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MORE SUBCOMMITTEE FIELD HEARINGS SCHEDULED ON USDA REORGANIZATION PROPOSALS

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WASHINGTON -- The House Agriculture Subcommittee on Department Operations and Nutrition will continue its review of Agriculture Secretary Mike Espy's proposals to reorganize the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) with five additional field hearings in January, Subcommittee Chairman Charles Stenholm, D-Texas, announced Thursday.

Hearings will be held:

Wednesday, Jan. 5 12:30 p.m.

Memorial Union Ballroom

North Dakota State University

Fargo, North Dakota

Monday, Jan. 10

9:30 a.m.

Anthis Career Center Auditorium

1200 S. Barr Street

Fort Wayne, Indiana

Tuesday, Jan. 18

1:30 p.m.

Waco Convention Center

Waco, Texas

Saturday, Jan. 22

9:30 a.m.

University of California/Kearney

Agricultural Station

Parlier, California (near Fresno)

Monday, Jan. 31

10:30 a.m.

Berks County Courthouse

633 Court Street

Reading, Pennsylvania

With the conclusion of the January hearings, the Subcommittee will have held a total of eight public hearings around the country during December and January to receive testimony from USDA clients and employees at the local level. Previous hearings were held in Georgia, Arkansas and Nebraska earlier in December. Subcommittee Chairman Stenholm has announced his intention to hold a Subcommittee markup of the reorganization legislation on Feb. 8.

For additional information concerning the hearings, contact Geoff Becker or Stan Ray of the Subcommittee staff at 202-225-8406.