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USDA Announces New Presidential Appointee to Serve Rural New Hampshire and Vermont

State Director Patrick Suprunowicz Brings Housing Industry Expertise, Experience to Role as Agency Lead

CONCORD, NH, May 6th, 2025—U.S. Secretary of Agriculture Brooke Rollins <u>announced</u> <u>Patrick Suprunowicz</u> is appointed by President Donald Trump to serve as the USDA Rural Development State Director for New Hampshire and Vermont. Director Suprunowicz will implement President Trump's America First agenda at USDA Rural Development, ensuring the needs of America's farmers, ranchers, and producers remain a top priority.

"When America's farming communities prosper, the entire nation thrives. This new group of USDA appointees will ensure President Trump's America First agenda is a reality in rural areas across the country. I am grateful for the leadership of these new state directors and look forward to their work reorienting the agency to put Farmers First again," said Secretary Rollins.

"President Trump made a commitment to the American People to put them first," **said State Director Suprunowicz**. "The residents of these rural towns came out in record numbers to put him back in The White House. Under his administration, the Rural American Towns that built this country will get the attention and support they need. We need to cut through the bureaucratic red tape that hamstrings us from serving our citizens. Our government is of the people, by the people and for the people. It's time that we start taking care of *our* people. Secretary Rollins has already made incredible progress in these early days of the Administration, and my office is committed to meeting her speed and efficiency. Rural New Hampshire is what made me the person I am today, and it is an honor to serve the great people of the Twin States."

Raised in the White Mountains of New Hampshire, Suprunowicz comes from the private sector in property management group and residential services, where he led teams focused on improving housing quality and property management systems.

State Directors serve as the Chief Executive Officer of USDA Rural Development in the states and territories and are tasked with leading teams to carry out the mission of Rural Development to the benefit of all rural Americans. In conjunction with the guidance and support of the National Office, State Directors are responsible for advancing the key priorities and initiatives of the Presidential Administration, the Secretary of Agriculture and the Deputy Under Secretary for Rural Development. State Directors also provide key leadership to foster a mission-driven, accountable, and high-performing workforce focused on operational excellence, public trust, and responsible stewardship of taxpayer resources.

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