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**Cc:** Dickerson, Aaron[dickerson.aaron@epa.gov]  
**From:** Hupp, Sydney  
**Sent:** Thur 4/20/2017 7:38:39 PM  
**Subject:** RE: Meeting request - Apr. 25,26, or 27  
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Good afternoon Tom,

Thank you for reaching out! Would be happy to set this meeting up with the Administrator. How does 2:15 on the 25<sup>th</sup> work for you? If that sounds good, would you please complete the attached form so that I may calendar.

Thank you!

Sydney Hupp

Office of the Administrator- Scheduling

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**From:** Hope, Brian  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 19, 2017 5:12 PM  
**To:** Dickerson, Aaron <dickerson.aaron@epa.gov>; Hupp, Sydney <hupp.sydney@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** FW: Meeting request - Apr. 25,26, or 27

**From:** Tom Sell [<mailto:tom@combest-sell.com>]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 19, 2017 10:11 AM  
**To:** Pruitt, Scott <[Pruitt.Scott@epa.gov](mailto:Pruitt.Scott@epa.gov)>  
**Subject:** Meeting request - Apr. 25,26, or 27

Dear Administrator Pruitt:

Congratulations on your appointment and confirmation! We are excited about the prospects for our tenure and service.

The **Southwest Council of Agribusiness (SWCA)** has a group coming to DC next week (April 24-27) and would greatly appreciate any opportunity to meet with you or your designees.

The SWCA is an alliance of agricultural organizations, lending institutions, and agriculture-related businesses established to actively advocate for strong agricultural policy — you can see the membership at <http://southwest-council.org/wp/our-members/>.

The SWCA represents land-holders — stewards of our resources — who work daily to safeguard and cultivate a sustainable environment. From water to air to soil health to pesticide permitting, the EPA has a significant impact upon the members and interests of SWCA. We expect there will be a greater respect in the new EPA for those who toil in this ancient and challenging field, and would hope to establish a stronger working relationship going forward.

Thank you for considering. The group has 20 representatives flying in, but we would fashion a group to the size you would request. They could make anytime on the 25th, 26th or 27th work, but would prefer the 25th if possible. We would provide a specific list of names from those below, and specific issues to be discussed prior to the meeting.

Sincerely,

**Tom Sell**

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Fly-in participants include:

Rickey Bearden, SWCA Chairman, Plains Cotton Growers

Matt Huie, SWCA President, South Texas and Grain

L.G. Raun, SWCA Vice President, Texas Rice Producers

David Cleavinger, SWCA Vice President, Texas Wheat Producers Association

Steve Verett, SWCA Treasurer, Plains Cotton Growers

Scott Averhoff, SWCA Secretary, Texas Corn Producers

Jimmy Clark, SWCA Executive Director

Jeff Nunley, SWCA Member, South Texas Cotton & Grain

Steelee Fischbacher, SWCA Member, Texas Wheat Producers Association

Linda Raun, SWCA Member, Texas Rice Producers

Tim McDonald, SWCA Board Member, Ag Texas Farm Credit

Rick Boyd, SWCA Board Member, First United Bank

Tony Dill, SWCA Board Member, Western Peanut Growers

David Gibson, SWCA Member, Texas Corn Producers

Dee Vaughan, SWCA Board Member, Texas Corn Producers

Dale Artho, SWCA Board Member, Texas Sorghum Producers

Dave Cure, SWCA Board Member, Colorado Corn Producers

Mark Boardman, SWCA Member, Western Peanut Growers

Kody Bessent, SWCA Member, Plains Cotton Growers

Scott Schafer, SWCA Member, Farm Credit of New Mexico

Also attending our meetings will be Tom Sell, Jeff Harrison, Brad Weddelman, or Nolan Smith of Combest, Sell & Associates.