

§ 2.19 Under Secretary for Food, Nutrition, and Consumer Services.

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(i) Administer the following legislation:

(A) the Food Stamp Act of 1977, as amended (7 U.S.C. 2011–2032).

(B) Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act, as amended (42 U.S.C. 1751–1769h), except procurement of agricultural commodities and other foods under section thereof.

(C) Child Nutrition Act of 1966, as amended (42 U.S.C. 1771–1790).

(D) Sections 933–939 of the Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act Amendments of 1991 (7 U.S.C. 5930 note).

(E) Section 301 of the Healthy Meals for Healthy Americans Act of 1994 (Pub. L. 103–448).

(F) Section 4402 of the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 (7 U.S.C. 3007).

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(vi) Administer those functions under title IV of the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996 (8 U.S.C. 1612) relating to the eligibility of aliens for benefits under the domestic food assistance programs.

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■ 8. Amend § 2.20 as follows:

■ a. Revise paragraphs (a)(3)(iv)(E), (a)(3)(xiii), (a)(3)(xvi), and (a)(3)(xviii),

■ b. Remove paragraph (a)(3)(xix) and (a)(9),

■ c. Redesignate paragraph (a)(3)(xx) as (xix) and paragraph (a)(3)(xxii) as paragraph (a)(3)(xii). The revisions read as follows:

§ 2.20 Under Secretary for Natural Resources and Environment.

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(E) The Watershed Protection and Flood Prevention Program under 16 U.S.C. 1001–1010, including rehabilitation of water resource structural measures constructed under certain Department of Agriculture programs under 16 U.S.C. 1012, except for responsibilities assigned to the Under Secretary for Rural Development.

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(xiii) Except as otherwise delegated, administer natural resources conservation authorities, including authorities related to programs of the Commodity Credit Corporation that provide assistance with respect to natural resources conservation, under Title XII of the Food Security Act of

1985 (the Act), as amended (16 U.S.C. 3801 *et seq.*), including the following:

(A) Technical assistance related to the conservation of highly erodible lands and wetlands pursuant to sections 1211–1223 of the Act (16 U.S.C. 3811–3823).

(B) Technical assistance related to the Conservation Reserve Program authorized by sections 1231–1235A of the Act (16 U.S.C. 3831–3835a).

(C) The Wetlands Reserve Program and the Emergency Wetlands Reserve Program authorized by sections 1237–1237F of the Act (16 U.S.C. 3837–3837F) and the Emergency Supplemental Appropriations for Relief from the Major, Widespread Flooding in the Midwest Act, Public Law 103–75.

(D) The Conservation Security Program authorized by sections 1238–1238C (16 U.S.C. 3838–3838c).

(E) The Farmland Protection Program authorized by sections 1238H–1238I of the Act (16 U.S.C. 3838h–3838i).

(F) The Farm Viability Program authorized by section 1238J of the Act (16 U.S.C. 3838j).

(G) The Environmental Easement Program authorized by sections 1239–1239D of the Act (16 U.S.C. 3839–3839d).

(H) The Environmental Quality Incentives Program authorized by sections 1240–1240I of the Act (16 U.S.C. 3839aa–3839aa–9).

(I) The conservation of private grazing lands authorized by section 1240M of the Act (16 U.S.C. 3839bb).

(J) The Wildlife Habitat Incentives Program authorized by section 1240N of the Act (16 U.S.C. 3839bb–1).

(K) The program for soil erosion and sedimentation control in the Great Lakes basin authorized by section 1240P of the Act (16 U.S.C. 3839bb–3).

(L) The delivery of technical assistance under section 1242 of the Act (16 U.S.C. 3842), including the approval of persons or entities outside of USDA to provide technical services.

(M) The authority for partnerships and cooperation provided by section 1243 of the Act (16 U.S.C. 3843), except for responsibilities assigned to the Under Secretary for Farm and Foreign Agricultural Services.

(N) The incentives for beginning farmers and ranchers and Indian tribes and the protection of certain proprietary information related to natural resources conservation programs as provided by section 1244 of the Act (16 U.S.C. 3844), except for responsibilities assigned to the Under Secretary for Farm and Foreign Agricultural Services.

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(xvi) Administer the following provisions of the Farm Security and

Rural Investment Act of 2002 with respect to functions otherwise delegated to the Under Secretary for Natural Resources and Environment:

(A) The equitable relief provisions of section 1613 (7 U.S.C. 7996).

(B) The tracking of benefits under section 1614 (7 U.S.C. 7997).

(C) The development of a plan and related report to coordinate land retirement and agricultural working land conservation programs under section 2005 (16 U.S.C. 3801 note).

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(xviii) Administer the agricultural management assistance provisions of section 524(b) of the Federal Crop Insurance Act, as amended (7 U.S.C. 1524(b)), except for responsibilities assigned to the Under Secretary for Farm and Foreign Agricultural Services.

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■ 9. Amend § 2.21 as follows:

■ a. Remove and reserve paragraphs (a)(1)(xxvi), (a)(1)(lxiii), (a)(1)(lxxxvii), (a)(1)(cxxii), and (a)(1)(clxii);

■ b. Revise paragraphs (a)(1)(x), (a)(1)(xxxi), (a)(1)(xxv), (a)(1)(liii), (a)(1)(ciii), (a)(1)(cxli), (a)(1)(clvii), and (a)(1)(clxiv);

■ c. Add new paragraphs (a)(1)(lv), (a)(1)(lxxviii), (a)(1)(lxxxii), (a)(1)(lxxxiii), (a)(1)(clxxii) through (a)(1)(clxxxii), and (a)(8)(xiv) through (a)(1)(xvi); to read as follows:

§ 2.21 Under Secretary for Research, Education, and Economics.

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(x) Evaluate, assess, and report to congressional agriculture committees on the merits of proposals for agricultural research facilities in the States, and ensure that each research activity conducted by an Agricultural Research Service facility serves a national or multistate need (7 U.S.C. 390 *et seq.*).

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(xxvi) [Removed and reserved]

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(xxxi) Make grants and enter into contracts and other agreements for outreach and technical assistance to socially disadvantaged farmers and ranchers (7 U.S.C. 2279(a)(3)).

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(xxxv) Administer, in cooperation with land-grant colleges and universities where applicable, a rural development research and extension program, a small farm research and extension program, and a rural health and safety education program under the Rural Development Act of 1972, as amended (7 U.S.C. 2661–2667).

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(liii) Provide policy direction and coordinate the Department's work with