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WVDA ACCEPTING 2015 'WOMEN IN AGRICULTURE' NOMINATIONS

The West Virginia Department of Agriculture (WVDA) is seeking nominations for the 2015 “West Virginia Women in Agriculture” program. Nominations are due by June 1, and those making the nominations are asked to provide as much detail about the nominee’s agricultural career as possible.

Induction is granted to those women who have made significant contributions to the establishment, development, advancement or improvement of West Virginia agriculture, forestry or specialty crops in the Mountain State. Biographies of the selected women will be featured on WVDA displays during the State Fair of West Virginia.

“Farms have been the backbone of West Virginia since it was founded, and women are the backbones of those farms,” said Commissioner of Agriculture Walt Helmick. “I’m sure there are plenty of potential nominees out there, so I encourage their friends and families to put an entry together and submit so that their special ‘woman in agriculture’ can receive the credit she deserves.”

Nomination forms can be obtained by contacting the WVDA Marketing and Development Division at 304-558-2210, via e-mail to tfitzsimmons@wvda.us or on the Department’s website at www.wvagriculture.org.

Completed applications must be returned to: Tracy Fitzsimmons, WV Department of Agriculture, 1900 Kanawha Blvd., E, Charleston, WV 25305, or to tfitzsimmons@wvda.us.