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Subject: RE: Gov comment on Farmers/agriculture

Thanks, Chaney. Appreciate it.

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From: Adams, Chaney [mailto:ChaneyAdams@gov.sc.gov]
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Quote from Haley press secretary Chaney Adams, "Agriculture is the number one industry in South Carolina, and there has never been a time since taking office when Governor Haley did not stand with our farmers - and she stands with them today. The historic flood that hit South Carolina in October damaged businesses and homes across our state, and farmers were not spared.

"Fortunately for our farmers however, and different than most other industries, they have access to federally subsidized crop insurance and lost revenue insurance. The governor, after talking with agriculture experts, understands that the best thing we can do for farmers right now is expedite those insurance claims, which is why she has demanded that the USDA speed up those payments - she had a call with the White House on this very issue today.

"But what the Farm Bureau has asked for is direct cash payments from the federal government to farmers who chose to be under-insured, something that no other industry in the state is asking for or will be receiving, and the governor does not believe we should treat farmers differently than any other business owners in South Carolina."

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From: Koh, Joyce [mailto:jkoh@wltx.com]
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Hey Chaney,

I'm at this senate subcommittee meeting on flood relief efforts. The department of agriculture and the farm bureau have asked the committee to ask the governor to request federal assistance for flood damage loss to farms. Commissioner Weathers said the governor didn't include agriculture in her request to the congressional district because she said farms were not unlike other small businesses.

Did the governor have any additional comments on this? Is she considering requesting federal assistance for the loss to farmers in the state?

Thanks,

Joyce

Sent from my iPhone