Appendix A

Access to Affordable and Nutritious Food: Understanding Food Deserts

Workshop Agenda

Waugh Auditorium
Economic Research Service
1800 M Street, NW
October 9, 2008

8:00 – 8:30 Check-in and continental breakfast
8:30 – 9:00 Welcome, Introductions, and Goals of the Workshop
   Laurian Unnevehr, Food Economics Division, ERS
   Shelly Ver Ploeg, Food Assistance Branch, ERS
9:00 – 10:30 Session 1: Defining and Conceptualizing Areas of Low Access to Affordable and Nutritious Food
   Chair: Robert Gibbs, Farm and Rural Household Well-Being Branch, ERS
   Lois Morton, Iowa State University
   Diego Rose, Tulane University
   Joel Gittelsohn, Johns Hopkins University
10:30 – 10:45 Break
10:45 – 12:00 Session 2: Implications of Low Access for Food and Nutrition Assistance Programs
   Chair: Steve Carlson, Food and Nutrition Service, USDA
   Carol Olander, Food and Nutrition Service, USDA
   Anne Bartholomew, Food and Nutrition Service, USDA
   Joel Berg, New York City Coalition Against Hunger
   Lorette Picciano, Rural Coalition
12:00 – 12:45 pm Lunch at ERS
12:45 – 1:30 Luncheon Address: Food Deserts and Diet and Health Outcomes
   Judith Wylie-Rosett, Albert Einstein College of Medicine
   and the American Heart Association
1:30 – 3:00 Session 3: Community Efforts to Reduce the Impact of Areas of Low Access
   Chair: Elizabeth Tuckerman, Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Service, USDA
   Joel Gittelsohn, Johns Hopkins University
LaDonna Redmond, Institute for Community Resource Development, Chicago, IL
Pamela Roy, Farm to Table & the New Mexico Food and Agriculture Policy Council
Ken Meter, Crossroads Resource Center, Minneapolis, MN

3:00 – 3:15  Break

3:15 – 4:45  Session 4: Roundtable Discussion of Program and Policy Options
Chair: Neil Conklin, Farm Foundation
Tim Hammonds, Food Marketing Institute
John Weidman, The Food Trust
Andy Fisher, Community Food Security Coalition
Kami Pothukuchi, Wayne State University

4:45  Closing and Adjourn
Neil Conklin, Farm Foundation