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Trump Administration Appoints Thomas Dayley to Serve as State Executive Director for USDA's Farm Service Agency in Idaho

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April 29, 2019 — The Trump administration recently appointed Thomas Dayley as the new State Executive Director for USDA's Farm Service Agency (FSA) in Idaho. Dayley began his duties today.

Prior to his appointment, Dayley was an Idaho State Representative since 2012. He is a U.S. Air Force veteran and a fifth generation Idahoan. Dayley earned a master's degree in international relations from the University of Southern California in Oxford, England, and has a bachelor's degree in political science and Spanish from Brigham Young University.

FSA serves farmers, ranchers and agricultural partners through the delivery of effective, efficient agricultural programs. The agency offers farmers a strong safety net through the administration of farm commodity and disaster programs. FSA continues to conserve natural resources and provides credit to agricultural producers who are unable to receive private, commercial credit, including special emphasis on beginning, underserved and women farmers and ranchers.

Under the direction of Secretary Sonny Perdue, the USDA will always be facts-based and data-driven, with a decision-making mindset that is customer-focused. Secretary Perdue leads the USDA with four guiding principles: maximize the ability of American agriculture to create jobs, sell foods and fiber and feed and clothe the world; prioritize customer service for the taxpayers; ensure that our food supply is safe and secure; and maintain good stewardship of the natural resources that provide us with our miraculous bounty. Understanding that we live in a global economy where trade is of top importance, Secretary Perdue has pledged to be an unapologetic advocate for American agriculture.

As State Executive Director, Dayley will use his leadership experience to oversee FSA programs in Idaho in a customer-focused manner to ensure a safe, affordable, abundant and nutritious food supply for consumers.

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