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Brian Dandel State Executive Director, Washington

Brian Dandel was appointed by the Trump Administration to serve as the state executive director of the Washington USDA Farm Service Agency (FSA) in September 2017.

Dandel, a lifelong Washington state resident, is from the small eastern Washington town of Republic.

In 2010, Dandel was elected as a Ferry County Commissioner on a platform that included promoting natural resource extraction and agricultural production. In 2013, Dandel became a Washington State Senator for the 7th legislative district.

During his tenure in the Washington State Legislature, Dandel served as the vice chair of both the Senate Agriculture Committee, as well as the Senate Natural Resources Committee. His landmark legislation was a bill signed into law that allowed rural counties the ability to opt out of the Growth Management Act, and returned decision making authority back to private property owners.

In January 2017, Dandel was asked to join the Trump Administration in Washington D.C., as a Special Assistant to the Secretary of Agriculture. Dandel advised the new Administration on rural, agricultural issues and was asked to help develop the Task Force on Agriculture and Rural Prosperity, in conjunction with the National Economic Council.

Dandel enjoys spending time with his wife, Carrie, and their son, Gavin.