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AFBF SUBMITS REGULATORY REFORM PRIORITIES

Audio with Paul Schlegel, AFBF's Director of Environment and Energy Policy

AFBF used comments from Farm Bureau members to submit suggestions for regulatory reform to USDA as part of the agency's efforts to implement the president's regulatory reform agenda. Paul Schlegel, AFBF's Director of Environment and Energy Policy, says overregulation by federal agencies is burdensome to all of agriculture...tape

Cut #1 _____ :15 OC:... "place everywhere."

USDA will continue to accept comments over the next year. Schlegel says this is a good opportunity to ease the overregulation burden on farmers and ranchers...tape

Cut #3 _____ :15 OC:... "some changes."

Kern County Tops 2016 Ag Production

Taking the top spot for the first time this year is especially meaningful for an area in which one in five jobs is directly or indirectly linked to agriculture. When the region's ag industry thrives, the entire community is impacted by that success.

Wineries Hoping for End to Wildfires

California has the highest number of wineries in the U.S., followed by Oregon and Washington. The industry collectively brings in over \$5 billion to the Pacific Northwest every year. The effects of wildfires have been the subject of discussion at several meetings held by wine grape growers, who are hoping for a way to protect their crops.