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Obama Administration Names John McCauley to Serve as State Executive Director for the Farm Service Agency in Kentucky

WASHINGTON, October 6, 2009 - The Obama Administration today announced that John McCauley will serve as Kentucky State Executive Director for the Farm Service Agency at the USDA.

"John McCauley has a solid understanding of the challenges and opportunities facing our rural communities and will help build on the Obama Administration's efforts to rebuild and revitalize rural America," said Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack.

McCauley was the managing member of JWM Consulting Service for seven years and brings two decades of public service to this position. He served as Director of the Division of Pesticide Regulation in the Kentucky Department of Agriculture in the 1990s and served on the Governor's Commission on Literacy five years before that. McCauley has also worked in the Kentucky Labor Cabinet and Kentucky General Assembly.

USDA's Farm Services Agency works to increase economic opportunity and improve the quality of life for rural Americans. Some of the agency's efforts include facilitating income support, disaster assistance and conservation programs, providing operating loans for the procurement of farm equipment, seed and fertilizer, as well as offering ownership loans to help new and veteran producers purchase a farm. FSA also works to procure various commodities to benefit low-income families through domestic food assistance programs.

The USDA provides leadership on food, agriculture and natural resources and touches the life of every American. Reflecting President Obama's commitment to expanding economic opportunities in rural America, Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack and the USDA are working to enhance availability of broadband, promote the development of renewable energy, to conserve, maintain and improve our natural resources and environment, and promote a sustainable, safe, sufficient and nutritious food supply.

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