Naturally Meramec Consortium Regional Meeting August 25, 2015 6:00-8:00 p.m.

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## Agenda

## 1. Introductions

- 2. *Naturally Meramec* Overview: MRPC staff will present a brief overview of the project, review discussions from the county meetings and next steps.
- 3. Presentation: Peter Hofherr, CEO St. James Winery. Mr. Hofherr, who is essentially responsible for the *Naturally Meramec* concept, will talk about his vision for the project not only in the Meramec Region, but in the State of Missouri.
- 4. Needs Summary: Needs of agriculture/tourism businesses were identified in the county meetings. Participants will be asked to prioritize the needs and answer questions about identified needs as they impact individual business.
- 5. Barrier Identification: Participants will we asked to share what they feel are the biggest barriers to the ability of local agriculture/tourism businesses in marketing and using each other's products/services.
- 6. Announcements: MRPC staff will share information about current opportunities for marketing.
- 7. Refreshments/Networking: Participants will have an opportunity to get to know each other and begin discussions on how they might work together.