OREGON FARM BUREAU ANNOUNCES NEW EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Former head of the Klamath Water Users Association returns to Salem

(October 25, 2022) - Greg Addington has been hired as Executive Director of the Oregon Farm Bureau. He will lead the state's largest general agricultural organization and takes over for longtime executive, Dave Dillon.

Addington brings extensive leadership and public policy experience to Farm Bureau and has a true heart for the organization. From 1996 to 2005, he served first as a regional manager focused on working with county Farm Bureau leaders and then as a lobbyist in the governmental affairs division. In 2005, he and his family moved to the Klamath Basin where he served as the Executive Director of the Klamath Water Users Association for a decade. In his role in Klamath, he represented irrigators and irrigation districts in the Bureau of Reclamation’s Klamath Project.

Most recently he has done a variety of public policy consulting work focused in and around southern Oregon and serves as Program Coordinator for the REAL Oregon (Resource Education Agricultural Leadership) program. In coordination with the Oregon Agricultural Education Foundation and with leadership from the REAL Oregon Project Committee, Addington worked to establish Oregon’s only statewide ag and forestry focused leadership program. REAL Oregon is currently welcoming its sixth cohort.

Raised in Southern Oregon, Greg graduated from the University of Idaho with a degree in Agricultural Economics/Agribusiness. In 2021, he worked as Chief of Staff for State Representative Vicki Breese-Iverson of Prineville, and he currently serves as one of five voting members of state's Environmental Quality Commission and is also on the Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board.

FARMERS & RANCHERS HAVE THE POWER TO TIP THE SCALES

Get out and Vote!

For over a decade, single-party political control has wrecked havoc in the lives of Oregon's farmers and ranchers. The lack of balance and genuine debate in Salem has had a negative effect on the state's natural resource industries.

Recently, The Wall Street Journal published an article with the headline “GOP Has a Chance at Oregon's Governorship for the First Time in Four Decades.” Farm Bureau is a non-partisan organization, but it's worth noting that the last time Oregon had a Republican governor, Ronald Reagan was in the Oval Office and the original Top Gun was in theaters.

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Addington is pleased to be coming back to the Farm Bureau family. "I essentially started my career with the Farm Bureau, and it put me on a path to be an advocate for our states natural resource industries. I feel privileged to have come full circle and now have the opportunity to serve the membership, a dedicated board of directors, and to lead a very talented and hard-working staff."

Oregon Farm Bureau President Angi Bailey noted that agriculture in this state is at a crossroads and that Addington is a natural fit. "Greg knows this state, he knows the organization, and he is politically savvy. Even though he has history with the organization, he brings new energy and a fresh perspective, and is well-suited to hit the ground running."

Addington will officially take over starting November 21, ahead of the Farm Bureau annual meeting which will take place December 5-8 in Hood River.

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Our state is in a position to have some balance restored, but it is going to take everyone, especially rural Oregon, showing up at the ballot box and making their voice heard.

Laws, regulations, and growing costs have caused many family farmers and ranchers to question if their operations will remain viable into the future. From OSHA’s newly adopted heat and smoke rules to the passage of ag overtime during the 2022 legislative session, to Governor Kate Brown’s tone-deaf Climate Protection Program, which was instituted by executive order, Oregon has become one of the most anti-business states in America.

The governor has the power to make policy recommendations to the legislature, oversee government agencies, appoint agency directors, and veto legislation. A shift in single-party control of the governorship, combined with a real possibility that we can avoid “super majorities” in one or both chambers of the State Legislature, is significantly driving voter motivation and turnout, and it should. Across the state, Oregon Farm Bureau has seen incredible participation in the “I Farm, I Vote” campaign. From Tillamook to Klamath, to Columbia County - the momentum is there and it is growing. One important change to keep in mind when voting this year is that ballots only have to be postmarked by November 8th. Please remind your family and friends that it’s not too late.

MONTHLY MEMBER BRIEFINGS

November 18 at 7:00 am
December 16 at 7:00 am

To keep Farm Bureau voting and supporting members better informed about what’s going on in Salem and Washington D.C., OFB hosts Monthly Member Briefings via Zoom.

These hour-long meetings take place at 7 a.m. and feature members of the OFB staff, and sometimes special guests, giving need-to-know updates about the most pressing issues facing Farm Bureau members.

Get the Zoom credentials at OregonFB.org/monthlybriefing.

Please mark your calendar for these upcoming briefings: November 18th at 7:00 am and December 16th at 7:00 am.
2022 Legal and Regulatory Year in Review
Legal Engagement

OFB worked hard to advance the policies of Oregon’s farmers and ranchers in the courts in 2022, engaging in several high-profile state and federal cases, including cap and reduce, ag overtime, wolf delisting and agency reinterpretation of policies.

- **Carbon “Cap and Reduce” Litigation** - OFB remains a part of the litigation and submitted our brief to the Court of Appeals. We are awaiting the decision which is likely several months out.

- **Ag Overtime Challenge** – OFB intervened in this lawsuit, although it will likely get dismissed, it remains pending.

- **Wolf Delisting** – In May the federal government filed to appeal re-listing of gray wolves as endangered. Additionally, the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals reversed a lower court ruling that would not have allowed AFBF to defend the delisting of the gray wolf. OFB will continue to monitor the case as it moves forward.

- **Justice the Horse** - OFB filed an amicus brief in this case in 2019 arguing that horses do not have "personhood" under Oregon law and cannot be parties to a lawsuit. The Court of Appeals finally issued their decision which was a win for our side! OFB is aware that the horse owner plans to appeal, and we will be prepared to engage at the Supreme Court.

- **Klamath Refuge Case** – OFB recently received a decision in the Klamath Refuge case that we intervened in. The decision essentially approved the status quo management and was largely a win on the ag side.

- **PNW Metal Recycling Case** – OFB recently joined OBI, NW Pulp & Paper Association, OFS and OFIC in filing an amicus brief with the Oregon Supreme court against Oregon DEQ in a case brought by PNW Metal Recycling. PNW Metal Recycling was successful in challenging DEQ on a solid waste permit issue- at issue in this case is DEQ’s reinterpretation of policies without a corresponding rule change, and more importantly the pervasive issue of Oregon’s state agencies rewriting policies without going through the formal rulemaking process.

Regulatory Engagement

In 2022, OFB staff worked to protect the interests of Oregon’s farmers and ranchers in a time of complex and ever increasing state and federal regulation. At a glance, OFB submitted multiple substantive comment letters to state and federal agencies, sat on numerous rulemaking advisory committees, lead coalitions, worked cooperatively with agencies, and effectively advanced the position of Oregon agriculture across nearly every area of public policy. The amount of significant agency rulemakings remains unprecedented.

Ongoing Rulemakings

- **SB 762 Implementation** – OFB continues to participate in ongoing workgroups and rules advisory committees around the implementation of the omnibus wildfire bill. We are engaging to ensure that the mapping and associated requirements do not adversely affect agriculture.

- **Beaver Management Workgroup** – OFB wrapped up our participation in an ongoing workgroup convened by the Fish and Wildlife Commission to determine whether beaver trapping should be limited on federal lands this spring. OFB participated to oppose the limits on trapping and limit any collateral impact of trapping on private lands.

- **Trapping Workgroup** – OFB participated in a second workgroup convened by the Fish and Wildlife Commission to evaluate “trap check intervals” and determine whether changes are needed. OFB participated to oppose limits on trapping that would make predator control more challenging in remote environments. This workgroup eventually broke down and the Commission reduced trap check times across the board without taking into consideration any input from the regulated community.
Ongoing Rulemakings continued....

- **Critical Groundwater Area (Division 10 Rules)** – This rulemaking will be a complete overhaul of the process by which the Department designates “Critical Groundwater Areas.” The designation process will determine the boundaries, likely the amount of water they think can substantially be extracted, and the appeals rights of impacted users. After designation of a critical groundwater area, the Department then regulates off users that are junior to the point in time where use will be “sustainable” by their metrics. This rulemaking will be incredibly significant to OFB members.

- **Regional Water Management Workgroup** – OFB continues to be a part of a regional water management workgroup created as part of the 2021 water package.

- **Paid Family Medical Leave Workgroup** – OFB sits on the rules advisory committee and its subcommittees for paid family medical leave. These groups are currently meeting and OFB is advocating for sideboards to protect farmers and ranchers.

- **OR-OSHA Heat, Smoke and Heat in Housing Rulemaking** – OFB was heavily engaged in the process to create permanent rules advocated for by labor representatives regarding exposure to heat and smoke in the workplace. OFB pushed back on requirements that are not supported by data and are unworkable for Oregon's ag employers and continues to raise issues with implementation to OR-OSHA.

- **Pesticide license updates** – OFB was invited to participate in a rulemaking at the Oregon Department of Agriculture concerning enforcement of pesticide laws and the creation of a noncommercial applicators license. We will advocate for fair and unbiased regulatory changes that are easily applied by producers.

- **Ag Labor Housing Rulemaking** – OFB has been engaged in an OR-OSHA workgroup convened at the request of Oregon Law Center that is discussing changes they want to see to Oregon's ag labor housing requirements. OFB continues to push back on changes that would increase the cost of housing that are unnecessary for employee health and safety.

- **FEMA Bi Op Implementation** – OFB has been closely engaged with state and federal agencies regarding the implementation of the 2016 Biological Opinion impacting the regulation of floodplains in Oregon. Earlier this summer, OFB followed up with FEMA and found out that they are pushing on the issue of how they are going to regulate agriculture under the BiOp. We anticipate Senator Merkley's office may ask us to engage in a follow up meeting to start a conversation around how FEMA anticipates regulating agriculture.

Ongoing Rulemakings

- **TMDL Rulemaking** – DEQ finalized their rulemaking that would allow them to adopt TMDLs by rule, rather than by order as they have done for years. The impact of this change will fall most heavily on regulated entities, including OFB members, and would reduce the opportunity for public input. OFB is now engaged with DEQ around which TMDLs they will develop by rule vs. order and how they will decide which TMDLs they develop under which process. OFB has already been placed on upcoming rules advisory committees for TMDLs in 2023.

- **Aquatic Life Rulemaking** – OFB is a part of a rules advisory committee on the aquatic life rulemaking that DEQ is undertaking to change the seasons and waterways that have fish specific water quality standards (i.e. changing the spawning season designations and waterways based on new data). OFB has partnered with OFIC to hire Rich Wildman to participate in this RAC and assist with comments since it requires a high level of technical expertise.
Federal Comments

- **SEC Comments** – OFB provided comments strongly opposing the Security and Exchange Commission’s proposed rules on the enhancement and standardization of climate-related disclosers for investors. This regulatory overreach each would have placed an additional burden on the backs of our farmers and ranchers.

- **River Democracy Act** - OFB continued to submit letters and comments to Senator Wyden on the River Democracy Act throughout 2022.

- **Comments to BLM John Day River Land Acquisition Scoping** – OFB provided comments with a coalition raising concerns related to lack of consideration of economic benefits of agricultural uses, concerns related to noxious and invasive weeds, fire control and emergency services, roads and access, concerns related to changes in ownership and the impact on SWCDs, and the loss of AUMs.

- **Comments to NOAA on 30x30 goal** – OFB submitted comments on NOAA’s Actions To Advance the Goals and Recommendations in the Report on Conserving and Restoring America The Beautiful.

- **Comments to U.S. OSHA** – Comments were submitted by OFB to U.S. OSHA on their Advance Notice of Proposed Rulemaking on Heat Injury and Illness Prevention in Outdoor and Indoor Work Settings.

- **Comments to US Department of Labor** – OFB submitted comments on the Proposed Rule on the Adverse Effect Wage Rate Methodology for the Temporary Employment of H-2A Nonimmigrants in Non-Range Occupations in the United States.

- **USDA Smart Climate Ag Grant** – OFB submitted a letter of support for Oregon Department of Agriculture’s application for funds from the USDA Climate Smart Ag Grant Program.

State Comments

- **Pesticide General Permit** - OFB submitted comments on the proposed 2300A Water quality Pesticide General Permit renewal.


- **Board of Agriculture Resolutions** - OFB submitted comments on the Board of Agriculture’s review of board resolutions.

- **Trap Check time intervals** - OFB submitted comments on the change in trap check time intervals.

- **OR-OSHA Wildfire Smoke Rules** – OFB submitted comments during the public comment period on the rules highlighting that the rules are problematic, and that there is no way to distinguish what is “wildfire smoke” and what is “other pollution” in an Air Quality Index (AQI) reading.

- **OR-OSHA Heat Illness Prevention** – Extensive comments were submitted by OFB, but OR-OSHA largely declined to incorporate our feedback into the final rules.

- **DLCD Climate-Friendly and Equitable Communities (CFEC) Rules** – OFB submitted comments on these rules because it is unquestionable that they will have a major impact on the structure and function of Oregon’s economy and there was not adequate stakeholder engagement in the development of the rules.

- **Joint Task Force on Universal Health Care** - OFB provided written comments to the task force to support points that we had raised during the forums.
State Comments continued...

- **DEQ Investment in Groundwater Quality Program** – OFB submitted comments supporting an increased investment in the groundwater program and highlighting our concern of DEQ’s lack of targeted investment in the groundwater program.

- **DEQ & ODA Pesticide Stewardship Partnership Program** - Comments were submitted by a coalition of groups, including OFB, highlighting our serious concerns with the current direction and outcomes of the Pesticide Stewardship Partnership Program.

- **DEQ Director** - A coalition sent a letter to DEQ commenting on the draft criteria that will be used for the hiring of the next director of DEQ.

- **Bureau of Labor and Industries (BOLI) Draft Rules implementing HB 4002** – OFB provided comments to BOLI on the draft rules implementing HB 4002, Ag overtime.

- **Large Poultry CAFO Workgroup** - Comments were submitted strongly opposing any increased local control over any farm use in a farm zone.

- **Oregon Department of Forestry Wildland Urban Interface (WUI)/Wildfire Risk** - OFB submitted comments multiple times during the rulemaking process on the development of the WUI and the criteria for the wildfire risk categories required under SB 762.

- **DLCD Wildfire Adapted Communities Workgroup** - OFB submitted written comments on the recommendations for more “wildfire adapted communities” developed by DLCD for the legislature and the Wildfire Programs Advisory Council.

- **ODF Changes to Forest Practices Act (FPA)** – OFB submitted written comments opposing some of the changes to the FPA to implement the Private Forest Accord.

- **DEQ Dairy Air Petition** - OFB submitted comments requesting DEQ deny the petition to regulate dairy air emissions.

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8 WINTER HOMEOWNER TIPS YOU CAN'T AFFORD TO MISS

Winter elements can wreak havoc on your home if you’re not careful to properly maintain it. Take these simple steps to protect your home before the temperatures start to dip this winter season.

1) Disconnect your garden hoses. If you leave your garden hoses connected during winter, any water left inside the hose could freeze and cause the lining to crack. Additionally, if the main nozzle on your hose freezes, the ice could put pressure on the pipes connected to your house which could cause them to crack or burst.

2) Keep the heat on. If you plan on being away from your home for a long period of time, do not turn off your heating system. We recommend you set your thermostat to 65 degrees or higher. This will help prevent pipes from freezing and bursting under extreme weather and temperature conditions. Additionally, it’s a good idea to leave your cabinet doors open so warmer air can circulate near the pipes and the faucet dripping at a pencil-thin stream during extremely cold temperatures.

3) Shut off your water main if you're going away. Some homeowners like to turn off their water when they’re away from their homes for a long period of time. You likely have two shut off handles: one before and one after the water meter. We suggest you shut off the one before the meter. Then, relieve the pressure in the system by opening all faucets in your home. Leaving the faucets open while you’re gone is up to your own discretion.

4) Clean out your egress window wells. Keeping your window wells clean helps ensure your drains in the wells are free of any leaves or garbage, allowing for proper drainage.

5) Seal your driveway. Consider sealing your driveway if you haven’t done it before. Doing this before it gets too cold will help protect your driveway from the salt the city uses on the streets during the winter months. It also prevents cracks from growing due to the expansion of freezing water. Be sure to do the proper prep work such as cleaning and patching to ensure effectiveness. You can purchase sealant and the tools needed to do it yourself at most hardware stores or hire a pro to do it for you.

6) Don't use salt on your concrete. If you have a concrete driveway or sidewalks, don’t use salt on them! Salt will pit and damage the concrete. Sand is the only product guaranteed not to harm concrete. While sand does not melt the ice, it will make your driveways and sidewalks easier to walk on.

7) Clean out your gutters. Removing leaves and other debris from your gutters before winter can help prevent ice from forming inside the gutters. This can potentially prevent "ice damming," which can cause severe damage to the interior of the home.

8) Take care of your furnace. When is the last time you’ve changed your furnace filter? Make sure you are keeping up with your filter changes and be sure to call your HVAC service provider for your fall service check-up before winter hits.

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CENTURY FARM & RANCH HONOREES

Oregon’s Century Farm & Ranch Program honored nine farm families at the Oregon State Fair in August. Deschutes County now has its first recognized Century Farm. This brings the total number of Oregon Century Farms & Ranches to 1,252. The Sesquicentennial Award program began

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2022 Century Farm Honorees

Burley Farm: Founded in Clackamas County in 1922 by Cyrus & Mabel Burley. Applicants are Dennis & Sandy Burley. Dennis is the grandson of founders Cyrus & Mabel Burley.

Fox Farm: Founded in Tillamook County in 1922 by Ocora Syvilia Fox. Applicant James “Jim” Royal Fox, Jr. is the great grandson of the founder Ocora “Orra” Fox.


Rastovich Family Farm: Founded in Deschutes County in 1922 by George & Anna Rastovich. Applicant is Rob Rastovich, the grandson of George & Anna Rastovich.

2022 Sesquicentennial Farm Honorees

Chapman-Dickey Farms: Founded in Yamhill County in 1852 by William Chapman. Applicant is Vane Dickey, who now operate the farm and is the great-great grandson of William Chapman.

Hindman Ranch: Founded in Union County in 1872 by William B. Hindman. Applicant is Shirley Ann Hindman, great granddaughter of founder William B. Hindman.

Ringo Family Farm: Founded in Clackamas County in 1865 by Harbor C. & Huldah Ringo. The applicant is LuAnnRingo Nelzen who is the great great granddaughter of the founders.

Sherer Family Farm: Founded in Linn County in 1852 by David & William Sherer. Applicants are Cathy Hess and Christine Bithell, great granddaughters of founder David Jr. and great grand nieces of founder William Sherer.

For more details of the farm and ranch stories and to learn about Oregon’s Century Farm & Ranch Program, please visit: www.centruyfarm.oregonfb.org.
2022 COUNTY FARM BUREAU ANNUAL MEETINGS

Farm Bureau is a true grassroots organization. Voting and supporting Farm Bureau members are encouraged to attend their County Farm Bureau annual meeting for elections, county updates, and fellowship. The following information is also posted at OregonFb.org/countyannuals.

Baker CFB - Annual - October 25th.

Benton CFB Annual - October 19th.

Clackamas/Multnomah CFB Annual - Friday, November 11th, 6:30 pm business meeting and cocktail hour at Wooden Shoe Tulip Farm (33814 S. Meridian Rd., Woodburn, OR 97071). Dinner at 7:00 pm, 7:30 pm program featured, Dr. Jim Moore, Pacific University. RSVP to clackamascountyfb@gmail.com or 971.350.8908.

Clatsop CFB Annual - November 16th
at 6:00 pm at the Golden Star Restaurant, 599 Bond St, Astoria. Full course Chinese, no cost.

Columbia CFB Annual - October 25th.

Coos-Curry CFB Annual - November 4th, 6:00 pm social hour, 7:00 pm dinner at Lord Bennett's, 1695 Beach Loop Road, Bandon, Oregon. Guest speaker former Representative Caddy McKeown on the "Pacific Coast Intermodal Port Project." Dinner cost is $30/person, choices are beef, chicken or fish. RSVP to 541.347.3453 or 541.290.7818.

Crook-Wheeler CFB Annual - November 10th, 6:00 pm at the Clover Club Building; 498 SE Lynn Blvd, Prineville. Try-Tip Dinner catered by Blend of Things 4-H Club. $500 Bullseye Firearms Gift Certificate scholarship raffle. Call Janice to get tickets or to RSVP at 541-408-7584.

Deschutes CFB Annual - October 21st.

Douglas CFB Annual - November 5th, 5:00 pm at The Lookingglass Grange Hall, 7426 Lookingglass Rd. No cost. Guest speaker: Douglas County Extension Small Farm Programs Coordinator - Logan Bennett.

Gilliam CFB Annual - September 23rd.

Grant CFB Annual - September 25th.

Hood River CFB Annual - November 9th, 6:00 pm. More info coming soon.

Jackson CFB Annual - October 22nd.

Jefferson CFB Annual - November 19th at Mazatlan Restaurant in Madras. Business meeting & officer elections at 1:00 pm. Dinner, no host bar and evening program at 5:30 pm. RSVP by November 14th to Sue Vanek at 541-480-6200 or Mickey Killingsworth at 503-250-2460.

Klamath-Lake CFB Annual - November 12th at the Klamath County Fairgrounds in the blue building. Meeting starts at 5:00 pm, dinner starts at 6:00 pm.

Lane CFB Annual - September 8th.

Linn CFB Annual - November 10th, 6:00 pm social hour, dinner at 6:30 pm at 31700 Fayetteville Drive, Shedd, Oregon, 97377. RSVP to Anne Rigor. Price is $10/person in advance or $15/person at the door.

Malheur CFB Annual - November 15th, 7:00 pm mountain time at the Boulevard Grange Hall. Dinner provided for county members and guests.

Marion CFB Annual - November 9th, 6:30 pm meeting and 7:00 pm dinner at the Chemeketa Community College Ag Science Building, 4000 Lancaster Dr. NE. Entertainment by Mark Seymour Duo. Dinner cost is $35 ($20 for students). RSVP to Ashley at 503-877-1999 or office@marioncofarm.com.

Multnomah/Clackamas CFB Annual - Friday, November 11th, 6:30 pm business meeting and cocktail hour at Wooden Shoe Tulip Farm (33814 S. Meridian Rd., Woodburn, OR 97071). Dinner at 7:00 pm, 7:30 pm program featured, Dr. Jim Moore, Pacific University. RSVP to clackamascountyfb@gmail.com or 971.350.8908.

Polk CFB Annual - November 9th, 6:00 pm at the Polk County Fairgrounds, Rickreall Oregon. RSVP to Anne Rigor.

Sherman CFB Annual - November 16th, more details to come.

Tillamook CFB Annual - November 17th at 5:30 pm at the Officer's Mess Hall, 6825 Officers' Row Rd, Tillamook. RSVP to Carol Leuthold at 503-801-0961 or Pam Sweifel at 503-842-4577.

Union CFB Annual - November 16th, 6pm at Urban Vine barrel room. Cost is $10. Contact Curt Ricker at 541.910.0629. Speakers include John Williams on wolves.

Wasco CFB Annual - October 20th.

Washington CFB Annual - November 19th, with 6pm social hour & 7pm dinner at the Forest Grove Elks Lodge. Contact: Kathy Bartholemy, 503.628.0526.

Yamhill CFB Annual - November 3rd, 5:30 pm at Yamhill County Valley Heritage Center, 11275 SW Durham Lane, McMinnville, Oregon (approx. a mile west of McMinnville along Hwy 18). Price: $10/person. RSVP by October 28th to reserve your space at the Farm Bureau office (503.472.9123) or email Marie Schmidt at Schmidtannm@embarqmail.com. Speaker: Yamhill County Sheriff's Department will discuss rural crime and ways to protect yourself and your property.
MEMBER BENEFITS

Get all of these instructions immediately after creating an account at members.oregonfb.org.

**FORD**: Oregon Farm Bureau members can receive $500 Bonus Cash toward eligible Ford vehicles, and $750 Bonus Cash toward eligible Lincoln vehicles. Must be Farm Bureau in Oregon for at least 30 consecutive days prior to purchase. Membership number is required. Limit one Bonus Cash offer per vehicle purchase or lease. Create the certificate with your Farm Bureau membership number at FordFarmBureauAdvantage.com.

**COUNTRY FINANCIAL** offers insurance for auto, farm, home, life, crop, identity theft coverage, and more. COUNTRY’s insurance and other services are available exclusively to Farm Bureau members. Contact 866.268.6879 or visit countryfinancial.com.

**Wyndham Hotels**: This program offers up to 20% off the Best Available Rate at almost 8,000 participating hotels worldwide. Make your Advanced Reservation for any hotel listed above at wyndhamhotels.com/farm-bureau or 877.670.7088 with OFB code 100009399.

**Choice Hotels**: Members can receive a 20% discount on rates at more than 7,000 hotels listed above. To access the discount, make an Advanced Reservation with Choice Hotels at 800.258.2847 or choicehotels.com and use the special rate ID 00209770.

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**AmeriGas**: AmeriGas offers a $0.05-per-gallon discount on propane to all Farm Bureau members. 24/7 emergency service provided. Give your Farm Bureau membership number to your local AmeriGas office. Find local office at amerigas.com, 800.427.4968.

**John Deere**: Farm Bureau members are eligible for a complimentary John Deere Rewards upgrade (Platinum 2 status) - which unlocks the best loyalty rewards, including valuable equipment discounts. Register at JohnDeere.com/farmbureau. Must be a valid Farm Bureau member for 30 days. A valid member email address is required.

**Case IH**: Farm Bureau members can save up to $500 per unit on the purchase or lease of eligible Maxxum and Vestrum tractors. A $200 per unit incentive is available for eligible Formal equipment, along with other hay tools. Visit your dealer and make your best deal. Then present your discount certificate to subtract another $200-$500 from the bottom line. Your certificate, along with valid ID, must be presented to the Case IH dealer in advance of delivery to receive the discount. Print a discount certificate with your Farm Bureau number and zip code at members.oregonfb.org.

**Grainger**: Farm Bureau members get special member prices on selected categories and from Grainger. PLUS get free standard parcel shipping on all standard Grainger products. Farm Bureau number at time of purchase: 855922175. Visit grainger.com/farmbureau or call 800.472.4643 to update an existing Grainger account with the Farm Bureau number.

**Supervised Fuels**: Through an OFB partnership with Supervised Fuels, a division of Mid-Columbia Producers, Inc., qualified voting and supporting Farm Bureau members can get wholesale fuel pricing at Pacific Pride and CFN card-lock stations statewide. A form must be completed to verify eligibility. Find it at oregonfb.org. For more info, email support@supervisedfuels.com or call 541.330.8356.

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Your membership number is the nine-digit number starting with “3” located on your membership card and on the mailing label of the OFB Newsletter (for voting & supporting members) and the Oregon’s Bounty Farm Stand Guide and Calendar. Need your membership number or have questions about any benefit? Contact OFB at 800.334.6323, heather@oregonfb.org.

Benefits are subject to change without notice. Last updated 10/2021.
OFFICER NOMINATIONS

The positions of OFB 1st Vice President and 3rd Vice President will be voted on by the House of Delegates on December 8 during the 90th OFB Convention in Hood River, Oregon.

The following nominations have been received as of press time:

> **1st Vice President:** incumbent Brian Glaser of Linn County
> **3rd Vice President:** incumbent John Zielinski of Marion County and Jacque Duyck Jones of Washington County.

To make a nomination, contact any member of the OFB Nominating Committee listed below. Nominations may also be made from the floor of the OFB House of Delegates.

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CONGRATULATIONS TO COUNTY FARM BUREAUS

Special congratulations to the amazing County Farm Bureaus who achieved their local membership goals for the year! #FarmBureauProud

Benton, Columbia, Coos-Curry, Crook-Wheeler, Deschutes, Douglas, Grant, Hood River, Jefferson, Josephine, Lane, Linn, Marion, Polk, Sherman, Tillamook, Umatilla-Morrow, Union, & Yamhill.

OFB ANNUAL CONVENTION NOTES

Join the Farm Bureau family beginning at 3:00 pm on Tuesday, December 6 in Hood River as we kick off the 90th OFB Annual Convention with a public policy Year in Review & 2023 Legislative Session Preview presentation followed by a Mexican Fiesta Dinner & Entertainment presented by Hood River and YF&R!

Please make plans to join us for this time of fellowship with farmers and ranchers from all parts of the state.

The convention itself, which will include workshops, guest speakers, and OFB policy development, will be held December 6-8 at the Best Western Hood River Inn in Hood River, Oregon. Lodging reservations must be made on November 7 and meal registrations are due November 15. Learn how to register for both lodging and meals at OregonFB.org/Convention.

The convention agenda is also posted on the website. For more information about the event, contact Tiffany Nino at Tiffany@OregonFB.org, 503-399-1701. Hope to see you there!

Calendar

**Monthly Briefing**

- **November 18:** 7:00 am on Zoom. Please see OregonFB.org/monthlybriefing to tune in.

**Annual Convention**

- **December 6-8:** The Best Western Hood River Inn. Contact Tiffany Nino at Tiffany@OregonFB.org

**Monthly Briefing**

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