

Bipartisan Commission on Biodefense visits IDRC, CSU

On November 4th and 5th, members of the Bipartisan Commission on Biodefense visited CSU, met with leaders and key researchers, and held a public meeting with hearings. Witnesses testified about the importance of the agricultural sector to our Colorado economy, and spoke to the important capabilities of the land grant universities to help address the challenge of biosecurity for the agricultural economy.

Commissioners, including Executive Director Asha George, Former U.S. Senate Majority Leader Tom Daschle, and former Assistant Attorney General for National Security and former Homeland Security Advisor to President George W. Bush, Ken Wainstein were all actively engaged in the two days of meetings and hearings. As the public meeting wrapped up, each commissioner commented on how valuable they found the time to get out of Washington D.C. and see the extraordinary passion that the CSU community uses as it approaches important work in this area.



Ray Goodrich describes the IDRC's capabilities to Sen. Daschle



Lindsay Hartson demos a new technology for the commission



Commissioners Asha George, Tom Daschle, and Ken Wainstein listen to panelists



Colorado Rep. Joe Neguse testifies to the commission



Tony Frank, Alan Rudolph, Sen. Daschle share stories



Alan Rudolph testifies, advocates for land grant universities