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Aaron Krauter accepted the position of North Dakota Farm Service Agency (FSA) State Executive Director (SED) on August 10, 2009. Aaron graduated from Regent High School. He attended the University of Mary in Bismarck, ND where he earned degrees in music education and business. He taught music at Cooperstown High School from 1978 to 1979. In 1979, he began working for LaBelle's Catalog Showroom in Bismarck, which was later purchased by Best Products, Inc. From 1985 to 1987, he served as the Corporate Operations Manager for Best Products, in Richmond, VA, directing operations analysts in 220 retail stores located across the United States.

Eventually, his travels brought him home to Regent, ND, to take over the family farm. Since 1987, he has operated the 3,000-acre farm, which he formed into a no-till production farm. The family is now in its 12th year of zero-tilling. Aaron and his wife Cindy have three children, Emily, Mitchell, and Hannah.

Aaron served in the North Dakota State Senate for twenty years, where he was elected to five 4-year terms. He sat on the Senate Appropriations Committee, and from 2000-2003 served as Senate Minority Leader.

Aaron has also been active in many organizations such as the North Dakota Farmers Union, NDSU Extension Advisory Council, NDSU Agronomy Seed Farm, Dakota Pride Cooperative and Hettinger County Crop Improvement and Livestock Improvement Association.

The North Dakota Farm Service Agency is under the United States Department of Agriculture. North Dakota has 51 county offices. These offices provide farm program services and farm operating loans and real estate loans to producers.