



Summit Agenda
December 9, 2013
East Kentucky Expo Center

- 8:00 **REGISTRATION AND NETWORKING**
Morning beverages and pastries will be served
- 9:00 **OPENING GENERAL SESSION: SHAPING OUR APPALACHIAN REGION**
- WELCOME & CONFERENCE CHARGE**
Governor of Kentucky Steve Beshear
United States Congressman Hal Rogers
Speaker of the House Greg Stumbo
President of the Senate Robert Stivers
- 9:30 **GIVING VOICE TO APPALACHIAN KENTUCKY’S FUTURE**
Panel 1: Youth Leading the Way
Panel 2: Emerging Regional Innovation
- 10:30 **FRAMING THE REGIONAL CHALLENGE AND OPPORTUNITY**
Conference Moderator Chuck Fluharty, President, Rural Policy Research Institute
- 11:00 **INNOVATION SUCCESS IN ANOTHER MINING REGION**
Joe and Tony Sertich, Iron Range Resources & Rehabilitation Board, Minnesota
- 11:45 **DIRECTIONS FOR THE AFTERNOON**
BREAK FOR BOX LUNCH—MOVE TO 1 P.M. BREAKOUT AFTER EATING
- 1:00 **BREAKOUT “REGIONAL OPPORTUNITY” DISCUSSIONS**
1. Job Creation & Retention
2. Entrepreneurship & Innovation
3. Infrastructure
4. Public & Private Investment
5. Tourism (Includes Natural Resources, Culture & Arts, Community & Regional Foods)
6. Regional Collaboration & Identity
7. Leadership Development & Youth Engagement
8. Lifelong Learning
9. Health/Biotechnology/Human Services
- 3:00 **AFTERNOON BREAK**
- 3:15 **AFTERNOON GENERAL SESSION**
- REPORTS FROM “OPPORTUNITY” DISCUSSIONS**

- 4:00 **LEGISLATIVE PANEL DISCUSSION/REFLECTIONS**
Governor of Kentucky Steve Beshear
United States Congressman Hal Rogers
Regional Legislators
- 4:40 **COMMITMENTS TO ONE ANOTHER AND TO OUR REGION**
Governor of Kentucky Steve Beshear
United States Congressman Hal Rogers
SOAR Planning Committee
Guests
- 5:00 **SUMMIT CONCLUDES/SAFE TRAVELS HOME**