



**Nova Scotia Farm Land Trust Society: Critical Ground**  
**September 11, 2025**  
**Old Orchard Inn, Greenwich, NS**

**Agenda**

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| 9:45 AM  | Coffee/Registration   |
| 10:00 AM | Welcome – NS Farm Land Trust Chair, Brian Newcombe  |
| 10:05 AM | The Honourable Senator Robert Black, P. Ag. (Hon) – Critical Ground: <i>Why Soil is Essential to Canada's Economic, Environmental, Human, and Social Health</i> |
| 10:50 AM | Question & Answer Period  |
| 11:00 AM | Brian Newcombe – Cornwallis Farms Ltd.: <i>Building Soil Health and Resilience to Combat Drought and Extreme Weather</i>  |
| 11:15 AM | Mark Tipperman – NS Farm Land Trust: <i>A Critical Piece of the Solution</i>  |
| 11:30 AM | Sonu Chhina – Soil Bank: <i>How Finance Can Be a Solution to Regenerative Agriculture</i>   |
| 11:45 AM | Panel Question & Answer/Discussion  |
| 12:15 PM | Thank You and Closing Remarks   |