

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

Department of Agriculture Farm and Ranch Stress Assistance Network

To: Ways and Means Full Committee
From: Natural Resources Subcommittee
Carrier: Senator Frederick

On June 2nd, the Natural Resources Subcommittee recommended approval of the submission of a federal grant application from the Department of Agriculture to the U.S. Department of Agriculture in the amount of \$115,000 to fund stress assistance programs for the agricultural community.

The USDA's Farm and Ranch Stress Assistance Network provides grants to assist with funding for maintaining or expanding stress assistance programs for agricultural-related occupations. The funds from this grant would allow the Department of Agriculture to partner with Oregon State University's Extension Service to further develop a statewide network of resources along with additional outreach and education.

The grant application deadline is June 15th and there is no match requirement.

The Natural Resources Subcommittee recommends approval.