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Announcement

To: All FWAA Members and Associates

From: James F. Fitzgerald, Executive Director
Bill Erickson, PAC Committee Chair

Subject : Political Action Committee (PAC) Auction

Date: September 26, 2016

Legislation is the top priority of Far West Agribusiness Association as established by the Far West Board of Directors. Fortunately, the Association has the resources, knowledge, and contacts to help introduce, modify, or eliminate legislation beyond the abilities of most individual members. This is accomplished not only through the contractual services of registered lobbyists in Washington, Oregon, and Idaho, but also through the operation and support of our Political Action Committee (PAC).

Far West manages its own PAC - the Far West Agribusiness PAC - and it contributes to campaigns in Washington, Idaho and Oregon. Operated separately from the Association and its membership, funds raised for the PAC support well-qualified candidates who know and understand business and our industry.

Neither FWAA nor the Far West Agribusiness PAC have a party affiliation and we work with all those who can provide us with the best possible business environment in which to operate. We have demonstrated positive results in the past and will continue to build upon those experiences in the future.

In order for FWAA to have the resources needed continue to represent and advocate for the industry, funding the PAC is essential. Our primary source of funding is the silent/live auction held in conjunction with our annual conference each winter. **This year's auction will be held December 13, 2016 from 5:30 - 7:30 pm at Three Rivers Convention Center in Kennewick, WA.**

Please mark your calendars for this most important event and consider the donation of an item or cash to this year's auction to help raise funds for this critical need. Click here for a Donor Form. If you have any questions or need ideas about items that have been popular in past auctions, please contact the FWAA office at (509) 465-5055 and we will be happy to assist. Events like this have allowed us to contribute \$16,650 this 2016 election season. Please visit the Legislative tab on our website at www.fwaa.org for complete details on this year's giving campaign.

Thank you for your support as we continue to work on your behalf to provide a consistent voice for our industry.