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To: Cotton Industry Members

From: Gary Adams, NCC President & CEO

Sign-up for the 2018 Farm Bill has begun. The National Cotton Council staff will conduct 2018 Farm Bill education webinars later this month as follows:

Thursday, September 19, 8:00 am
Wednesday, September 25, 8:00 am

Monday, September 23, 8:00 am
Thursday, September 26, 10:00 am

All times are Central. All cotton industry members and other interested parties are invited to participate. Organizations or individuals are encouraged to relay this information to their respective financial institutions and other agri-businesses. All webinars will cover the same information on Seed Cotton ARC/PLC election, 2019 and 2020 crop enrollment, marketing loan provisions, program eligibility provisions and the Economic Adjustment Assistance for Textile Mills (EAATM)

In addition to the webinars, the NCC continues to update its farm bill resources at <http://www.cotton.org/issues/2018/fminfo.cfm>. A list of frequently asked questions and answers will also be posted following the webinars along with a series of short YouTube videos focusing on specific provisions of the farm bill.

For this webinar, guests will need to use **Zoom** software. To connect, click <https://cotton.zoom.us/j/589146147>. (If this is your first experience with the Zoom software, you will be prompted to download the Zoom client). Please include your personal email address. Also, if you are hosting a group session, when prompted, please provide the number of participants. If you have difficulty joining the webinar, email Michelle Huffman at mhuffman@cotton.org or Shawn Boyd at sboyd@cotton.org for assistance.

Please note that all audio will be through your computer, tablet or smartphone as there is no conference line audio provided. Participants will be unable to verbally ask questions. All questions will be submitted electronically via Zoom client and answered orally by the presenter. An electronic version of the PowerPoint presentation will be available prior to the webinar at the Council's website in the 2018 Farm Bill portal (Members Only).

If you are organizing listening groups for the webinar suggested equipment is as follows:
Small Room/Conference Room with:

- Computer with HDMI or VGA out
- TV with HDMI connection
- Projector with screen if no monitor available
- Bluetooth Speaker/Soundbar. Available at most retailers, they have both Bluetooth and 1/8" audio connections. The soundbar will need to plug into outlet.
- Speakers for computer if soundbar is not practical. Suggest using the largest size desktop speakers available. Generally, they have 1/8" audio connection.

Larger Room with:

- Computer with HDMI or VGA output
- Projector with screen (minimum 6ft wide screen)
- Large Speakers rated for a big room/PA Speakers (may need RCA_1/4" to 1/8" adapter to plug into laptop)

We look forward to providing timely information regarding the 2018 cotton provisions and urge your participation. Any questions can be forwarded to the NCC office or your Member Services Representative.