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### **NAFA PRESENTS A RENEWABLE FUEL SUMMIT FEATURING ALFALFA, ONE OF THE NATION'S LARGEST CROPS**

St. Paul, MN - The National Alfalfa & Forage Alliance (NAFA) is hosting ***Bioenergy Systems... Alfalfa, the Sleeping Giant***, a renewable fuels summit in Washington, D.C. on Wednesday, August 8, intended to feature the benefits of alfalfa as a candidate crop in the production of cellulosic ethanol and to develop an action plan to catalyse research activity into bringing cellulosic ethanol production technology to commercialization.

“If we’re going to meet the goal just adopted by the Senate of producing 25 percent of the nation's energy supply from renewable sources by 2025, cellulosic ethanol production must be a part of the equation,” said Mark Wagoner, Chairman of the National Alfalfa & Forage Alliance. “As one of the largest crops in the nation in terms of acreage, alfalfa can play a significant role in this effort and this event will demonstrate how.”

An impressive line-up of speakers has been assembled for the summit including executives from some of the pre-eminent bioenergy companies in the world, leading researchers, congressional staff from the House Agriculture and Senate Energy Committees, and administrators from the Department of Energy’s Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy and USDA’s Agricultural Research Service. This is a valuable opportunity to learn more about what is going on in the renewable fuels arena and why alfalfa stands as one of the leading candidate crops for cellulosic ethanol production.

To pre-register for this event, go to [www.alfalfa.org](http://www.alfalfa.org) (pre-registration is required). Watch for further details, including a complete agenda, location details, and accommodation information, coming soon.