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**Who:** Commissioner of Agriculture and Commerce Andy Gipson  
**What:** Press Conference Discussing Initial F.A.R.M. Plan Meeting  
**When:** Wednesday, September 3, 2025; 1:00 p.m.  
**Where:** Mississippi Department of Agriculture and Commerce  
121 N Jefferson Street, Jackson, MS 39201

## **Ag Commissioner Andy Gipson to Discuss Details Following Initial F.A.R.M. Plan Meeting**

**JACKSON, Miss.** – Commissioner of Agriculture and Commerce Andy Gipson invites the media to attend a press conference discussing plans for developing the Future of Agriculture Resiliency for Mississippi (F.A.R.M.) Strategic Plan. The press conference will take place immediately following the initial meeting of the newly appointed Council on Wednesday, September 3, at 1:00 p.m. in the conference room of the Mississippi Department of Agriculture and Commerce headquarters in Jackson.

During the press conference, Commissioner Gipson will provide an overview of the Council's meeting, highlight key issues to be addressed in the Strategic Plan, and outline plans for upcoming regional stakeholder roundtable discussions to be held across the state. The finalized Strategic Plan is expected to be presented by December 2026.

The F.A.R.M. Plan will address critical challenges farmers, and the agriculture industry, are facing. The F.A.R.M. Plan, recently established by Commissioner Gipson to strengthen Mississippi's agriculture industry, will focus on locally driven policies and action items that will support producers, strengthen markets, protect resources and improve quality of life in rural Mississippi communities. The F.A.R.M. Plan Council is made up of select agricultural leaders from both the public and private sectors — including farmers, ag organizations, policymakers, industry representatives, researchers, educators and government officials.

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