



MEDIA ADVISORY

Farm Credit to Recognize Century of Service at Washington, D.C. Events

Washington – June 14, 2016 – [Farm Credit](#) will hold a series of events in Washington, D.C. to recognize their 100th anniversary of providing reliable, consistent credit to agriculture and rural communities across America. Two Congressional panels, a celebration of local foods and the Farm Credit 100 Fresh Perspectives luncheon will focus on recognizing the men and women who are creating a vibrant future for agriculture and rural communities.

The events are scheduled for June 15 - 16, 2016. Photo and interview opportunities with congressional representatives, Farm Credit executives, farmers, ranchers and rural leaders, and Farm Credit 100 Fresh Perspectives honorees will be available. More details are provided below.

Wednesday, June 15:

House Rural Infrastructure Panel Discussion

1:30-3:00 p.m., 2168 Rayburn House Office Building, Gold Room

The panel, presented in collaboration with Rep. Austin Scott (R-GA), and Rep. David Scott (D-GA), Chairman and Ranking Member, respectively, of the Commodity Exchanges, Energy and Credit Subcommittee, will address the critical needs of rural communities and agriculture for clean water, efficient energy, sufficient healthcare facilities and modern telecommunications services. The panel will be moderated by Bob Engel, CEO of CoBank.

Farm Credit 100 Reception

6:00-7:30 p.m., Library of Congress, Madison Building, Montpelier Room, 6th Floor

A Congressional Reception with special guests House Agriculture Committee Chairman Mike Conaway (R-TX), Ranking Member Collin Peterson (D-MN), Senate Agriculture Committee Chairman Pat Roberts (R-KS), and Ranking Member Debbie Stabenow (D-MI). The reception will feature a pop up Farmer's Market with local products from across the U.S. provided by Farm Credit customers, as well as Farm Credit 100 Fresh Perspectives honorees.

Thursday, June 16:

Senate Future of Agriculture Panel Discussion

10:00-11:30 a.m., 902 Hart Senate Office Building

Hosted by Sen. Pat Roberts (R-KS) and Sen. Debbie Stabenow (D-MI), Chairman and Ranking Member, respectively, of the Senate Agriculture Committee, this panel will feature a discussion among young and beginning farmers who will discuss services, opportunities and programs that help their businesses, and provide a general outlook for young and beginning producers. An essential discussion about the future of agriculture, led by moderator Peyton Fair from Farm Credit, Mid America.

Farm Credit Fresh Perspectives Honoree Luncheon
12:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m., Hyatt Regency Capitol Hill, 400 New Jersey Ave. NW

Join Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack who will speak at a luncheon celebrating the Farm Credit 100 Fresh Perspectives honorees. Secretary Vilsack will present a Presidential Message to Farm Credit recognizing the organization's Centennial. Former chair of the House Committee on Agriculture, Rep. Frank Lucas will also speak. Many of the Farm Credit 100 Fresh Perspectives leaders and visionaries will be on hand – including the top 10 – as they are honored for their roles in creating a vibrant future for agriculture and rural America through their dedication and innovation. The proceedings can be viewed via livestream at <http://fedstreaming.com/FarmCredit100>.

About Farm Credit

Farm Credit supports rural communities and agriculture with reliable, consistent credit and financial services, today and tomorrow. Farm Credit has been fulfilling its mission of helping rural America grow and thrive for a century by providing farmers with the capital they need to make their businesses successful and by financing vital infrastructure and communication services. For more information about Farm Credit please visit www.farmcredit.com.

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