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## Public Notice for Local Administrative Area Election LAA #2

The Monmouth, Mercer, Middlesex County FSA Committee elections for LAA #2 will be held this year on December 5<sup>th</sup> at 9:30AM at the FSA Office in Freehold NJ. Ballots must be returned to the office or postmarked by December 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2019. Eligible voters have the right to nominate candidate(s) of their choice. Nomination forms may be obtained at the Mercer, Middlesex, Monmouth County FSA Office. Each form submitted must be:

- limited to 1 nominee
- signed by the nominee, indicating willingness to serve, if elected
- postmarked or hand delivered to the County FSA Office no later than August 1<sup>st</sup>.

Any nominee should be currently engaged in the operation of a farm or ranch and be well qualified for committee work.

A producer is eligible to be a County FSA Committee member if the producer lives in the LAA up for election and is an eligible voter.

**COUNTY FSA COMMITTEE MEMBERS MAY NOT HOLD POSITIONS IN CERTAIN FARM AND COMMODITY ORGANIZATIONS IF THESE POSITIONS POSE A CONFLICT OF INTEREST WITH FSA DUTIES.** These positions include functional offices such as president, vice president, secretary, and positions on boards or executive committees. Additional information of eligibility to hold office may be obtained at the County FSA Office.

The duties of County FSA Committee member include:

- informing farmers and ranchers of the purpose and provisions of the FSA programs
- keeping the State FSA Committee informed of LAA conditions
- recommending needed changes in farm programs
- participating in county meetings as necessary performing other duties as assigned by the State FSA Committee

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