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Scott Marlow is the Deputy Administrator for Farm Programs at USDA's Farm Service Agency (FSA). He oversees management of FSA's disaster assistance, conservation, safety net and price

support programs, which play a critical role in the operations of America's farmers and ranchers.

Before joining FSA, he most recently served as the founder and CEO of Long Rows Consulting, where he provided analysis of risk management, credit, and disaster assistance programs including the role of risk management programs in credit access and their combined effect on conservation and climate change. He also facilitated policy development processes for agricultural organizations and provided training for farm services organizations on working with farmers in financial crisis and addressing the mental health impacts of farm transitions.

Marlow has spent 10 years as an operator on farm crisis hotlines, providing financial counseling and services referrals for farm families in crisis. He also served in multiple positions with the Rural Advancement Foundation International

(RAFI), where he focused on building coalitions, farm policy, farm credit, and disaster response initiatives.

Marlow is from North Carolina, graduating with a Bachelor of Science degree from Duke University and a Masters of Crop Science from North Carolina State University. He lives with his wife, J.J., and two cats, and is the proud father of two grown daughters.