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**Special Guest USDA Secretary Tom Vilsack to Join NCAE Webinar “Unpacking  
USDA’s Farm Labor Stabilization and Protection Pilot Program”**

(Arlington, VA) The National Council of Agricultural Employers (NCAE) is pleased to announce a special installment of its educational webinar series focusing on the U.S. Department of Agriculture’s (USDA) new Farm Labor Stabilization and Protection Pilot Program (FLSP). The FLSP will award up to \$65 million in grants to support agricultural employers in implementing robust labor standards on farms and ranches while facilitating lawful migration pathways through the H-2A temporary worker program.

The webinar will be led by Julie Kurtz, an agricultural economist in the USDA’s Agricultural Marketing Service. USDA Secretary Tom Vilsack will make a special guest appearance to encourage agricultural employers to take part in the FLSP. The webinar will begin at 3:00 pm ET/12:00 pm PT on Tuesday, October 17, 2023.

“Agricultural employers are keen to learn more about the Farm Labor Stabilization and Protection Pilot Grant Program,” noted Michael Marsh, President and CEO of NCAE. “The webinar will cover and attempt to answer employer questions about the FLSP and how they might participate. NCAE is thrilled to host Secretary Vilsack on this important webinar. We

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encourage all agricultural employers to join us for this webinar to discover whether this Program might be a good opportunity for their operation.”

Registration for this important webinar is free, open to the public, and is available at [ncaeonline.org](http://ncaeonline.org). Marsh noted, “Our webinars are extremely popular and typically fill up very quickly. Please register as soon as possible to ensure you secure your spot in this important discussion.”

NCAE is the national trade association focusing on agricultural labor issues from the employer’s viewpoint.

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