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TO: All FSA Staff

FROM: Zach Ducheneaux
Administrator, Farm Service Agency 

SUBJECT: USDA-NASS 2024 June Area Survey Support of All FSA State, Area, and County
Office Personnel

One of the most important surveys conducted by the USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) is the June Area Survey (JAS). NASS Regional offices use National Association of State Departments of Agriculture (NASDA) enumerators to contact farm operators for these surveys. Part of the process (the prescreening phase) requires that the NASDA enumerator determine the operator of all tracts of land within a randomly selected segment of land, approximately one square mile in size.

NASDA enumerators will drive around segments of land and make in person visits to identify land operators within each segment. Prescreening is expected to be completed between March 20 and April 19 for the JAS.

Several different data sources have been utilized to identify these operators ahead of the prescreening phase of the surveys, but there may be times when the enumerators will need to call or come by the County or Area FSA office and ask for assistance to determine who operates a particular tract of land. To facilitate this process, I would like your help in providing this information to our colleagues at NASS (and to their NASDA enumerators). NASDA enumerators will remind you they are conducting the survey for USDA-NASS. Your assistance will help our producers by ensuring sound statistics for the Agricultural Industry.

In accordance with our Memorandum of Understanding we have with USDA-NASS, it is in our best interest to assist NASDA staff on behalf of USDA-NASS. If any producers inquire about this survey, please encourage them to respond. If they have any questions, send them to your local USDA-NASS contacts. The contact list for local USDA-NASS offices is included on the next two pages. I appreciate your assistance with helping FSA to fulfill our support to our partner agency.

USDA-NASS Regional Field Office Directors & State Statistician's Contact Numbers

Delta			
Arkansas	Young, Eugene	Regional Director	501-217-1932
Louisiana	Broussard, Kathy	State Statistician	225-922-1362
Mississippi	Dickson, Esmerelda	State Statistician	601-359-1259

Eastern Mountain			
Kentucky	Knopf, David	Regional Director	502-907-3218
North Carolina	Dorn, Tony	State Statistician	787-485-1715
Tennessee	Knopf, David	Regional Director	502-907-3218
West Virginia	Cowell-Mytar, Alissa	State Statistician	304-357-5123
Virginia	Ellison, Herman	State Statistician	502-907-3250

Great Lakes			
Michigan	Johnson, Marlo D.	Regional Director	517-324-5301
Indiana	Warenski, Nathaniel	State Statistician	765-494-8371
Ohio	Torrance, Ben	State Statistician	220-228-5533

Northeastern			
Pennsylvania	Butler, Charles	Acting Regional Director	717-787-3904
Delaware/Maryland	Williams, Shareefah	State Statistician	301-347-8179
New England	Hird, Pam	State Statistician	202-615-9845
New Jersey	Eklund, Bruce	State Statistician	503-308-0404
New York	Walker, Charles	State Statistician	410-259-2138

Southern			
Georgia	Prillaman, Anthony	Regional Director	706-424-1409
Alabama	Wilson, Charmaine	State Statistician	256-836-3450
Florida	Hudson, Mark	State Statistician	407-648-6013
South Carolina	Moore, Jacqueline	State Statistician	803-734-2506

Southern Plains			
Texas	Hundl, Wil	Regional Director	512-501-3200
Oklahoma	Marshall, Troy	State Statistician	405-415-8851

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Heartland			
Missouri	Summa, Brad	Regional Director	314-595-9594
Illinois	Schleusener, Mark	State Statistician	217-524-9606

Mountain			
Colorado	Ott, Rodger	Regional Director	720-787-3150
Arizona	Dewalt, Dave	State Statistician	602-280-8860
Montana	Sommer, Eric	State Statistician	406-422-2733
New Mexico	Whitcotton, Margie	State Statistician	800-392-3202
Utah	Hilton, John	State Statistician	801-524-5003
Wyoming	Lohrenz, Leslee	State Statistician	720-787-3150

Northern Plains			
Nebraska	Streff, Nicholas	Regional Director	402-470-8803
Kansas	Bounds, Douglas	State Statistician	785-260-1508
North Dakota	Jantzi, Darin	State Statistician	701-412-5953
South Dakota	Gerlach, Erik	State Statistician	605-212-9832

Northwest			
Washington	Koong, Dennis	Regional Director	360-890-3301
Alaska	Brosier, Andrew	State Statistician	907-745-4272
Idaho	Johnson, Ben	State Statistician	208-334-9365
Oregon	Losh, Dave	State Statistician	503-260-3901

Pacific			
California	Keough, Gary	Regional Director	916-738-6601
Hawaii	Keogh, Gary	Regional Director	916-738-6601
Nevada	Keough, Gary	Regional Director	916-738-6601

Upper Midwest			
Iowa	Thessen, Greg	Regional Director	515-776-3401
Minnesota	Lofthus, Dan	State Statistician	651-728-3113
Wisconsin	Bussler, Greg	State Statistician	608-287-4775