



DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
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Dear Friend:

Each year the goal of the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service (ASCS), an agency of the U. S. Department of Agriculture, has been to ensure that every eligible farm voter, whether white or non-white, has free and equal opportunity to cast a ballot for the candidates of his or her choice in local community ASCS elections.

This year, as in previous years, changes in election procedures have been made in an attempt to guarantee democratic ASCS elections. Because these changes are of the utmost importance to you and your organization, we want to inform you of them before the 1967 elections get underway. Incidentally, elections will be held simultaneously in all counties nationally this year during the third week of September (18-22).

Enclosed for your information is a brochure, "Vote for Farmers of Your Choice." I hope you will disseminate its information widely. Additional copies of the brochure are available on request.

We pledge ourselves to increased efforts in this area of procedural changes to secure and maintain the right of all farmers to participate fully and freely in elections. Should you require additional information, contact your local ASCS County Office Manager.

Your comments on these actions are invited.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "William M. Seabron".

William M. Seabron  
Assistant to the Secretary

Enclosure