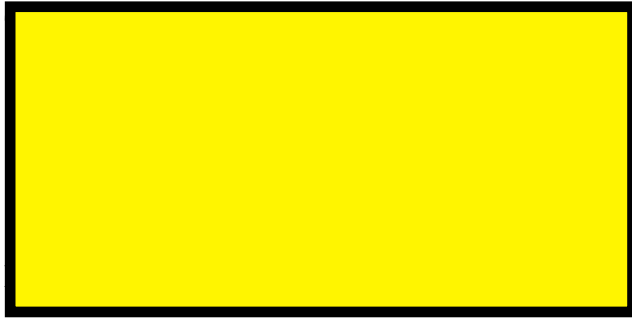




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Thank you for your August 7, 2025, letter in which you call attention to the activities of the Department of Government Efficiency (DOGE) at the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Farm Service Agency (FSA). I appreciate your advocacy for farmers, ranchers, and constituents who rely on USDA programs and services to be safe and secure.

Secretary Rollins has hired people at USDA who are dedicated to finding and resolving inefficiencies. Their charge is simple, to help refocus FSA and USDA as a whole on its core mission of serving the American people. All personnel with access to USDA systems are Department employees, meaning no external entities have access to USDA employee information or any personal or proprietary information. Leadership and employees strictly follow the *Federal Information Security Modernization Act* and the National Institute of Standards and Technology guidelines. As required by law, the Department has implemented continuous monitoring and login access to all USDA systems. All efficiency employees have undergone an extensive background and security clearance.

Again, thank you for your letter. If you have further questions or concerns, please have a member of your staff contact USDA's Office of Congressional Relations at (202) 720-7095 or ocr@usda.gov. A copy of this letter has been sent to your colleagues.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "William L. Beam".

William L. Beam
Administrator