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## **Katie Fast promoted to OFB Director of Governmental Affairs**

Oregon Farm Bureau is pleased to announce that Katie Fast has been promoted to the position of OFB Director of Governmental Affairs at its office in Salem.

Fast has served as an Associate Director of Governmental Affairs with Farm Bureau since 2003. As OFB's lead lobbyist, Fast will oversee legislative activities for the organization and will coordinate OFB's participation in elections and OFB Political Action Committee activities. Fast specializes in legislative issues and regulations dealing with water, energy, pesticides, and wildlife issues.

"It is an honor to represent an organization that values entrepreneurialism, nature, and the importance of family," said Fast. "I am also very excited to work with one of the best Government Affairs teams in Oregon. Even in my expanded role, we will continue to defend agriculture practices, so Oregon Farm Bureau members can concentrate on what they do best: providing the best food and fiber for the world."

Fast grew up and worked on her family's Thoroughbred and cattle operation outside Olympia, WA. She graduated from Oregon State University with Bachelor of Science in Animal Sciences and a minor in Agricultural Business Management.

Prior to working for OFB, Fast served as the Director of Government Affairs for the Oregon Cattlemen's Association. Fast is also a graduate of Leadership Oregon Institute, which develops the leadership qualities of individuals involved in Natural Resource industries.

Fast lives with her husband, Kirk, and daughter, Julia, on a farm in Perrydale, Oregon.

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In 2007, Oregon Farm Bureau celebrated its 75th Anniversary as the state's largest general agriculture organization. Farm Bureau has more than 8,000 member families professionally engaged in agriculture in all 36 Oregon counties.

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