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About

Eric Scherer was appointed by the Biden Administration to serve as the State Executive Director of the USDA Farm Service Agency (FSA) in Rhode Island in April 2022.

Scherer has 37 years of federal service working for USDA's Natural Resources Conservation Service in six states in various positions, including State Resource Conservationist and Assistant State Conservationist for Field Operations in Warwick, Rhode Island.

He was a USDA certified Technical Service Provider and Conservation Planner providing technical support to the public and private sectors on natural resource issues that include land use and environmental impact. Scherer also helped agricultural producers with comprehensive nutrient management plans and grazing management plans for USDA program participation and the Rhode Island Farm, Forest, and Open Space Program. Prior to his

work as a technical consultant, Scherer was the Executive Director of the Southern Rhode Island Conservation District.

Scherer was one of 14 presidentially appointed River Navigators in the United States for the Hudson River in New York. In this position he served as the Natural Resource Manager and was the federal representative to the Hudson River Community for the presidentially designated American Heritage River Initiative.

He earned a Bachelor of Science in agronomy from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University as well as a Master's in public administration with a focus in organizational development from the University of Hartford in Connecticut.

Scherer lives in Rhode Island with his wife of 42 years, Linda. He enjoys spending time with his three children and five grandchildren.

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