

Vincent G. Logan, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer (CEO)  
Jeffery S. Hall, Board Member  
Glen R. Smith, Board Member



**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE  
FARM CREDIT ADMINISTRATION BOARD  
November 14, 2024**

These minutes reflect the business transacted at the November 14, 2024, regular meeting of the Farm Credit Administration (FCA) Board pursuant to the Government in the Sunshine Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552b, and the regulations of the FCA adopted thereunder.

The meeting was held at the FCA office in McLean, Virginia. The meeting began at 10:00 a.m. and concluded at 10:26 a.m. The meeting was a hybrid physical/virtual meeting.

Members of the Board present were:

**Vincent G. Logan, Chairman and CEO**  
**Jeffery S. Hall, Member**  
**Glen R. Smith, Member**

The above named constitute the full Board.

Others present included **Ashley Waldron**, Secretary to the Board; **David Grahn**, General Counsel; and staff of the FCA. There were eight members of the general public in attendance. (A list of Board and staff attendees is attached as Exhibit A.)

**Chairman Logan** called the meeting to order.

The **Secretary** addressed technical and protocol items and read a statement that announced the meeting would be conducted according to Government in the Sunshine Act requirements.

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

**Chairman Logan** reviewed the published agenda. (A copy of the Public Announcement publishing the agenda for the meeting is attached as Exhibit B.)

**Mr. Hall** moved to adopt the agenda as published.

**Mr. Smith** seconded the motion.

There being no further discussion, **Chairman Logan** called the question.

The **Secretary** polled the Board Members and the motion carried unanimously.

## **CONSIDERATION TO CLOSE PORTIONS OF THE MEETING**

**Mr. Smith** noted that the agenda did not include portions of the meeting that should be closed to the public as permitted by the Government in the Sunshine Act and therefore moved that the entire meeting remain open.

**Mr. Hall** seconded the motion.

There being no further discussion, **Chairman Logan** called the question.

The **Secretary** polled the Board Members and the motion carried unanimously.

## **OPEN SESSION**

### **Approval of Minutes**

**Minutes for October 10, 2024**

**(BM-14-NOV-24-01)**

**Mr. Hall** moved to approve the minutes for the October 10, 2024, FCA regular board meeting, as presented.

**Mr. Smith** seconded the motion.

There being no further discussion, **Chairman Logan** called the question.

The **Secretary** polled the Board Members and the motion carried unanimously. **(BM-14-NOV-24-01)**

(A copy of the official "Board Action Item" is attached as Exhibit C.)

## **Reports**

### **Report on Access to Capital in Indian Country**

**Tyler Fish** of the **Office of Equal Employment Opportunity and Inclusion** presented the Report on Access to Capital in Indian Country.

(A copy of the PowerPoint presentation is attached as Exhibit D.)

## **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Board, **Chairman Logan** indicated he would entertain a motion to adjourn the meeting.

**Mr. Smith** moved that the meeting be adjourned.

**Mr. Hall** seconded the motion.

There being no further discussion, **Chairman Logan** called the question.

The **Secretary** polled the Board Members and the motion carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 10:26 a.m.

### NOTATIONAL VOTE ACTIONS

There were three notational vote actions approved by the FCA Board from October 10, 2024, through November 13, 2024.

Item Number	Action Date	Voting Results	Subject
NV 24-20	10/16/2024	Approved	Compeer Financial, ACA Request to Renew its Streamlined Process to Invest in Health Care-related Community Facilities in Rural Areas
NV 24-21	10/23/2024	Approved	Personnel Action
NV 24-22	11/6/2024	Approved	FCS Building Association 2025 Budget Request

The undersigned hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are the official minutes of the regular meeting of the Farm Credit Administration Board held on November 14, 2024.

\_\_\_\_\_/s/  
Vincent G. Logan  
Chairman and CEO

\_\_\_\_\_/s/  
Ashley Waldron  
Secretary to the Board

Approved: December 12, 2024

**BOARD AND STAFF PRESENT AT THE  
FCA REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
November 14, 2024**

Vincent G. Logan, Chairman and CEO  
 Jeffery S. Hall, Board Member  
 Glen R. Smith, Board Member

<b>ATTENDEES</b>	<b>OPEN SESSION</b>
<b>Office of the Board</b>	
Logan, Vincent	X
Hall, Jeffery	X
Smith, Glen	X
Lund, Zachary	X
Gallegos, Luke	X
Donner, Mary Alice	X
Stokke, Michael	X
Greer, Kristin	X
Calhoun, Gaye	X
Lewandrowski, Barbara	X
Waldron, Ashley	X
<b>OCOS</b>	
Coleman, Robert	X
Scribner, Tyler	X
Cunningham, Lesley	X
<b>OEEOI</b>	
Burlew, Thais	X
Fish, Tyler	X
Major, Sara Lynn	X
<b>OIT</b>	
Versace, Jerry	X
Matos, Ricardo	X
Amaya, Victor	X
Rana, Ben	X
<b>OCPA</b>	
Yaghmour, Emily	X
Rezendes, Andrew	X
<b>OGC</b>	
Grahn, David	X
Griffin, Ward	X
<b>OE</b>	
Duffy, Mike	X
Fennewald, Dan	X
Greenlee, Angela	X
<b>ODAE</b>	
D'Antoni, Jeremy	X
Iannetta, Sal	X

<b>ATTENDEES</b>	<b>OPEN SESSION</b>
<b>OIG</b>	
Miller, Kevin	X
<b>OSMO</b>	
Fay, Thomas	X
Hudson, Bruce	X
<b>ORP</b>	
Kramp, Kevin	X
Agans, Autumn	X
<b>OCFO</b>	
Gandy, Doug	X
<b>OAS</b>	
Bell, Vonda	X
Clark, Patrina	X
Adkins, Byron	X
<b>GENERAL PUBLIC</b>	8

# Farm Credit Administration

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## **PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT OF MEETING SUBJECT TO THE GOVERNMENT IN THE SUNSHINE ACT**

### **Farm Credit Administration Board Regular Meeting November 14, 2024**

**TIME AND DATE:** 10 a.m., Thursday, November 14, 2024.

**PLACE:** You may observe this meeting in person at 1501 Farm Credit Drive, McLean, Virginia 22102-5090, or virtually. If you would like to observe, at least 24 hours in advance, visit [FCA.gov](http://FCA.gov), select "Newsroom," then select "Events." From there, access the linked "Instructions for board meeting visitors" and complete the described registration process.

**STATUS:** This meeting will be open to the public.

**MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:** The following matters will be considered:

- Approval of Minutes for October 10, 2024
- Report on Access to Capital in Indian Country

**CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION:** If you need more information or assistance for accessibility reasons, or have questions, contact Ashley Waldron, Secretary to the Board. Telephone: 703-883-4009. TTY: 703-883-4056.

\_\_\_\_\_/s/  
Ashley Waldron  
Secretary to the Board

October 31, 2024

# **Farm Credit Administration**

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## **BOARD ACTION ITEM**

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### **FCA BOARD ACTION ON**

#### **Minutes for October 10, 2024, Regular Board Meeting**

**BM-14-NOV-24-01**

**Effective Date:** November 14, 2024

**Impact on Prior Board Actions:** None

#### **THE FCA BOARD HEREBY:**

- Approves the minutes for the October 10, 2024, regular Board meeting, as presented.

**DATED THIS 14<sup>th</sup> DAY OF NOVEMBER 2024**

**BY ORDER OF THE BOARD**

\_\_\_\_\_/s/  
Ashley Waldron  
Secretary to the Board



# FCA Board Meeting November 2024

Exhibit D

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## Report on Indian Country Capital Access Initiative November 14, 2024



**Tyler Fish**  
**Sr. Advisor and Assistant to the Director**  
**OEEOI**





# Introduction



## ▶ Tyler Fish

- Muscogee (Creek) Nation / Cherokee Nation
- Juris doctor, University of Oklahoma
- Sr. Advisor and Assistant to the Director, OEEOI
- Subject Matter:
  - Federal Indian Law and Policy;
  - Trust and Natural Resources;
  - Tribal Governance;
  - Economic Development



# Indian Country Capital Access Initiative



## ► Purpose statement:

- Increase Awareness in Indian Country
- Support Mission Focus of a System Accessible to All Creditworthy Borrowers
- Importance:
  - Severely limited lending infrastructure in Indian Country
  - High demand for agricultural commodities and products in Indian Country
  - Tribal sovereignty and determination among native nations to pursue food sovereignty, sustainability, and economic independence



# Internal Collaborations and Support

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- ▶ The Office of the Chief of Staff
  - Outreach Support
- ▶ The Office of Regulatory Policy
  - Policy Support/Outreach Support
- ▶ The Office of Data Analytics and Economics
  - Collaborative Engagement Support





# External Collaborations

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- ▶ White House Council on Native American Affairs
- ▶ Minneapolis Federal Reserve - Center for Indian Country Development
- ▶ Intertribal Agriculture Council
- ▶ Native CDFI Network
- ▶ Native American Agriculture Fund
- ▶ Tribal Self Governance Communication and Education Consortium



# Action Items



- ▶ WHCNAA – Economic Development, Energy, & Infrastructure Committee
- ▶ NCN – Annual Policy & Capacity Building Summit
- ▶ NCAIED – Reservation Economic Summit
- ▶ NAAF – Indian Country Agriculture Underwriting Course
- ▶ TSGCEC – Tribal Self Governance Conference
- ▶ USET – SPF Impact Week
- ▶ IAC – Northwest Regional Summit; Technical Assistance Network



# Observations

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- ▶ Significant Challenge: Overcoming Unfamiliarity
- ▶ Solutions are Available for Many of the Common Financing Needs in Indian Country
- ▶ YBS Authority Can and Should Play a Prominent Role to Address Capital Access Needs in Indian Country





# YBS Authority



▶ Demographics and agriculture trends in Indian Country suggest many prospective borrowers will fit into YBS plans

- Small scale, regenerative models of agriculture are becoming more prominent
- Anecdotal suggest that startup capital is widely in demand
- Tribal and federal-supported youth-to-ag initiatives are being implemented nationwide





# Progress

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## ▶ System-led developments

- Infrastructure Focus - Electrification
- Increased hiring for positions designed to engage with tribal governments and tribal producers
- Increased interest in Mission Related Investments related to Indian Country







# Upcoming



- ▶ Continued Engagement with Indian Country Stakeholders
  - Intertribal Agriculture Council
  - White House Tribal Nations Summit
  - National Center for American Indian Enterprise Development
- ▶ Tribal Ag Departments
  - Increased engagement at specific tribal agriculture departments
- ▶ Symposium Fall 2025
  - Oklahoma State University



# Summary

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- ▶ Concluding Message on the System and Indian Country:
  - A Powerful Resource
  - Expanding Access
  - Building Familiarity





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