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The Obama Administration today announced that Daniel Consenstein will serve as Alaska State Executive Director for the Farm Service Agency at the USDA.

"Daniel Consenstein has a solid understanding of the challenges and opportunities facing our rural communities and will help build on the Obama Administration's efforts to rebuild and revitalize rural America," said Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack.

Daniel Consenstein most recently served as the Chief Operating Officer at Renewable Resources Coalition in Anchorage where he increased awareness among Alaskans about the importance of protecting fish and wildlife habitat. He was the Executive Director at Trustees for Alaska, a nonprofit that emphasized building relationships with Alaskan rural communities while working on public land issues for national parks, forests and wildlife refuges. During his time at the U.S. Department of the Interior as Deputy Director for Legislative and Intergovernmental Affairs, he worked with issues affecting Pacific Northwest, Alaska and Indian Tribes. Consenstein has served as an environmental consultant and is an expert on natural resource policy. He holds a Master of Public Administration from Harvard University and completed coursework in economics at the University of Alaska, Juneau.