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Public Notice of Election

<u>Public notice to farm owners and operators in Hunterdon and Somerset</u> <u>counties.</u>

The County Committee election for Local Administrative Areas (LAA) #3 and LAA #4 will be held this year on December 5, 2024. Starting June 17, 2024, eligible voters have the right to nominate candidate(s) of their choice. Nomination forms may be obtained at the Frenchtown FSA Office (687 Pittstown Rd, Suite 2, Frenchtown NJ 08825, Tel.: 908-782-4614 ext. 2.)

Each form submitted must be:

- limited to one nominee.
- signed by the nominee, indicating willingness to serve if elected.
- postmarked or delivered to the County FSA Office no later than August 1, 2024

The FSA Committee consists of five people. One person will be elected from each LAA up for election for a three-year term.

LAA 3 consists of the following townships: Delaware, East Amwell, and West Amwell in Hunterdon County. LAA 4 consists of the following townships: Readington and Tewksbury Townships in Hunterdon County; Bedminster, Bernards, Branchburg, and Bridgewater Townships in Somerset County; and all townships in Union County.

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

The duties of County FSA Committee members include:

- Informing farmers and ranchers of the purpose and provisions of FSA programs.
- Participating in county meetings as necessary.
- Keeping the State FSA Committee informed of LAA conditions.
- Performing other duties as assigned by the State FSA Committee
- Recommending needed changes in farm programs.

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