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Subject: AGN – LFAC Chair Responsibilities for CY 2025

Purpose. The purpose of this bulletin is to inform the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) employees that the Local Food and Agriculture Council (LFAC) Chair for calendar year (CY) 2025 is NRCS.

Expiration Date. September 30, 2025.

Background. Each year, administrative and operational responsibilities of the National Food and Agriculture Council (NFAC) are transferred to one of three Department of Agriculture Service Center agencies. For CY 2025, the NFAC Chair and associated responsibilities have rotated to NRCS.

In similar fashion, the State Food and Agriculture Council (SFAC) will be chaired by the State Conservationist, and the LFACs will be chaired by the NRCS District Conservationist.

Explanation. As a member of the LFAC, responsibilities include but are not limited to:

- Participating in discussions with co-located USDA agencies on office closure decisions.
- Assisting with and ensuring that emergency drills are conducted twice a year.
- Participating in quarterly LFAC meetings, in accordance with the SFAC Handbook, or meetings for any other situation that requires input and coordination from all Service Center Agencies.
- Reviewing and updating the Emergency Preparedness and Response Plan with co-located USDA agencies on an annual basis.

Leasing issues and questions should be sent to Business Services Specialist, Brian Schmidt, at Brian.Schmidt@usda.gov through the appropriate Leadership Team Member.

Contact. Please forward any questions about your LFAC duties to Assistant State Conservationist for Management and Strategy, Amy Fischer, at Amy.Fischer@usda.gov.

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