AGRICULTURAL POLICY UPDATE

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This presentation will provide a first look at the major policy changes in the newly passed Farm Bill. The presentation will focus mostly on commodity support programs such as ARC, PLC and crop insurance, as well as conservation programs (CRP and EQIP). The goal will be to help farmers, crop consultants, and other agricultural professionals become aware of the available options under the new Farm Bill, what to expect in terms of income support, and recommendations of how to evaluate and use these options.

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