

## **24th Annual Boulder County Ecosystem Symposium** **“Sustainable Agricultural—Food for Thought”**

*8:30- 9:00 Registration*

- 9:00 – 9:05 Welcome and Announcements  
Michael Delaney, BCNA
- 9:05 - 9:35 A Brief History of Agriculture in Boulder County: How Snow, Gravity and Ingenuity Proved the Naysayers Wrong . . . But for How Long?  
David Bell, City of Longmont
- 9:35 - 10:05 Striving to Maintain and Enhance Biodiversity on Boulder Open Space’s Agricultural Landscapes  
Heather Swanson, Boulder Open Space and Mountain Parks
- 10:05 - 10:35 Boulder County Bees: an Overview of Diversity and Life Histories  
Virginia Scott, University of Colorado

*10:35 - 11:15 Break*

- 11:15 - 11:45 The Habitat Value of Ditches  
Erick Carlson, Colorado State University

*11:45 - 1:00 Complimentary Lunch*

- 1:00 - 1:30 Water Challenges: The Pressures of Providing a Reliable Water Supply for Differing Agricultural Markets  
Sean Cronin, St. Vrain and Left Hand Water Conservation District
- 1:30 – 2:00 Agricultural Greenhouse Gas Production and the Web of Population in the U.S. Great Plains  
Myron Gutmann, University of Colorado, Boulder
- 2:00 - 2:30 Conservation on Private Lands: Mountain Plover as a Model for Land Stewardship  
Angela M. Dwyer, Bird Conservancy of the Rockies

Closing Remarks by Michael Delaney