

Oregon Farm Bureau Federation

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## **Barry Bushue re-elected Vice President of American Farm Bureau Federation**

On January 11, Oregon Farm Bureau President Barry Bushue was unanimously re-elected to a third two-year term as Vice President of the American Farm Bureau Federation by delegates attending the national organization's 93rd annual meeting in Honolulu.

Bushue, who was initially elected as AFBF Vice President in 2008, also previously served on the AFBF Board of Directors for six years.

And in December 2011, Bushue was re-elected to a seventh two-year term as Oregon Farm Bureau President during OFB's 79<sup>th</sup> annual meeting in Pendleton.

"I am passionate about Farm Bureau, its effective grassroots structure, its democratic and deliberate policy process, and the work it does to advocate for family farmers and ranchers at the local, state, and national levels," Bushue told Farm Bureau delegates from around the country. "It is my honor and privilege to serve such an outstanding organization toward the goal of promoting, protecting, and strengthening American agriculture."

Bushue operates a family nursery, berry, and flowering basket operation near Boring and is a member of the Multnomah County Farm Bureau.

Bob Stallman, President of the American Farm Bureau Federation, also was re-elected to another two-year term at the national convention in Honolulu. This will be the seventh two-year term as AFBF President for Stallman, a rice and cattle producer from Columbus, Texas.

[Attached is a photo of OFB President and AFBF Vice President Barry Bushue.]

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The state's largest general farm organization, Oregon Farm Bureau (OFB) is a voluntary, grassroots, nonpartisan, nonprofit organization representing the interests of the state's farmers and ranchers in the public and policymaking arenas.

First established in Oregon in 1919, Farm Bureau is organized in all 36 counties and has more than 8,000 member families that are professionally engaged in agriculture. Barry Bushue, an east Multnomah County berry and nursery stock producer, is OFB's 15th President.