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Good afternoon APAS members – visit https://bit.ly/3J4shzU to watch this week's short APAS Update video.

- 1. Canadian Federation of Agriculture AGM: APAS Directors, staff, and Youth Leadership and Mentorship Program mentees attended the Canadian Federation of Agriculture's AGM in Ottawa last week. We held meetings with Marie-Claude Bibeau (federal Minister of Agriculture), John Barlow (federal Conservative Agriculture Critic), and Michael Hoffort (CEO of FCC) while we were there, among others. APAS put forward 5 policy resolutions for discussion and voting at the AGM, including resolutions on the Livestock Tax Deferral program, water infrastructure funding, and market development programs.
- 2. Todd Lewis elected CFA Vice-President: Also at the CFA AGM, Todd Lewis (APAS Past President) was elected as the 2nd Vice-President of CFA for another term. Todd has been on the CFA Board for the last five years, and also served as acting 2nd Vice-President last year. Visit https://bit.ly/3hVqO31 to read our press release on Todd's re-election.
- 3. Draft NPF Task Force recommendations: The APAS NPF Task Force has completed the first phase of its work and is looking for producer feedback on potential changes to business risk management programs, such as Agrilnvest, AgriStability, and Agrilnsurance, as well as federal trade and research programs. The Task Force recently released a survey to gather feedback on 19 draft recommendations, covering six program areas. Visit https://bit.ly/3KAGt44 for our survey press release, go to

https://bit.ly/3I8xDZK for the 19 draft recommendations, and then complete the survey at https://bit.ly/3CvS01w.

- 4. APAS submission to the CGC: On February 28, APAS made a submission to the Canadian Grain Commission as they conduct a review of the "subject to inspector's grade and dockage" provision. Visit https://bit.ly/37qeLsx to read our submission.
- <u>5. APAS booth at SARM Convention</u>: APAS will have a booth at the SARM Convention trade show on March 15 and 16, so stop by and visit with Brent and I if you're there.
- 6. FCC Young Farmer Summit: FCC is holding their Young Farmer Summit on March 22. This free, virtual event is for people under 40 who are involved in agriculture. The Summit schedule includes numerous engaging speakers, so visit https://bit.ly/3sZfrx1 to read the speaker bios and register.
- <u>7. APAS updates for RM Councils</u>: Let me know if you need APAS update materials for your RM Council meeting, or if you'd like APAS staff or Directors to come discuss our projects and advocacy work.

You'll get the next APAS Update on March 17 – just call or email if you have any questions in the meantime.

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