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## **USDA to Survey Farmers' Planting Intentions for 2025**

**Baton Rouge, Louisiana** – As the 2025 crop production season begins, the U.S. Department of Agriculture's (USDA) National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) will contact producers nationwide to determine their plans for the upcoming growing season.

"Each spring, the agriculture industry anticipates USDA's *Prospective Plantings* report, which provides initial survey-based estimates of U.S. farmers' planting intentions for the year," said NASS Louisiana State Statistician Kathy Broussard. "The March Agricultural Survey provides the data that underpin projections, making it one of the most important surveys we conduct each year."

NASS will mail the March Agricultural Survey to approximately 1,100 Louisiana producers on February 18. The survey asks producers to provide information about the types of crops they intend to plant in 2025, how many acres they intend to plant, and the amounts of grain and oilseed stored on their farms. Producers can respond online at agcounts.usda.gov or by mail. Those who do not respond by February 27 may be emailed a reminder or contacted for an interview by a local NASS representative from the National Association of State Departments of Agriculture (NASDA).

In accordance with federal law, NASS keeps responses confidential and publishes data in aggregate form only, ensuring that no individual operation or producer can be identified. The data will be published in the *Prospective Plantings*, *Grain Stocks*, and *Rice Stocks* reports on Monday, March 31, 2025. These and all NASS reports are available online at <a href="https://www.nass.usda.gov/Publications">www.nass.usda.gov/Publications</a>. For more information, call the NASS Delta Regional Field Office at (800) 327-2970.

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