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AGRICULTURAL LAND USE PLANNING IN CANADA: INTEGRATING PUBLIC PRIORITIES FOR AGRICULTURE AND FOOD ACROSS JURISDICTIONS

Dr. Connell will discuss how the changing role and value of agriculture within Canadian society today might affect agricultural land use planning within and across national, provincial and local jurisdictions. The discussion is set within the overall aim of formulating policy for agricultural land use planning across Canada that help to conserve farmland and promote farming as the highest and best use of these lands. To this end, he will introduce three dominant policy regimes within Canada's agri-food system (global competitiveness; farmland preservation; and food sovereignty) and how agricultural land use planning process might accommodate these planning regimes. Dr. Connell will also address the question of how all levels of government in Canada can co-operate given the multiple competing demands for and shifting ideologies of farming and food as they intersect at the farm scale, municipal scale, provincial scale and national scale.