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# News Release

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## **Andrew Huey and Darren Metzger Selected as Farm Loan Specialists**

COLUMBUS, Ohio – October 27, 2015 -- State Executive Director for the Ohio Farm Service Agency (FSA), Steve Maurer, announced that Andrew Huey and Darren Metzger were selected as Farm Loan Specialists at the Ohio FSA State Office, effective Oct. 19. Huey and Metzger are responsible for administering loan making and loan servicing actions for FSA's Direct and Guaranteed Loan programs. They will also provide technical advice and assistance to county office farm loan staff as well as provide guidelines and procedures used throughout the state.

Huey graduated from The Ohio State University with a Bachelor of Science degree in agricultural economics in 1988 and began his career with the Farmers Home Administration (FmHA) as an Assistant County Supervisor. He provided loan making and servicing for farm loan and rural housing programs initially in the London, Ohio, office before relocating to Bellefontaine in 1992. After transferring to FSA in 1995, Huey served as a Farm Loan Officer for the Bellefontaine farm loan regional area where he provided loan making, servicing, and supervised loans.

Huey and his wife Kathy have four grown children and one grandchild. In his spare time, Huey enjoys cooking, trivia, working around his house, attending auctions, and watching the Buckeyes. He also participates in pre-1840 rendezvous and re-enactments, and was recently named to the board of officers for the National Rendezvous and Living History Foundation.

Metzger earned his Bachelor of Science degree in agricultural mechanization and systems and minor in agriculture economics from The Ohio State University in 1982. In 1983, Metzger started his career with FmHA, as an Assistant County Supervisor in London, Ohio, and later became County Supervisor in Bellefontaine in 1985. He managed and implemented farm loan and rural housing programs. In 1986, he relocated to Lancaster and served as the County Supervisor for a three-county area. After transferring to FSA in 1995, he served as a Farm Loan Manager for the Washington Court House farm loan regional area which covered six counties. Metzger also serves as the Ohio Farm Business Plan Coordinator for FSA.

Metzger has been an active member of the National Association of Credit Specialists (NACS) for 30 years consulting with FSA management to improve delivery of farm loan programs to farmers and ranchers nationwide. He served as NACS National President in 2006-2007.

Metzger and his wife Susan reside on a farm near Williamsport where he is active in his family's grain farm operation. Susan is a teacher specializing in ag-science, plant production and horticulture. They have two grown sons, Andrew and Blake. Andrew is an Operations Supervisor for Cargill in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Blake is pursuing a degree in agriculture systems management at The Ohio State University. Metzger is active in his community serving as treasurer of the Westfall Education Foundation Board and secretary of his Township Zoning Appeals Board.

Huey and Metzger look forward to providing FSA farm loan assistance and support to Ohio farmers and FSA employees.