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NASDA Congratulates Stephen Vaden on Confirmation as USDA Deputy Secretary

ARLINGTON, Va. — The National Association of State Departments of Agriculture congratulates Stephen Vaden on his confirmation as the next Deputy Secretary of Agriculture. On behalf of state departments of agriculture, NASDA CEO Ted McKinney released the following statement:

"Deputy Secretary Vaden's experience, demonstrated leadership within USDA and commitment to U.S. agriculture make him well-qualified to serve in this critical leadership role at USDA to address current challenges and opportunities in agriculture. We are confident that Deputy Secretary Vaden's leadership alongside Secretary Brooke Rollins will ensure USDA remains a strong advocate for farmers, ranchers, agribusinesses and rural communities.

We look forward to working with Deputy Secretary Vaden to continue advancing U.S. agriculture and helping ensure a safe, abundant food supply for all."

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