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## For Immediate Release

### House Ag Subcommittee Chair to Kick Off Farm Journal Forum

Washington (November 26, 2013)—The Farm Journal Foundation announced today that the Honorable Mike Conaway (R-Texas) will speak at the 2013 Farm Journal Forum’s Newsmaker Breakfast. Rep. Conaway, chair of the House Agriculture General Farm Commodities and Risk Management Subcommittee, is expected to discuss the farm bill currently in conference. The Newsmaker Breakfast will set an exciting tone for what will be a day full of high-caliber speakers, informational dialogue and enlightening discussion.

Since his election to Congress in 2005, Rep. Conaway has been influential in crafting important and far-reaching domestic agricultural policies, particularly related to agricultural commodities. Originally from Odessa, Texas, [Rep. Conaway](#) represents the 11<sup>th</sup> District of Texas, a thriving agricultural district that counts thousands of hardworking farmers among his constituents. He holds the title of deputy Republican whip and serves on the House Intelligence and Armed Services Committees, as well as serving as chairman of the Ethics Committee. Rep. Conaway is rumored to be one of the top candidates to replace Rep. Lucas as full committee chair when his term expires.

“It is an honor to have such a distinguished Newsmaker Breakfast speaker, especially one so heavily involved with food and farming policy,” said Charlene Finck, President of the Farm Journal Foundation. “Congressman Conaway has been hard at work with his fellow farm bill conferees and will provide valuable insight into the conference process and the remaining 2013 political agenda in the U.S. House.”

The Farm Journal Forum is widely recognized as one of the premier food and agriculture policy conferences in the nation’s capital, known for convening a diverse audience of farmers, policymakers, industry leaders, academics, non-profit representatives and other stakeholders involved in shaping the future of food and agriculture. Hosted in partnership with Informa Economics, the event will take place on Dec. 4-5, 2013, at the Loews Madison Hotel in Washington D.C. The 2013 Farm Journal Forum is made possible by support from premier sponsor, Monsanto Company, and supporting sponsors: AdFarm, Charleston|Orwig, CropLife America, DuPont and SFP, in association with Farmers Feeding the World. Don’t forget to register and find additional information at [www.FarmJournalForum.com](http://www.FarmJournalForum.com). Take part in the conversation on Twitter: #FJForum13.

#### **About the Farm Journal Foundation**

The Farm Journal Foundation is a nonprofit corporation dedicated to sustaining agriculture’s ability to meet the vital needs of a growing population through education and empowerment. The Foundation houses the Farmers Feeding the World platform to rally the agricultural community around the fight against world hunger. For more information, please visit [www.FarmersFeedingTheWorld.org](http://www.FarmersFeedingTheWorld.org).