glen G. Blahey, Chair of the Board.

“I am confident that my role as a CASA Council member will allow me to bring forward ideas and promote agricultural safety within my organization” said Nicole McLaughlin, a representative from CESAB, New Brunswick. “Working with agricultural producers, understanding the financial and human resource constraints is of utmost importance” said Grace MacGregor, representing Wild Rose Agricultural Producers of Alberta. “It is imperative that Agricultural safety delivery agencies and researchers understand the reality of agriculture and include producers.”

Following the theme of “Manage your risk” 56 participants from across Canada were shown techniques in managing risks related to farm safety. Conference participants had an advance look at materials for the Canadian Agricultural Safety week to be launched March 8-14, 2006, visited a dairy farm and took in risk management exercises that could be used within their organization.

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Canadian Agricultural Safety Association is a non-profit organization funded through Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada's Renewal chapter. Our mission is to have Canadian agriculture free of workplace injuries and illnesses.

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