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## **EPA Administrator Pruitt Visits Kentucky Meets with Farmers and State Officials**

**Louisville, Ky. (November 30, 2017)** – Today, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Administrator Scott Pruitt visited Kentucky to address members of the Kentucky Farm Bureau Federation and meet with Governor Matt Bevin and members of his cabinet to discuss ways to strengthen the Agency's partnership with the state.

"Farmers and ranchers are some of the nation's first environmentalists," **said EPA Administrator Scott Pruitt**. "We should be working with them, as partners, to conserve our natural resources – while continuing to support and grow our local economies."

While meeting with the Kentucky Farm Bureau, Administrator Pruitt discussed a variety of environmental issues. The topics included EPA's recent proposal to rescind the 2015 "Waters of the United States" (WOTUS) rule to help ensure regulatory certainty for America's farmers and landowners and prioritize keeping America's water clean. He also discussed the Agency's new requirements on the pesticide dicamba that will allow farmers to make informed choices for seed purchases for the upcoming 2018 growing season and minimize potential drift to damage neighboring crops.

Following the farm bureau meeting, the Administrator joined Kentucky Governor Bevin and some of his cabinet officials for a working lunch.

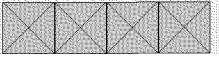
"America is blessed to have a public servant like EPA Administrator Scott Pruitt, who works diligently to be a good steward of the earth and protect America's working class," **said Governor Matt Bevin**. "His time spent with local, state and federal officials to enact thoughtful environmental regulations has been extraordinary, and we are thankful for his leadership."

"We appreciate the EPA Administrator visiting our annual meeting to listen to farmers about their conservation efforts and concerns related to their operations," **said Kentucky Farm Bureau President Mark Haney**. "Administrator Pruitt, a fellow Kentuckian, knows the hard work our farmers put in on a daily basis to keep our farms financially and environmentally sustainable."

EPA Administrator Scott Pruitt addresses members of the Kentucky Farm Bureau.

EPA Administrator Scott Pruitt meets with Kentucky Governor Matt Bevin and members of his cabinet.

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