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About

Maureen Wicks was appointed by the Biden Administration to serve as the State Executive Director of the USDA Farm Service Agency (FSA) in Montana in June 2022.

Wicks is a dryland wheat farmer from Liberty County, Montana, who has been working for Montana farmers for more than 30 years. From 1985 to 1995, she was heavily involved in Women Involved in Farm Economics (WIFE). She served as the Hi-Line Chapter President and helped lead several lobbying trips to Washington, D.C. to champion family farm policy issues. In 1998, Wicks was the first female elected to the Liberty County FSA County Committee, where she served for 16 years.

In 2014, Wicks was elected to serve as a Liberty County Commissioner and was re-elected in 2021. During her time as Commissioner, Wicks served on the Montana Association of Counties Agriculture Committee, Liberty County Mental Health Advisory Board, and The Liberty County Council on Aging. She has also served on the Tiber County Water Board, the Bear Paw Development Board, and the Liberty Medical Center Board. Wicks is a member of Montana Grain Growers and the Montana Farmer's Union.

Wicks earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in political science and government from Montana State University and taught government/social studies for more than 15 years in both rural and urban school districts in Montana.

Wicks and her late husband, Russ, have three children and three grandchildren. In her spare time, she enjoys walking, kayaking, traveling, reading, and history.