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## **Bushue reelected to AFBF Board of Directors**

During the 87<sup>th</sup> American Farm Bureau Federation Convention in Nashville, Tenn., Jan. 8-11, Oregon Farm Bureau President and Multnomah County farmer Barry Bushue was reelected by the national Farm Bureau House of Delegates to serve as one of five Western Region Representatives on the AFBF Board of Directors.

This is the start of Bushue's third two-year term on the AFBF Board.

Bushue was also appointed by AFBF President Bob Stallman to serve as a member of the Executive Committee of the American Farm Bureau Board of Directors. One representative from each of the four national regions is selected to serve on this committee.

"Agriculture producers face many challenges, and it is critical that we are unified as an industry to ensure that our voice is heard in Washington D.C.," says Bushue. "Farm Bureau searches for positive solutions to the problems of family farmers and ranchers through the implementation of our policies at the U.S. legislature.

"As an AFBF Board member, my job is to represent the issues of importance to the west, such as water, public grazing lands, immigration, and specialty crops. My goal is to bring those concerns to the table and include them in national discussions regarding the agriculture industry."

During the 2005 OFB State Convention held in Newport, Ore., in December, Bushue was also reelected to a fourth two-year term as president of the Oregon Farm Bureau. Bushue is OFB's 15<sup>th</sup> president.

Bushue is a member of Multnomah County Farm Bureau and runs a family nursery, berry, and flowering basket operation near Boring.

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