

## **MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS**

The following commentary reviews the consolidated financial condition and consolidated results of operations of AgStar Financial Services, ACA (the parent) and AgStar Financial Services, FLCA and AgStar Financial Services, PCA (the subsidiaries). This discussion should be read in conjunction with both the unaudited consolidated financial information and related notes included in this Quarterly Report as well as Management's Discussion and Analysis included in our Annual Report for the year ended December 31, 2014 (2014 Annual Report).

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### **FORWARD-LOOKING INFORMATION**

Any forward-looking statements in this Quarterly Report are based on current expectations and are subject to uncertainty and changes in circumstances. Actual results may differ materially from expectations due to a number of risks and uncertainties. More information about these risks and uncertainties is contained in our 2014 Annual Report. We undertake no duty to update or revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events, or otherwise.

### **AGRICULTURAL AND ECONOMIC CONDITIONS**

We provide a wide variety of services across many agriculture sectors, including the principal agriculture industries of grain, swine, and dairy. Credit quality, delinquencies, and nonaccrual measures showed significant improvement during 2014, and modest improvement has continued as we progress through 2015. Looking forward, the prospects are more challenging for grain producers in our territory, compared to the more profitable trend of the previous several years. Some future deterioration is also expected, particularly if lower grain prices continue throughout 2015 and beyond. Despite the downturn in grain prices, the quality of the crop portfolio at June 30, 2015 continues to be strong at 99.5% non-adverse.

As of June 10, 2015, the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) estimated 2014/2015 corn production at 14.2 billion bushels, up 2.8% from the 2013/2014 marketing year. Estimated average yields were 171 bushels per acre, up from 158 bushels per acre in 2013/2014. Ending corn stocks for 2014/2015 are estimated to be 1.9 billion bushels up 644 million from the season's beginning stocks. The USDA projected 2015/2016 season-average farm price for corn at \$3.20 to \$3.80 per bushel compared to their estimate of \$3.65 per bushel in 2014/2015.

The USDA is currently estimating 2014/2015 soybean production at 4.0 billion bushels, up 18% from 2013/2014. The current yield per harvested acre is estimated to be 47.8 bushels per acre, up from 44.0 bushels per acre in 2013/2014. Soybean exports are projected at 1.8 billion bushels, up 10 million reflecting outstanding sales and shipments through May. The 2015/2016 season-average price for soybeans is projected at \$8.25 to \$9.75 per bushel on modest increases in area planted.

The 2014 year was a strong period for most hog producers. Looking forward, prices and margins look significantly less favorable for the 2015 year, particularly as we progress towards the latter half of the year. The quality of the swine portfolio, however, remains very strong at 99.9% non-adverse. Porcine Epidemic Diarrhea Virus (PEDv) has had less of an impact this winter/spring than in 2014, leading to less volatility in the marketplace. The market spot price of lean hogs, which peaked during the 2014 PEDv epidemic at over \$130 per hundredweight, has declined to \$74 per hundredweight as of June 30, 2015. Compounding this issue, USDA pork import expectations have risen due to the recent strength of the dollar making the U.S. an attractive market, despite large supplies of domestic pork. USDA forecasts of pork production for 2015 are higher than 2014 by 7% due to a greater-than-expected second-quarter slaughter.

The price outlook for milk is less favorable than it had been in 2014 and 2013. However, milk producers still have the ability to lock in break-even or better margins for all of 2015. The milk production forecast for 2015 is 208.7 billion pounds, a 1.3% increase over 2014. The USDA projects an average price received by farmers for all milk of \$17.15 to \$17.55 per hundredweight in 2015, and \$17.45 to \$18.45 per hundredweight in 2016. We expect 2015 will be a solid year for most dairy producers and expectations are that most producers will again show profitability due to lower feed costs and strong margins. The quality of the dairy portfolio improved significantly to 96.7% non-adverse at June 30, 2015.

The poultry sector has been affected by an outbreak of Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza (HPAI). As of the end of May, nearly 41 million birds were affected on 179 farms throughout the United States (U.S.). With approximately 8.3 million birds affected, Minnesota and Wisconsin joined other Midwest states by declaring a state of emergency, thereby ensuring more resources will be available to eradicate the virus. The greatest impact of HPAI was to turkeys and egg-laying hens, with the broiler population largely unaffected. The USDA's projection of egg production for 2015 and 2016 has been lowered as HPAI has impacted the laying flock, and the forecast into 2016 reflects the expected speed at which the flock can be rebuilt. Conversely,

expected broiler production for 2015 and 2016 is raised from last month based on hatchery data. However, prices are unchanged as continued strong domestic demand is expected to absorb increased supplies of broiler meat. The majority of our poultry loans are in the broiler segment, and poultry as a whole represents less than 2% of our aggregate loan portfolio.

Conditions have been considered favorable for agricultural producers in recent years, resulting in positive performance overall for agribusinesses. However, the combination of lower commodity prices, lower crop and livestock receipts, a strengthening U.S. dollar, and a weaker global economic picture has the potential to drive farm income close to historically average levels. According to the USDA's Economic Research Service, national net farm income (NFI)—a key indicator of U.S. farm well-being—is forecast at \$73.6 billion for 2015, down 32% from last year's level of \$108.0 billion. The 2015 forecast would result in the lowest NFI since 2009. Despite the near-term conditions, farm wealth is projected to remain at record levels. The combination of lower income and record farm wealth suggests a mixed-but-manageable financial picture for the agricultural sector as a whole, with some regional variation.

After experiencing years of steady increase, farm land values in our service area have flattened and are expected to decline as we progress through 2015 and into 2016. The declines are anticipated due to expected lower commodity prices and potential changes in interest rates. Despite the expectation of land value declining, the U.S. farm sector is still considered to be in the best financial shape we have seen over the last generation. Given solid net worth positions and conservative borrowing characteristics, U.S. agriculture is well-positioned to handle a decline in land values without enduring significant financial stress and hardship.

Our rural home mortgage portfolio credit quality remains strong. Now five years beyond the peak of the housing crisis, our delinquency levels are the lowest we have seen over the last 12 years, and better than the overall housing industry. The economy continues to generate a number of positive economic signals for the housing market. According to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, the national unemployment rate remained at 5.3% as of June 2015, continuing a steady decline from over 10% in 2009. Both Minnesota and Wisconsin have state unemployment rates below the national average.

In response to the potential changes in the economic environment, some of our core credit objectives include working with clients to promote risk management, ensuring high quality financial statements and production reports, encouraging disciplined marketing plans, and providing individualized servicing plans and strategies.

## LOANS HELD TO MATURITY

Loans held to maturity were \$6.9 billion at June 30, 2015, an increase of \$33.9 million from December 31, 2014. The increase was primarily due to increases in our net participations purchased, partially offset by repayments made by clients in our production agriculture sectors.

### Portfolio Credit Quality

The credit quality of our portfolio remained stable from December 31, 2014. Adversely classified loans were 1.8% of the portfolio at June 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014. Adversely classified loans are loans we have identified as showing some credit weakness outside our credit standards. We have considered portfolio credit quality in assessing the reasonableness of our allowance for loan/lease losses.

In certain circumstances, Farmer Mac and U.S. government agency guarantee programs are used to reduce the risk of loss. At June 30, 2015, \$625.0 million of our loans were, to some level, guaranteed under these programs.

### Risk Assets

The following table summarizes risk information (accruing loans include accrued interest receivable) (dollars in thousands):

As of:	June 30 2015	December 31 2014
Loans:		
Nonaccrual	\$ 56,539	\$ 51,339
Accruing restructured	23,326	22,892
Accruing loans 90 days or more past due	2,031	304
Total risk loans	81,896	74,535
Other property owned	1,475	3,140
Total risk assets	\$ 83,371	\$ 77,675
Total risk loans as a percentage of total loans	1.2%	1.1%
Nonaccrual loans as a percentage of total loans	0.8%	0.7%
Total delinquencies as a percentage of total loans	0.5%	0.5%

Our risk assets have increased from December 31, 2014, but remain at acceptable levels. Despite the increase in risk assets, total risk loans as a percentage of total loans remains well within our established risk management guidelines.

The increase in nonaccrual loans was due to the downgrading of certain accounts in our dairy, poultry, and agribusiness segments. Nonaccrual loans remained at an acceptable level at June 30, 2015 and 68.4% of our nonaccrual loans were current.

The increase in accruing loans 90 days or more past due was primarily due to certain production and intermediate term loans in our grain portfolio.

## Allowance for Loan/Lease Losses

The allowance for loan/lease losses is an estimate of losses on loans in our portfolio as of the financial statement date. We determine the appropriate level of allowance for loan/lease losses based on periodic evaluation of factors such as loan loss history, estimated probability of default, estimated loss severity, portfolio quality, and current economic and environmental conditions.

The following table presents comparative allowance coverage of various loan categories:

As of:	June 30 2015	December 31 2014
Allowance as a percentage of:		
Loans	0.4%	0.3%
Nonaccrual loans	43.6%	46.1%
Total risk loans	30.1%	31.7%

In our opinion, the allowance for loan/lease losses was reasonable in relation to the risk in our loan portfolio at June 30, 2015.

## LOANS HELD FOR SALE

We have loans held for sale under a rural residential mortgage program, which is designed to provide qualified borrowers with additional options for competitive rate financing of rural homes in small towns or homes that are part of a hobby farm, pastureland, or tillable acreage. Loans closed under this program will be sold to and securitized by a third party investor. At June 30, 2015, the volume in this program was \$19.1 million, an \$11.2 million increase from December 31, 2014. The increase was the result of our originations of new loans held for sale.

## RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

The following table presents profitability information (dollars in thousands):

For the six months ended June 30	2015	2014
Net income	\$ 56,035	\$ 52,911
Return on average assets	1.5%	1.5%
Return on average equity	9.6%	9.8%

Changes in these ratios are directly related to the changes in income discussed in this section, changes in assets discussed in the Loan Portfolio section, and changes in capital discussed in the Funding, Liquidity, and Capital section.

The following table summarizes the changes in components of net income (in thousands):

For the six months ended June 30	2015	2014	Increase (decrease) in net income
Net interest income	\$ 95,989	\$ 91,993	\$ 3,996
Provision for loan/lease losses	1,700	677	(1,023)
Patronage income	8,901	9,539	(638)
Other income, net	20,599	18,862	1,737
Operating expenses	62,588	61,217	(1,371)
Provision for income taxes	5,166	5,589	423
Net income	\$ 56,035	\$ 52,911	\$ 3,124

The following table quantifies changes in net interest income for the six months ended June 30, 2015 compared to the same period in 2014 (in thousands):

	2015 vs 2014
Changes in volume	\$ 7,548
Changes in interest rates	(4,110)
Changes in asset securitization	119
Changes in nonaccrual income and other	439
Net change	\$ 3,996

The change in the provision for loan/lease losses was related to the deterioration of certain loans in our grain portfolio.

The change in patronage income was primarily due to a lower patronage rate compared to the prior year. The effect of this decrease in rate was partially offset due to a higher average balance on our note payable.

The change in other income was primarily related to an increase in net fee income and other miscellaneous income, partially offset by a decrease in crop insurance income. We originated rural home loans for resale into the secondary market. We sold loans in the secondary market totaling \$32.1 million through June 30, 2015 compared to \$15.3 million for the same period in 2014. The fee income from this activity totaled \$660 thousand for the six months ended June 30, 2015 compared to \$312 thousand for the same period of 2014.

The change in operating expenses was primarily related to salaries and benefits expense and Farm Credit System insurance expense. Farm Credit System Insurance Corporation (FCSIC) expense increased in 2015 primarily due to an increase in the premium rate charged on accrual loans by FCSIC from 12 basis points in 2014 to 13 basis points in 2015.

The change in provision for income taxes was related to decreased income on the taxable entities, primarily caused by an increase in provision for loan/lease losses on those entities.

## **FUNDING, LIQUIDITY, AND CAPITAL**

Our note payable matured on March 31, 2015 and was renewed for \$7.4 billion with a maturity date of March 31, 2016. The note payable will be renegotiated at that time. The repricing attributes of our line of credit generally correspond to the repricing attributes of our loan portfolio which significantly reduces our market interest rate risk. Due to the cooperative structure of the Farm Credit System and as we are a stockholder of AgriBank, we expect this borrowing relationship to continue into the foreseeable future.

Cost of funds associated with our note payable includes a marginal cost of debt component, a spread component, which includes cost of servicing, cost of liquidity, and bank profit, and, if applicable, a risk premium component. However, we were not subject to a risk premium at June 30, 2015 or December 31, 2014.

Total equity increased \$52.2 million from December 31, 2014 primarily due to net income for the period, partially offset by accrued redemptions of nonqualified patronage allocations, preferred stock dividend accruals, and a decrease in capital stock and participation certificates.

Farm Credit Administration regulations require us to maintain a permanent capital ratio of at least 7.0%, a total surplus ratio of at least 7.0%, and a core surplus ratio of at least 3.5%. Refer to Note 10 in our 2014 Annual Report for a more complete description of these ratios. As of June 30, 2015, the ratios were as follows:

- The permanent capital ratio was 15.7%.
- The total surplus ratio was 15.5%.
- The core surplus ratio was 12.8%.

The capital adequacy ratios are directly impacted by the changes in capital as more fully explained in this section and the changes in assets as discussed in the Loan Portfolio section.

## **EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLANS**

Certain employees participate in the AgriBank District Retirement Plan, a District-wide multi-employer defined benefit retirement plan. The employers contribute amounts necessary on an actuarial basis to provide the plan with sufficient assets to meet the benefits to be paid to participants. Due to a change in actuarial assumptions approved by the AgriBank District Coordinating Committee in May 2015, the amount of the total District employer contributions expected to be paid into the pension plans during 2015 increased from \$57.9 million to \$62.7 million. Our allocated share of these expected pension contributions increased from \$8.0 million to \$8.6 million. The assumption changes were updated to more closely align with recent historical actuals and included modifying the annual salary rate increases, retirement rates, unused sick leave and optional forms of benefit payments elected. Refer to Note 12 in our 2014 Annual Report for a more complete description of our Employee Benefit Plans.

## **REGULATORY MATTERS**

On May 8, 2014, the FCA Board approved a proposed rule to modify the regulatory capital requirements for System Banks and Associations. The stated objectives of the proposed rule are as follows:

- To modernize capital requirements while ensuring that institutions continue to hold sufficient regulatory capital to fulfill their mission as a government-sponsored enterprise,
- To ensure that the System's capital requirements are comparable to the Basel III framework and the standardized approach that the federal banking regulatory agencies have adopted, but also to ensure that the rules recognize the cooperative structure and the organization of the System,
- To make System regulatory capital requirements more transparent, and
- To meet the requirements of section 939A of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act.

On June 15, 2015, the FCA Board voted to reopen the public comment period from June 26 through July 10, 2015. The initial comment period on the proposed rule, after extension, closed February 16, 2015.

On June 12, 2014, the FCA Board approved a proposed rule to revise the requirements governing the eligibility of investments for System Banks and Associations. The stated objectives of the proposed rule are as follows:

- To strengthen the safety and soundness of System Banks and Associations,
- To ensure that System Banks hold sufficient liquidity to continue operations and pay maturing obligations in the event of market disruption,
- To enhance the ability of the System Banks to supply credit to agricultural and aquatic producers,
- To comply with the requirements of section 939A of the Dodd-Frank Act,
- To modernize the investment eligibility criteria for System Banks, and
- To revise the investment regulation for System Associations to improve their investment management practices so they are more resilient to risk.

The public comment period ended on October 23, 2014.

As of the date of this report, the FCA Board has not approved a final rule related to either of these proposals.

#### CERTIFICATION

The undersigned certify they have reviewed AgStar Financial Services, ACA's June 30, 2015 Quarterly Report. It has been prepared under the oversight of the audit committee and in accordance with all applicable statutory or regulatory requirements. The information contained herein is true, accurate, and complete to the best of our knowledge and belief.



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# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CONDITION

AgStar Financial Services, ACA

(in thousands)

(Unaudited)

As of:	June 30 2015	December 31 2014
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Loans held to maturity	\$ 6,933,588	\$ 6,899,646
Allowance for loan/lease losses	24,633	23,655
Net loans held to maturity	6,908,955	6,875,991
Loans held for sale	19,107	7,899
Net loans	6,928,062	6,883,890
Investment securities	441,020	481,936
Assets held for lease, net	39,581	41,566
Accrued interest receivable	61,143	54,899
Investment in AgriBank, FCB	146,426	142,098
Premises and equipment, net	16,632	17,388
Other property owned	1,475	3,140
Other assets	59,599	47,954
Total assets	\$ 7,693,938	\$ 7,672,871
<b>LIABILITIES</b>		
Note payable to AgriBank, FCB	\$ 6,307,039	\$ 6,340,682
Subordinated debt	100,000	100,000
Accrued interest payable	25,019	24,367
Deferred tax liabilities, net	4,129	6,730
Other liabilities	67,381	62,914
Total liabilities	6,503,568	6,534,693
Contingencies and commitments	--	--
<b>EQUITY</b>		
Capital stock and participation certificates	16,109	16,177
Preferred stock	100,000	100,000
Allocated surplus	399,400	371,004
Unallocated surplus	674,861	650,915
Accumulated other comprehensive income	--	82
Total equity	1,190,370	1,138,178
Total liabilities and equity	\$ 7,693,938	\$ 7,672,871

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME

AgStar Financial Services, ACA

(in thousands)

(Unaudited)

For the period ended June 30	Three Months Ended		Six Months Ended	
	2015	2014	2015	2014
<b>Interest income</b>	\$ 74,770	\$ 71,459	\$ 148,851	\$ 141,420
<b>Interest expense</b>	26,907	24,961	52,862	49,427
Net interest income	47,863	46,498	95,989	91,993
<b>Provision for loan/lease losses</b>	1,700	677	1,700	677
Net interest income after provision for loan/lease losses	46,163	45,821	94,289	91,316
<b>Other income</b>				
Patronage income	4,589	4,712	8,901	9,539
Net operating lease income	406	393	886	774
Financially related services income	5,240	5,027	9,751	10,133
Fee and miscellaneous income, net	5,946	3,986	9,962	7,955
Total other income	16,181	14,118	29,500	28,401
<b>Operating expenses</b>				
Salaries and employee benefits	21,235	20,552	42,739	41,561
Farm Credit System insurance	2,027	1,782	4,086	3,532
Other operating expenses	8,106	8,355	15,763	16,124
Total operating expenses	31,368	30,689	62,588	61,217
Income before income taxes	30,976	29,250	61,201	58,500
<b>Provision for income taxes</b>	2,150	2,694	5,166	5,589
Net income	\$ 28,826	\$ 26,556	\$ 56,035	\$ 52,911
<b>Other comprehensive income</b>				
Investment securities available for sale				
Not-other-than-temporary-impaired investments	\$ (201)	\$ --	\$ (82)	\$ --
Total other comprehensive income	(201)	--	(82)	--
Comprehensive income	\$ 28,625	\$ 26,556	\$ 55,953	\$ 52,911

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

AgStar Financial Services, ACA

(in thousands)

(Unaudited)

	Preferred Stock	Capital Stock and Participation Certificates	Allocated Surplus	Unallocated Surplus	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income	Total Equity
Balance at December 31, 2013	\$ 100,000	\$ 15,912	\$ 339,360	\$ 600,888	\$ --	\$ 1,056,160
Net income	--	--	--	52,911	--	52,911
Net surplus allocated under nonqualified patronage program	--	--	27,092	(27,092)	--	--
Redemption of prior year allocated patronage	--	--	(269)	--	--	(269)
Preferred stock dividend	--	--	--	(3,374)	--	(3,374)
Capital stock and participation certificates issued	--	774	--	--	--	774
Capital stock and participation certificates retired	--	(718)	--	--	--	(718)
<b>Balance at June 30, 2014</b>	<b>\$ 100,000</b>	<b>\$ 15,968</b>	<b>\$ 366,183</b>	<b>\$ 623,333</b>	<b>\$ --</b>	<b>\$ 1,105,484</b>
Balance at December 31, 2014	\$ 100,000	\$ 16,177	\$ 371,004	\$ 650,915	\$ 82	\$ 1,138,178
Net income	--	--	--	56,035	--	56,035
Other comprehensive income	--	--	--	--	(82)	(82)
Net surplus allocated under nonqualified patronage program	--	--	28,714	(28,714)	--	--
Redemption of prior year allocated patronage	--	--	(318)	--	--	(318)
Preferred stock dividend	--	--	--	(3,375)	--	(3,375)
Capital stock and participation certificates issued	--	663	--	--	--	663
Capital stock and participation certificates retired	--	(731)	--	--	--	(731)
<b>Balance at June 30, 2015</b>	<b>\$ 100,000</b>	<b>\$ 16,109</b>	<b>\$ 399,400</b>	<b>\$ 674,861</b>	<b>\$ --</b>	<b>\$ 1,190,370</b>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

## NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

### NOTE 1: ORGANIZATION AND SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The accompanying consolidated financial statements contain all adjustments necessary for a fair presentation of the interim consolidated financial condition and consolidated results of operations. While our accounting policies conform to accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (U.S. GAAP) and the prevailing practices within the financial services industry, this interim Quarterly Report is prepared based upon statutory and regulatory requirements and, accordingly, does not include all disclosures required by U.S. GAAP. The results of the six months ended June 30, 2015 are not necessarily indicative of the results to be expected for the year ending December 31, 2015. The interim financial statements and the related notes in this Quarterly Report should be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements and related notes included in our Annual Report for the year ended December 31, 2014 (2014 Annual Report).

The consolidated financial statements present the consolidated financial results of AgStar Financial Services, ACA (the parent) and AgStar Financial Services, FLCA and AgStar Financial Services, PCA (the subsidiaries). All material intercompany transactions and balances have been eliminated in consolidation.

#### Recently Issued or Adopted Accounting Pronouncements

We have assessed the potential impact of accounting standards that have been issued, but are not yet effective, and have determined that no such standards are expected to have a material impact to our consolidated financial statements.

### NOTE 2: LOANS HELD TO MATURITY AND ALLOWANCE FOR LOAN/LEASE LOSSES

Loans held to maturity consisted of the following (dollars in thousands):

As of:	June 30, 2015		December 31, 2014	
	Amount	%	Amount	%
Real estate mortgage	\$ 3,569,820	51.5%	\$ 3,473,882	50.4%
Production and intermediate term	1,726,803	24.9%	1,927,376	27.9%
Agribusiness	839,009	12.1%	718,870	10.4%
Other	797,956	11.5%	779,518	11.3%
Total	\$ 6,933,588	100.0%	\$ 6,899,646	100.0%

The other category is comprised of communication, energy, water and waste water, international, and rural residential real estate related loans as well as finance and conditional sales leases and bonds originated under our mission related investment authority.

#### Credit Quality and Delinquency

One credit quality indicator we utilize is the Farm Credit Administration (FCA) Uniform Classification System that categorizes loans into five categories. The categories are defined as follows:

- Acceptable: loans are expected to be fully collectible and represent the highest quality,
- Other assets especially mentioned (OAEM): loans are currently collectible but exhibit some potential weakness,
- Substandard: loans exhibit some serious weakness in repayment capacity, equity, and/or collateral pledged on the loan,
- Doubtful: loans exhibit similar weaknesses to substandard loans; however, doubtful loans have additional weaknesses in existing factors, conditions, and values that make collection in full highly questionable, and
- Loss: loans are considered uncollectible.

We had no loans categorized as loss at June 30, 2015 or December 31, 2014.

The following table summarizes loans and related accrued interest receivable classified under the FCA Uniform Classification System by loan type (dollars in thousands):

As of June 30, 2015	Acceptable		OAEM		Substandard/ Doubtful		Total	
	Amount	%	Amount	%	Amount	%	Amount	%
Real estate mortgage	\$3,466,838	96.2%	\$ 80,159	2.2%	\$ 58,077	1.6%	\$3,605,074	100.0%
Production and intermediate term	1,667,575	95.6%	38,863	2.2%	37,257	2.2%	1,743,695	100.0%
Agribusiness	831,191	98.8%	171	--	10,425	1.2%	841,787	100.0%
Other	755,899	94.6%	25,129	3.1%	18,471	2.3%	799,499	100.0%
Total	\$6,721,503	96.1%	\$ 144,322	2.1%	\$ 124,230	1.8%	\$6,990,055	100.0%

As of December 31, 2014	Acceptable		OAEM		Substandard/ Doubtful		Total	
	Amount	%	Amount	%	Amount	%	Amount	%
Real estate mortgage	\$3,358,426	95.8%	\$ 72,739	2.1%	\$ 72,440	2.1%	\$3,503,605	100.0%
Production and intermediate term	1,885,550	97.0%	30,923	1.6%	27,287	1.4%	1,943,760	100.0%
Agribusiness	709,852	98.4%	1,608	0.2%	9,849	1.4%	721,309	100.0%
Other	748,963	95.9%	18,930	2.4%	12,998	1.7%	780,891	100.0%
Total	<u>\$6,702,791</u>	<u>96.4%</u>	<u>\$ 124,200</u>	<u>1.8%</u>	<u>\$ 122,574</u>	<u>1.8%</u>	<u>\$6,949,565</u>	<u>100.0%</u>

The following table provides an aging analysis of past due loans and related accrued interest receivable by loan type (in thousands):

As of June 30, 2015	30-89	90 Days	Not Past Due		90 Days	
	Days	or More	Total	or Less than	Total	or More
	Past Due	Past Due	Past Due	30 Days	Past Due	Past Due
				Past Due		and Accruing
Real estate mortgage	\$ 12,358	\$ 6,208	\$ 18,566	\$3,586,508	\$3,605,074	\$ --
Production and intermediate term	6,603	6,333	12,936	1,730,759	1,743,695	2,031
Agribusiness	221	1,925	2,146	839,641	841,787	--
Other	2,471	1,989	4,460	795,039	799,499	--
Total	<u>\$ 21,653</u>	<u>\$ 16,455</u>	<u>\$ 38,108</u>	<u>\$6,951,947</u>	<u>\$6,990,055</u>	<u>\$ 2,031</u>

  

As of December 31, 2014	30-89	90 Days	Not Past Due		90 Days	
	Days	or More	Total	or Less than	Total	or More
	Past Due	Past Due	Past Due	30 Days	Past Due	Past Due
				Past Due		and Accruing
Real estate mortgage	\$ 14,723	\$ 7,035	\$ 21,758	\$3,481,847	\$3,503,605	\$ 282
Production and intermediate term	3,182	2,597	5,779	1,937,981	1,943,760	7
Agribusiness	1,984	--	1,984	719,325	721,309	--
Other	2,788	1,104	3,892	776,999	780,891	15
Total	<u>\$ 22,677</u>	<u>\$ 10,736</u>	<u>\$ 33,413</u>	<u>\$6,916,152</u>	<u>\$6,949,565</u>	<u>\$ 304</u>

## Risk Loans

The following table presents risk loan information (accruing loans include accrued interest receivable) (in thousands):

As of:	June 30 2015	December 31 2014
Volume with specific reserves	\$ 7,131	\$ 8,779
Volume without specific reserves	74,765	65,756
Total risk loans	<u>\$ 81,896</u>	<u>\$ 74,535</u>
Total specific reserves	\$ 3,991	\$ 3,098
For the six months ended June 30	2015	2014
Income on accrual risk loans	\$ 716	\$ 30
Income on nonaccrual loans	3,379	2,752
Total income on risk loans	<u>\$ 4,095</u>	<u>\$ 2,782</u>
Average risk loans	\$ 79,284	\$ 128,098

The increase in risk loans was primarily due to certain loans in our agribusiness and production and intermediate term loan portfolios.

We did not have any material commitments to lend additional money to borrowers whose loans were at risk at June 30, 2015.

## Troubled Debt Restructurings (TDRs)

In situations where, for economic or legal reasons related to the borrower's financial difficulties, we grant a concession for other than an insignificant period of time to the borrower that we would not otherwise consider, the related loan is classified as a troubled debt restructuring, also known as a restructured loan. A concession is generally granted in order to minimize economic loss and avoid foreclosure. Concessions vary by program and borrower and may include interest rate reductions, term extensions, payment deferrals, or an acceptance of additional collateral in lieu of payments. In limited circumstances, principal may be forgiven. Loans classified as TDRs are considered risk loans. All risk loans are analyzed within our allowance for loan/lease losses calculation process. We record a specific allowance to reduce the carrying amount of the restructured loan to the lower of book value or net realizable value of collateral.

The following table presents information regarding TDRs that occurred during the six months ended June 30 (in thousands):

	2015		2014	
	Pre-modification	Post-modification	Pre-modification	Post-modification
Real estate mortgage	\$ --	\$ 282	\$ 719	\$ 577
Production and intermediate term	575	295	269	269
Rural residential real estate	--	--	190	190
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 575</b>	<b>\$ 577</b>	<b>\$ 1,178</b>	<b>\$ 1,036</b>

Pre-modification represents the outstanding recorded investment of the loan just prior to restructuring and post-modification represents the outstanding recorded investment of the loan immediately following the restructuring. The recorded investment of the loan is the face amount of the receivable increased or decreased by applicable accrued interest and unamortized premium, discount, finance charges, and acquisition costs and may also reflect a previous direct charge-off.

The primary types of modification typically include deferral of principal and extension of maturity.

The following table presents TDRs that defaulted during the six months ended June 30 in which the modification date was within twelve months of the respective reporting period (in thousands):

	2015	2014
Real estate mortgage	\$ --	\$ 56
Production and intermediate term	7	331
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 7</b>	<b>\$ 387</b>

The following table presents information regarding TDRs outstanding (in thousands):

As of:	June 30 2015	December 31 2014
Accrual status:		
Real estate mortgage	\$ 19,017	\$ 18,494
Production and intermediate term	4,309	4,398
<b>Total TDRs in accrual status</b>	<b>\$ 23,326</b>	<b>\$ 22,892</b>
Nonaccrual status:		
Real estate mortgage	\$ 6,203	\$ 6,835
Production and intermediate term	5,586	5,709
Communication	8,258	8,512
Rural residential real estate	105	276
<b>Total TDRs in nonaccrual status</b>	<b>\$ 20,152</b>	<b>\$ 21,332</b>
<b>Total TDRs</b>	<b>\$ 43,478</b>	<b>\$ 44,224</b>

Additional commitments to lend to borrowers whose loans have been modified in a TDR were \$449 thousand at June 30, 2015.

#### Allowance for Loan/Lease Losses

A summary of changes in the allowance for loan/lease losses follows (in thousands):

Six months ended June 30	2015	2014
Balance at beginning of year	\$ 23,655	\$ 24,725
Provision for loan/lease losses	1,700	677
Loan recoveries	402	979
Loan charge-offs	(1,124)	(2,378)
<b>Balance at end of period</b>	<b>\$ 24,633</b>	<b>\$ 24,003</b>

The increase in allowance for loan/lease losses was related to provision expense recorded in 2015 reflecting the deterioration in the grain portfolio.

**NOTE 3: INVESTMENT SECURITIES AND OTHER INVESTMENTS**

We had held-to-maturity investment securities of \$441.0 million at June 30, 2015 and \$460.9 million at December 31, 2014. Our investment securities consisted of:

- Mortgage-backed securities (MBS) issued by Farmer Mac or guaranteed by the Small Business Administration (SBA) or by the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), and
- Asset-backed securities (ABS) guaranteed by SBA or USDA.

These investment securities have been classified as held-to-maturity. MBS are generally longer-term investments and ABS are generally shorter-term investments. Farmer Mac guaranteed investments are typically MBS while SBA, Agricultural and Rural Community bonds, and USDA guaranteed investments may be comprised of either MBS or ABS.

At June 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, all of our held-to-maturity investment securities were fully guaranteed by Farmer Mac, SBA, or USDA.

The following table presents further information on held-to-maturity investment securities (dollars in thousands):

	Amortized Cost	Unrealized Gains	Unrealized Losses	Fair Value	Weighted Average Yield
<b>As of June 30, 2015</b>					
MBS	\$ 399,744	\$ 2,545	\$ (9,356)	\$ 392,933	3.8%
ABS	41,276	13	(2,070)	39,219	2.0%
Total	<u>\$ 441,020</u>	<u>\$ 2,558</u>	<u>\$ (11,426)</u>	<u>\$ 432,152</u>	<u>3.7%</u>
<b>As of December 31, 2014</b>					
MBS	\$ 414,902	\$ 2,704	\$ (9,435)	\$ 408,171	3.8%
ABS	46,037	17	(2,299)	43,755	2.2%
Total	<u>\$ 460,939</u>	<u>\$ 2,721</u>	<u>\$ (11,734)</u>	<u>\$ 451,926</u>	<u>3.7%</u>

Investment income is recorded in "Interest income" in the Consolidated Statements of Income and totaled \$7.4 million and \$7.5 million for the six months ended June 30, 2015 and 2014, respectively.

The following table presents contractual maturities of our investment securities (in thousands):

	<b>As of June 30, 2015</b>	Amortized Cost
Less than one year		\$ 898
One to five years		33,497
Five to ten years		71,325
More than ten years		335,300
Total		<u>\$ 441,020</u>

A summary of investments in an unrealized loss position presented by the length of time the investments have been in a continuous unrealized loss position follows (in thousands):

	Less than 12 months		Greater than 12 months	
	Fair Value	Unrealized Losses	Fair Value	Unrealized Losses
<b>As of June 30, 2015</b>				
MBS	\$ 30,845	\$ 922	\$ 177,616	\$ 8,434
ABS	8,011	525	28,068	1,545
Total	<u>\$ 38,856</u>	<u>\$ 1,447</u>	<u>\$ 205,684</u>	<u>\$ 9,979</u>
<b>As of December 31, 2014</b>				
MBS	\$ 54,047	\$ 3,257	\$ 157,552	\$ 6,178
ABS	19,232	1,196	19,444	1,103
Total	<u>\$ 73,279</u>	<u>\$ 4,453</u>	<u>\$ 176,996</u>	<u>\$ 7,281</u>

At December 31, 2014, we held Investment securities available-for-sale, consisting of mortgage backed securities, of \$21.0 million. During the second quarter of 2015, we sold these investment securities. Net gains related to the sales totaling \$129 thousand were recognized in "Fee and miscellaneous income, net" in the Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income.

The investment portfolio is evaluated for other-than-temporary impairment. To date, we have not recognized any impairment on our investment portfolio.

We, together with certain other Farm Credit institutions, are among the forming limited partners for a \$154.5 million Rural Business Investment Company (RBIC) established on October 3, 2014. The RBIC will facilitate private equity investments in agriculture-related businesses that will create growth and job opportunities in rural America. Our total commitment is \$20 million through October 2019. Our investment in the RBIC is recorded in "Other assets" in the Consolidated Statements of Condition, and totaled \$1.2 million at June 30, 2015 and \$757 thousand at December 31, 2014.

#### **NOTE 4: CONTINGENCIES AND COMMITMENTS**

In the normal course of business, we have contingent liabilities and outstanding commitments, primarily commitments to extend credit, which may not be reflected in the accompanying consolidated financial statements. We do not anticipate any material losses because of these contingencies or commitments.

We may be named as a defendant in lawsuits or legal actions in the normal course of business. At the date of these consolidated financial statements, we were not aware of any such actions that would have a material impact on our financial condition. However, such actions could arise in the future.

We are among the forming limited partners in a RBIC. Refer to Note 3 for additional discussion regarding this commitment.

#### **NOTE 5: FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS**

Fair value is defined as the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date in the principal or most advantageous market for the asset or liability. Accounting guidance also establishes a fair value hierarchy, with three levels of inputs that may be used to measure fair value. Refer to Note 2 in our 2014 Annual Report for a more complete description of the three input levels.

##### **Recurring Basis**

The following represents a summary of the assets, valuation techniques, and inputs used to measure fair value on a recurring basis:

**Loans held for sale:** The loans held for sale portfolio is held at fair value. Fair value is based on quoted market prices, where available, or the prices for other similar mortgage loans with similar characteristics. As necessary, these prices are adjusted for typical securitization activities, including servicing value, portfolio composition, market conditions, and liquidity. We had loans held for sale of \$19.1 million and \$7.9 million as of June 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, respectively, which were valued using Level 3 unobservable inputs. Total fair value losses related to these loans of \$182 thousand for the six months ended June 30, 2015, compared to \$301 thousand of fair value gains for the same period of 2014, were recognized in "Fee and miscellaneous income, net" in the Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income.

**Investment securities available-for-sale:** Investment securities available-for-sale are held at fair value. Fair value is based on quoted market prices, where available, or the prices for other similar mortgage loans with similar characteristics. As necessary, these prices are adjusted for typical securitization activities, including servicing value, portfolio composition, market conditions, and liquidity. Investment securities available-for-sale totaled \$21.0 million at December 31, 2014, valued using Level 3 unobservable inputs. Losses related to these investments totaling \$82 thousand for the six months ended June 30, 2015 were recognized in "Other comprehensive income" in the Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income. During the second quarter of 2015, we sold these investment securities. Net gains related to the sales totaling \$129 thousand were recognized in "Fee and miscellaneous income, net" in the Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income. We had no investment securities available-for-sale during the same period of 2014.

**Derivatives:** If an active market exists, the fair value of our derivative financial instruments called "to be announced" securities (TBAs) is based on currently quoted market prices. We had TBAs with a notional value of \$28.3 million and \$8.9 million as of June 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, respectively, which were used to manage exposure to interest rate risk and changes in the fair value of loans held for sale and the interest rate lock commitments that are determined prior to funding. These derivatives were recorded on a net basis using Level 1 fair value inputs. Net losses related to TBAs sold, combined with fair value gains on the TBAs, resulted in a net loss of \$20 thousand for the six months ended June 30, 2015, compared to a net loss of \$254 thousand for the same period of 2014. These were included in "Fee and miscellaneous income, net" in the Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income.

##### **Non-Recurring Basis**

We may also be required, from time to time, to measure certain assets at fair value on a non-recurring basis.

The following represents a summary of the assets, valuation techniques, and inputs used to measure fair value on a non-recurring basis:

**Impaired Loans:** Represents the carrying amount and related write-downs of loans which were evaluated for individual impairment based on the appraised value of the underlying collateral. When the value of the collateral, less estimated costs to sell, is less than the principal balance of the loan, a specific reserve is established. Costs to sell represent transaction costs and are not included as a component of the asset's fair value. If the process uses independent appraisals and other market-based information, they fall under Level 2. If the process required significant input based on management's knowledge of and judgment about current market conditions, specific issues relating to the collateral and other matters, they fall under Level 3.

**Other property owned:** Represents the fair value and related losses of foreclosed assets that were measured at fair value based on the collateral value, which is generally determined using appraisals, or other indications based on sales of similar properties. Costs to sell represent transaction costs and are not included as a component of the asset's fair value.

Information on assets measured at fair value on a non-recurring basis follows (in thousands):

	<b>As of June 30, 2015</b>				<b>Six months ended</b>	
	<u>Fair Value Measurement Using</u>			<u>Total Fair Value</u>	<u>Total Gains (Losses)</u>	
	<u>Level 1</u>	<u>Level 2</u>	<u>Level 3</u>			
Impaired loans	\$ --	\$ 1,151	\$ 2,146	\$ 3,297	\$ (1,267)	
Other property owned	--	--	1,748	1,748	455	
	<b>As of December 31, 2014</b>				<b>Six months ended</b>	
	<u>Fair Value Measurement Using</u>			<u>Total Fair Value</u>	<u>Total Gains (Losses)</u>	
	<u>Level 1</u>	<u>Level 2</u>	<u>Level 3</u>			
Impaired loans	\$ --	\$ 1,174	\$ 4,792	\$ 5,966	\$ 1,357	
Other property owned	--	--	4,322	4,322	(95)	

**NOTE 6: SUBSEQUENT EVENTS**

We have evaluated subsequent events through August 5, 2015, which is the date the consolidated financial statements were available to be issued. There have been no material subsequent events that would require recognition in our Quarterly Report or disclosure in the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.