# FIRST QUARTER 2023

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#### **CERTIFICATION**

The undersigned certify that we have reviewed the March 31, 2023 quarterly report of Central Kentucky Agricultural Credit Association, that the report has been prepared under the oversight of the Audit Committee of the Board of Directors and in accordance with all applicable statutory or regulatory requirements, and that the information contained herein is true, accurate, and complete to the best of our knowledge and belief.

Johnathan Noe

Chief Executive Officer

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May 9, 2023

# Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations

(dollars in thousands)

The following commentary reviews the financial condition and results of operations of Central Kentucky Agricultural Credit Association (the Association) for the period ended March 31, 2023. These comments should be read in conjunction with the accompanying consolidated financial statements, notes to the consolidated financial statements and the 2022 Annual Report of the Association. The accompanying consolidated financial statements were prepared under the oversight of the Audit Committee of the Board of Directors.

#### LOAN PORTFOLIO

The Association provides funds to farmers, rural homeowners and farm-related businesses for financing of short and intermediate-term loans and long-term real estate mortgage loans. The Association's loan portfolio is diversified over a range of agricultural commodities in our region. The predominate enterprises are beef cattle and thoroughbred horses. The cattle industry has recovered from the effects of an over-supply caused by the pandemic. Prices for feeder and slaughter cattle are now back in line with more typical market conditions. There is optimism going into late 2023 for beef producers as cattle numbers nationwide are down, driving up demand. The equine industry has also withstood the pandemic and is performing well. Horse sales and races have for the most part resumed. Thoroughbred sales during 2022 were strong on the high end of the market, as well as the equine real estate market. The grain market has seen vast improvement as well with improved commodity pricing based on uncertainty in exports from the Ukraine-Russia corridor. Grain producers in our territory experienced both high prices and strong yields in 2022, making for a very profitable year for the industry. The outlook for 2023 is positive as well as prices appear to be holding strong for the time being. Optimism around both crops and cattle is being tempered by concerns of high input costs for production farm operations. Farm size varies and many of the borrowers in the region have diversified farming operations. This factor, along with the numerous opportunities for non-farm employment in the area, significantly reduces the level of dependency on a given commodity.

The gross loan volume of the Association as of March 31, 2023 was \$783,591, an increase of \$597 as compared to \$782,994 at December 31, 2022. Net loans outstanding at March 31, 2023 were \$683,493 as compared to \$682,488 at December 31, 2022. Net loans accounted for 96.80 percent of total assets at March 31, 2023, as compared to 96.54 percent of total assets at December 31, 2022. The increase in gross and net loan volume during the reporting period is due to growth in both real estate loans and production loans.

There is an inherent risk in the extension of any type of credit. However, portfolio credit quality continues to be maintained at an acceptable level and credit administration remains satisfactory. Nonaccrual loans increased from \$1,009 at December 31, 2022, to \$1,059 at March 31, 2023. This increase is primarily due to the transfer of one delinquent loan to nonaccrual status.

Association management maintains an allowance for loan losses in an amount considered sufficient to absorb possible losses in the loan portfolio based on current and expected future conditions. The \$2,287 allowance for loan losses at March 31, 2023 reflected a decrease of \$2,130 as compared to December 31, 2022, and was considered by management to be adequate to cover possible losses.

#### RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

#### For the three months ended March 31, 2023

Net income for the three months ended March 31, 2023 totaled \$2,990 as compared to \$3,004 for the same period in 2022. Net interest income increased \$620 for the three months ended March 31, 2023 as compared to the same period in 2022. The Association recorded a \$505 provision for loan losses for the three months ended March 31, 2023, and no provision for loan losses for the same period in 2022.

At March 31, 2023, interest income on accruing loans increased \$1,706 compared to March 31, 2022. The Association recorded nonaccrual income of \$4 for the three months ended March 31, 2023, as compared to \$11 for the same period in 2022. Interest expense increased \$1,080 for the three months ended March 31, 2023 as compared to the comparable period of 2022. Movement in interest income and expense is primarily attributed to an increase in interest rates and an early-year reduction in the Association's direct note from receipt of patronage from the AgFirst Farm Credit Bank (Bank). Noninterest income for the three months ended March 31, 2023 totaled \$1,425 as compared to \$1,443 for the same period of 2022, a decrease of \$18. The primary factor contributing to the decrease in noninterest income was a reduction in fee income resulting from slower loan volume growth as compared to the same period in 2022.

Noninterest expense for the three months ended March 31, 2023 increased \$113 compared to the same period of 2022. The increase is due primarily to an increase in FCSIC premium expense and an increase in the cost of professional services.

The Association recorded no provision for income taxes for the three months ended March 31, 2023, as compared to a provision for income taxes of \$2 for the same period in 2022.

#### LIBOR Transition

The Association has exposure to LIBOR arising from loans made to customers and Systemwide Debt Securities issued by the Funding Corporation on the Bank's behalf.

The FCA has issued guidelines with similar guidance as the U.S. prudential regulators but applicable for System institutions to follow as they prepare for the expected phase-out of LIBOR. The guidelines direct each System institution to develop a LIBOR transition plan designed to provide an orderly roadmap of actions that will reduce LIBOR exposure, stop the inflow of new LIBOR volume, and adjust operating processes to implement alternative reference rates.

The Association has implemented LIBOR transition plans and continues to analyze potential risks associated with LIBOR transition including, but not limited to, financial, market, accounting, operational, legal, tax, reputational, and compliance risks. See the Association's 2022 Annual Report for further discussion on the LIBOR transition.

The following is a summary of Association variable-rate financial instruments tied to LIBOR at March 31, 2023:

(dollars in thousands)	Oue in 2022	(Oı	ue in 2023 n or Before June 30)	_	ue After June 20, 2023	,	Γotal
Loans	\$ _	\$	83	\$	688	\$	771
Total Assets	\$ _	\$	83	\$	688	\$	771
Note Payable to Bank	\$ _	\$	69	\$	567	\$	636
Total Liabilities	\$ _	\$	69	\$	567	\$	636

The LIBOR transition plan includes implementing fallback language into variable-rate financial instruments maturing after June 30, 2023 which provides the ability to move these instruments to another index if the LIBOR market is no longer viable.

#### CAPITAL RESOURCES

Total members' equity at March 31, 2023 increased to \$138,013 from the December 31, 2022 total of \$132,496. The increase is primarily attributed to the Association's increase in retained earnings as a result of income recorded for the three months ended March 31, 2023. Total capital stock and participation certificates were \$4,394 on March 31, 2023, compared to \$4,403 on December 31, 2022.

The capital regulations 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. Regulatory ratios include common equity tier 1 (CETI) capital, tier 1 capital, and total regulatory capital risk-based ratios. The regulations also include a tier 1 leverage ratio which includes an unallocated retained earnings (URE) and URE equivalents (UREE) component. The permanent capital ratio (PCR) remains in effect.

As of March 31, 2023, the Association's CET1 capital ratio and Tier 1 capital ratio were 19.76 percent, the Total capital ratio was 20.05 percent, the Permanent capital ratio was 19.85 percent, The Tier 1 leverage ratio was 18.33 percent, and the UREE leverage ratio was 17.71 percent. The Association exceeded the minimum regulatory standard for all of the ratios.

#### REGULATORY MATTERS

On April 14, 2022, the FCA approved a final rule that amends certain regulations to address changes in accounting principles generally accepted in the United States. Such changes reflect the Current Expected Credit Losses (CECL) methodology that replaced the incurred loss methodology upon adoption. Credit loss allowances related to loans, lessor's net investments in leases, and held-to-maturity debt securities are included in a System institution's Tier 2 capital up to 1.25 percent of the System institution's total risk weighted assets. Credit loss allowances for available-for-sale debt securities and purchased credit impaired assets are not eligible for inclusion in a System institution's Tier 2 capital. The regulation did not include a transition phase-in period for the CECL day 1 cumulative effect adjustment to retained earnings on a System institution's regulatory capital ratios. In addition, the regulation did not include an exclusion for the CECL day 1 cumulative effective adjustment from the "safe harbor" deemed prior approval provision. The final rule became effective on January 1, 2023.

On August 26, 2021, the FCA issued a proposed rule to revise its regulatory capital requirements to define and establish risk-weightings for High Volatility Commercial Real Estate (HVCRE) by assigning a 150 percent risk-weighting to such exposures, instead of the current 100 percent. The proposed rule would ensure that the FCA's rule remains comparable with the capital rule of other federal banking regulatory agencies and recognizes the increased risk posed by HVCRE exposures. The public comment period ended on January 24, 2022.

#### RECENTLY ISSUED ACCOUNTING PRONOUNCEMENTS

Please refer to Note 1, Organization, Significant Accounting Policies, and Recently Issued Accounting Pronouncements, in the Notes to the Financial Statements, and the 2022 Annual Report to Shareholders for recently adopted accounting pronouncements. Additional information on new and pending Updates is provided in the following table.

There were no ASUs issued by the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) during the quarter that impacted the Association's Financial Statements.

**NOTE:** Shareholder investment in the Association is materially affected by the financial condition and results of operations of AgFirst Farm Credit Bank. Copies of AgFirst's annual and unaudited quarterly reports are available upon request free of charge by calling 1-800-845-1745, ext. 2764, or by writing Matthew Miller, AgFirst Farm Credit Bank, P.O. Box 1499, Columbia, SC 29202. Information concerning AgFirst Farm Credit Bank can also be obtained at their website, *www.agfirst.com*. Copies of the Association's annual and unaudited quarterly reports are also available upon request free of charge by calling 1-859-253-3249, or writing Thomas Whitaker, Chief Financial Officer, Central Kentucky Agricultural Credit Association, P.O. Box 4100, Lexington, KY 40544-4100, or accessing the website *www.agcreditonline.com*. The Association prepares an unaudited quarterly report within 40 days after the end of each fiscal quarter, except that no report need be prepared for the fiscal quarter that coincides with the end of the fiscal year of the institution.

# **Consolidated Balance Sheets**

(dollars in thousands)	March 31, 2023	De	ecember 31, 2022
	(unaudited)		(audited)
Assets			
Cash	\$ 1,111	\$	1,683
Loans	684,552		683,497
Allowance for loan losses	(2,287)		(4,417)
Net loans	682,265		679,080
Loans held for sale	75		_
Accrued interest receivable	7,239		6,848
Equity investments in other Farm Credit institutions	9,693		9,695
Premises and equipment, net	4,313		4,339
Accounts receivable	1,296		5,232
Other assets	75		71
Total assets	\$ 706,067	\$	706,948
Liabilities			
Notes payable to AgFirst Farm Credit Bank	\$ 559,007	\$	565,072
Accrued interest payable	1,430		1,490
Patronage refunds payable	425		4,680
Accounts payable	1,102		1,474
Advanced conditional payments	3		_
Other liabilities	6,087		1,736
Total liabilities	568,054		574,452
Commitments and contingencies (Note 7)			
Members' Equity			
Capital stock and participation certificates	4,394		4,403
Retained earnings			
Allocated	92,781		95,960
Unallocated	40,838		32,133
Total members' equity	138,013		132,496
Total liabilities and members' equity	\$ 706,067	\$	706,948

 $\label{thm:companying} \textit{The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements}.$ 

# **Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income**

(unaudited)

	For the Three Ended Mai			
(dollars in thousands)	2023	2022		
Interest Income				
Loans	\$ 8,703	\$ 7,003		
Interest Expense				
Notes payable to AgFirst Farm Credit Bank	4,091	3,011		
Net interest income Provision for credit losses	4,612	3,992		
Provision for credit losses	505			
Net interest income after provision for credit losses	4,107	3,992		
Noninterest Income				
Loan fees	182	229		
Patronage refunds from other Farm Credit institutions	1,241	1,187		
Gains (losses) on sales of rural home loans, net Other noninterest income	1	24		
Other nonlinerest income	<del></del>	3		
Total noninterest income	1,424	1,443		
Noninterest Expense				
Salaries and employee benefits	1,657	1,657		
Occupancy and equipment	101	78		
Insurance Fund premiums Purchased services	223 119	186 110		
Data processing	25	21		
Other operating expenses	416	377		
Total noninterest expense	2,541	2,429		
Income before income taxes	2,990	3,006		
Provision for income taxes		2		
Net income	\$ 2,990	\$ 3,004		
Other comprehensive income		_		
Comprehensive income	\$ 2,990	\$ 3,004		

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

# Consolidated Statements of Changes in Members' Equity

(unaudited)

(dollars in thousands)	Sto Part	apital ock and icipation tificates		Retained llocated	Total Members' Equity			
(uonars in inousanas)	Cti	tilicates	А	inocatcu	Unallocated			Equity
Balance at December 31, 2021 Comprehensive income	\$	4,360	\$	86,217	\$	29,223 3,004	\$	119,800 3,004
Patronage distribution adjustment				390		(718)		(328)
Balance at March 31, 2022	\$	4,360	\$	86,607	\$	31,509	\$	122,476
Balance at December 31, 2022 Cumulative effect of change in	\$	4,403	\$	95,960	\$	32,133	\$	132,496
accounting principle Comprehensive income						2,541 2,990		2,541 2,990
Capital stock/participation certificates issued/(retired), net		(9)		(2.150)		2.154		(9)
Patronage distribution adjustment				(3,179)		3,174		(5)
Balance at March 31, 2023	\$	4,394	\$	92,781	\$	40,838	\$	138,013

 $\label{thm:companying} \textit{The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements}.$ 

## **Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements**

(dollars in thousands, except as noted)
(unaudited)

#### Note 1 — Organization, Significant Accounting Policies, and Recently Issued Accounting Pronouncements

#### **Organization**

The accompanying financial statements include the accounts of Central Kentucky Agricultural Credit Association and its Production Credit Association (PCA) and Federal Land Credit Association (FLCA) subsidiaries (collectively, the Association). A description of the organization and operations, the significant accounting policies followed, and the financial condition and results of operations for the Association as of and for the year ended December 31, 2022, are contained in the 2022 Annual Report to Shareholders. These unaudited interim consolidated financial statements should be read in conjunction with the latest Annual Report to Shareholders.

#### **Basis of Presentation**

In the opinion of management, the accompanying consolidated financial statements contain all adjustments necessary for a fair statement of results for the periods presented. These adjustments are of a normal recurring nature, unless otherwise disclosed.

Certain amounts in the prior period's consolidated financial statements have been reclassified to conform to the current period presentation. Such reclassifications had no effect on the prior period net income or total capital as previously reported.

The results of any interim period are not necessarily indicative of those to be expected for a full year.

#### Significant Accounting Policies

The Association's accounting and reporting policies conform with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) and practices in the financial services industry. To prepare the financial statements in conformity with GAAP, management must make estimates based on assumptions about future economic and market conditions (for example, unemployment, market liquidity, real estate prices, etc.) that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements, income and expenses during the reporting period, and the related disclosures. Although these estimates contemplate current conditions and expectations of change in the future, it is reasonably possible that actual conditions may be different than anticipated, which could materially affect results of operations and financial condition.

Management has made significant estimates in several areas, including loans and allowance for credit losses (Note 2, *Loans and Allowance for Credit Losses*) and financial instruments (Note 5, *Fair Value Measurement*). Actual results could differ from those estimates.

For further details of significant accounting policies, see Note 2, Summary of Significant Accounting Policies, from the latest Annual Report.

#### Accounting Standards Effective During the Period

The Association adopted the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) guidance entitled "Measurement of Credit Losses on Financial Instruments" and other subsequently issued accounting standards updates related to current expected credit losses (CECL) on January 1, 2023. This guidance replaced the current incurred loss impairment methodology with a single allowance framework for financial assets carried at amortized cost and certain off-balance sheet credit exposures. This guidance requires management to consider in its estimate of the allowance for credit losses (ACL) relevant historical events, current conditions and reasonable and supportable forecasts that affect the collectability of the assets. In addition, the guidance amends existing impairment guidance for held-to-maturity and available-for-sale investments to incorporate an allowance for credit losses related to these securities, which will allow for the reversal of credit impairments in the event that the credit of an issuer improves.

Also adopted effective January 1, 2023, was the updated guidance entitled "Financial Instruments – Credit Losses: Troubled Debt Restructurings and Vintage Disclosure." This guidance requires the creditor to determine whether a modification results in a new loan or a continuation of an existing loan, among other disclosures specific to modifications with borrowers that are experiencing financial

difficulties. The update eliminated the accounting guidance for troubled debt restructurings by creditors. The update also requires disclosure of current period gross write-offs by year of origination for financing receivables and net investments in leases.

The following table presents the impact to the allowance for credit losses and retained earnings upon adoption of this guidance on January 1, 2023:

	Dec	ember 31, 2022	CEC	L Adoption Impact	Jai	nuary 1, 2023	_
Assets: Allowance for credit losses on loans Liabilities:	\$	4,417	\$	(2,585)	\$	1,832	-
Allowance for credit losses on unfunded commitments Retained earnings:	\$	-	\$	44	\$	44	
Unallocated retained earnings	\$	32,133	\$	2,541	\$	34,674	

#### Loans and Allowance for Credit Losses

Loans are generally carried at their principal amount outstanding adjusted for charge-offs, deferred loan fees or costs, and valuation adjustments relating to hedging activities. Loan origination fees and direct loan origination costs are netted and capitalized and the net fee or cost is amortized over the average life of the related loan as an adjustment to interest income. Loan prepayment fees are reported in interest income. Interest on loans is accrued and credited to interest income based on the daily principal amount outstanding.

#### Nonaccrual Loans

Nonaccrual loans are loans for which there is reasonable doubt that all principal and interest will be collected according to the original contractual terms and are generally considered substandard or doubtful, which is in accordance with the loan rating model, as described below. A loan is considered contractually past due when any principal repayment or interest payment required by the loan instrument is not received on or before the due date. A loan shall remain contractually past due until it is modified or until the entire amount past due, including principal, accrued interest, and penalty interest incurred as the result of past due status, is collected or otherwise discharged in full.

Consistent with prior practice, loans are generally placed in nonaccrual status when principal or interest is delinquent for 90 days (unless adequately secured and in the process of collection), circumstances indicate that collection of principal and interest is in doubt or legal action, including foreclosure or other forms of collateral conveyance, has been initiated to collect the outstanding principal and interest. At the time a loan is placed in nonaccrual status, accrued interest that is considered uncollectible is reversed (if accrued in the current year) or charged against the ACL (if accrued in prior years). Loans are charged-off at the time they are determined to be uncollectible.

When loans are in nonaccrual status, interest payments received in cash are generally recognized as interest income if the collectability of the loan principal is fully expected and certain other criteria are met. Otherwise, payments received on nonaccrual loans are applied against the recorded investment in the loan asset. Nonaccrual loans are returned to accrual status if all contractual principal and interest is current, the borrower is fully expected to fulfill the contractual repayment terms and after remaining current as to principal and interest for a sustained period or have a recent repayment pattern demonstrating future repayment capacity to make on-time payments. If previously unrecognized interest income exists at the time the loan is transferred to accrual status, cash received at the time of or subsequent to the transfer should first be recorded as interest income until such time as the recorded balance equals the contractual indebtedness of the borrower.

#### Accrued interest receivable

The Association elected to continue classifying accrued interest on loans and investment securities in accrued interest receivable and not as part of loans or investments on the Consolidated Balance Sheets. The Association also elected to not estimate an allowance on interest receivable balances because the nonaccrual policies in place provide for the accrual of interest to cease on a timely basis when all contractual amounts are not expected.

Loan Modifications to Borrowers Experiencing Financial Difficulty

Loan modifications may be granted to borrowers experiencing financial difficulty. Modifications can be in the form of one or a combination of principal forgiveness, interest rate reduction, other-than-insignificant payment delay or a term extension. Covenant waivers and modifications of contingent acceleration clauses are not considered term extensions.

#### Collateral dependent loans

Collateral dependent loans are loans secured by collateral, including but not limited to agricultural real estate, crop inventory, equipment and livestock. CECL requires an entity to measure the expected credit losses based on fair value of the collateral at the reporting date when the entity determines that foreclosure is probable. Additionally, CECL allows a fair value practical expedient as a measurement approach for loans when the repayment is expected to be provided substantially through the operation or sale of the collateral when the borrower is experiencing financial difficulties. Under the practical expedient measurement approach, the expected credit loss is based on the difference between the fair value of the collateral less estimated costs to sell and the amortized cost basis of the loan.

#### Allowance for Credit Losses

Beginning January 1, 2023, the ACL represents the estimated current expected credit losses over the remaining contractual life of financial assets measured at amortized cost and certain off-balance sheet credit exposures. The ACL takes into consideration relevant information about past events, current conditions and reasonable and supportable macroeconomic forecasts of future conditions. The contractual term excludes expected extensions, renewals and modifications unless the extension or renewal options are not unconditionally cancellable. The ACL comprises:

- the allowance for credit losses on loans (ACLL)
- the allowance for unfunded commitments, which is presented on the Consolidated Balance Sheets in Other Liabilities, and
- (if applicable) the allowance for credit losses on investment securities, which covers held-to-maturity and available-for-sale securities and is recognized within each investment securities classification on the Consolidated Balance Sheets.

Determining the appropriateness of the allowance is complex and requires judgment by management about the effect of matters that are inherently uncertain. Subsequent evaluations of the loan portfolio, considering macroeconomic conditions, forecasts and other factors prevailing at the time, may result in significant changes in the ACL in those future periods.

Methodology for Allowance for Credit Losses on Loans

The ACLL represents management's estimate of credit losses over the remaining expected life of loans. Loans are evaluated on the amortized cost basis, including premiums, discounts and fair value hedge accounting adjustments.

The Association employs a disciplined process and methodology to establish its ACLL that has two basic components: first, an asset-specific component involving individual loans that do not share risk characteristics with other loans and the measurement of expected credit losses for such individual loans; and second, a pooled component for estimated expected credit losses for pools of loans that share similar risk characteristics.

Asset-specific loans are generally collateral-dependent loans (including those loans for which foreclosure is probable) and nonaccrual loans. For an asset-specific loan, expected credit losses are measured as the difference between the amortized cost basis in the loan and the present value of expected future cash flows discounted at the loan's effective interest rate except that, for collateral-dependent loans, credit loss is measured as the difference between the amortized cost basis in the loan and the fair value of the underlying collateral. The fair value of the collateral is adjusted for the estimated cost to sell if repayment or satisfaction of a loan is dependent on the sale (rather than only on the operation) of the collateral. In accordance with the Association's appraisal policy, the fair value of collateral-dependent loans is based upon independent third-party appraisals or on collateral valuations prepared by in-house appraisers. When an updated appraisal or collateral valuation is received, management reassesses the need for adjustments to the loan's expected credit loss measurements and, where appropriate, records an adjustment. If the calculated expected credit loss is determined to be permanent, fixed or non-recoverable, the credit loss portion of the loan will be charged off against the allowance for credit losses.

In estimating the component of the ACLL for loans that share common risk characteristics, loans are evaluated collectively and segregated into loan pools considering the risk associated with the specific pool. Relevant risk characteristics include loan type, commodity, credit quality rating, delinquency category or business segment or a combination of these classes. The allowance is determined based on a quantitative calculation of the expected life-of-loan loss percentage for each loan category by considering the probability of default, based on the migration of loans from performing to loss by credit quality rating or delinquency buckets using historical life-of-loan analysis periods for loan types, and the severity of loss, based on the aggregate net lifetime losses incurred per loan pool.

The component of the ACLL also considers factors for each loan pool to adjust for differences between the historical period used to calculate historical default and loss severity rates and expected conditions over the remaining lives of the loans in the portfolio related to:

- lending policies and procedures;
- national, regional and local economic business conditions and developments that affect the collectability of the portfolio, including the condition of various markets;
- the nature of the loan portfolio, including the terms of the loans;
- the experience, ability and depth of the lending management and other relevant staff;
- the volume and severity of past due and adversely classified or graded loans and the volume of nonaccrual loans;
- the quality of the loan review and process;
- the value of underlying collateral for collateral-dependent loans;
- the existence and effect of any concentrations of credit and changes in the level of such concentrations; and
- the effect of external factors such as competition and legal and regulatory requirements on the level of estimated credit losses in the existing portfolio.

The Association's macroeconomic forecast includes a weighted selection of the Moody's baseline, upside 10th percent and downside 90th percent over reasonable and supportable forecast periods of three years. Subsequent to the forecast period, the Association reverts to long run historical loss experience beyond two years gradually after the determined forecast horizon using a transition function to inform the estimate of losses for the remaining contractual life of the loan portfolio.

The economic forecasts incorporate macroeconomic variables, including unemployment rates, Dow Jones Total Stock Market Index and corporate bond spreads. Also considered are loan and borrower characteristics, such as internal risk ratings, delinquency status, collateral type, and the remaining term of the loan, adjusted for expected prepayments.

In addition to the quantitative calculation, the Association considers the imprecision inherent in the process and methodology, emerging risk assessments and other subjective factors, which may lead to a management adjustment to the modeled ACLL results. Expected credit loss estimates also include consideration of expected cash recoveries on loans previously charged-off or expected recoveries on collateral dependent loans where recovery is expected through sale of the collateral. The economic forecasts are updated on a quarterly basis.

Prior to January 1, 2023, the allowance for loan losses was maintained at a level considered adequate to provide for probable losses existing in and inherent in the loan portfolio. The allowance was based on a periodic evaluation of the loan portfolio in which numerous factors were considered, including economic conditions, collateral values, borrowers' financial conditions, loan portfolio composition and prior loan loss experience. The allowance for loan losses encompassed various judgments, evaluations and appraisals with respect to the loans and their underlying collateral that, by their nature, contain elements of uncertainty and imprecision. Changes in the agricultural economy and their impact on borrower repayment capacity would cause these various judgments, evaluations and appraisals to change over time. Management considered a number of factors in determining and supporting the levels of the allowance for loan losses, which included, but were not limited to, the concentration of lending in agriculture, combined with uncertainties associated with farmland values, commodity prices, exports, government assistance programs, regional economic effects and weather-related influences.

Allowance for Credit Losses on Unfunded Commitments

The Association evaluates the need for an allowance for credit losses on unfunded commitments under CECL and, if required, an amount is recognized and included in Other Liabilities on the Consolidated Balance Sheets. The amount of expected losses is determined by calculating a commitment usage factor over the contractual period for exposures that are not unconditionally cancellable by the Association and applying the loss factors used in the ACLL methodology to the results of the usage calculation. No allowance for credit losses is recorded for commitments that are unconditionally cancellable.

#### Note 2 — Loans and Allowance for Credit Losses

A summary of loans outstanding at period end follows:

	March 31, 2023	December 31, 2022
Real estate mortgage	\$ 500,177	\$ 497,391
Production and intermediate-term	162,841	162,989
Agribusiness:		
Processing and marketing	5,223	5,289
Farm-related business	7,138	8,496
Rural residential real estate	 9,173	9,332
Total loans	\$ 684,552	\$ 683,497

A substantial portion of the Association's lending activities is collateralized, and exposure to credit loss associated with lending activities is reduced accordingly.

The Association may purchase or sell participation interests with other parties in order to diversify risk, manage loan volume, and comply with Farm Credit Administration (FCA) regulations. The following tables present the principal balance of participation loans at periods ended:

		March 31, 2023														
	V	ithin AgF	`irst	District	Within Farm Credit System				Outside Farm Credit System				Total			
	Part	ticipations	Pa	rticipations	Parti	cipations	Par	ticipations	Par	ticipations	Par	ticipations	Par	ticipations	Par	ticipations
	Pu	ırchased		Sold	Pur	chased		Sold	Pι	urchased		Sold	Pι	ırchased		Sold
Real estate mortgage	\$	-	\$	66,453	\$	-	\$	-	\$	2,952	\$	13,410	\$	2,952	\$	79,863
Production and intermediate-term		_		14,503		36		_		_		1,562		36		16,065
Agribusiness		681		3,270		_		_		_		752		681		4,022
Total	\$	681	\$	84,226	\$	36	\$	_	\$	2,952	\$	15,724	\$	3,669	\$	99,950

								December	r 31,	2022						
	W	Vithin AgF	irst l	District	Within Farm Credit System					tside Farm	dit System	Total				
	Part	icipations	Par	ticipations	Part	icipations	Par	ticipations	Par	ticipations	Par	ticipations	Par	ticipations	Par	ticipations
	Pu	rchased		Sold	Pu	rchased		Sold	Pı	urchased		Sold	Pı	ırchased		Sold
Real estate mortgage	\$	_	\$	67,495	\$	_	\$	_	\$	2,982	\$	12,705	\$	2,982	\$	80,200
Production and intermediate-term		-		14,749		134		-		_		1,239		134		15,988
Agribusiness		690		3,407		-		-		_		762		690		4,169
Total	\$	690	\$	85,651	\$	134	\$	-	\$	2,982	\$	14,706	\$	3,806	\$	100,357

The following table shows the loans, classified under the FCA Uniform Loan Classification System, as a percentage of total loans by loan type as of:

	March 31, 2023	December 31, 2022*
Real estate mortgage:		
Acceptable	97.83%	98.41%
OAEM	1.81	1.21
Substandard/doubtful/loss	0.36	0.38
_	100.00%	100.00%
Production and intermediate-term:		
Acceptable	98.08%	98.35%
OAEM	1.66	1.37
Substandard/doubtful/loss	0.26	0.28
	100.00%	100.00%
Agribusiness:		
Acceptable	65.18%	100.00%
OAEM	34.82	-
Substandard/doubtful/loss	-	_
_	100.00%	100.00%
Rural residential real estate:		
Acceptable	96.06%	96.04%
OAEM	3.32	3.32
Substandard/doubtful/loss	0.62	0.64
_	100.00%	100.00%
Total loans:		
Acceptable	97.28%	98.39%
OAEM	2.39	1.25
Substandard/doubtful/loss	0.33	0.36
_	100.00%	100.00%
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<sup>\*</sup>Prior to adoption of CECL on January 1, 2023, loans were presented with accrued interest receivable.

Accrued interest receivable on loans of \$7,239 and \$6,848 at March 31, 2023 and December 31, 2022, respectively, has been excluded from the amortized cost of loans and reported separately in the Consolidated Balance Sheets.

The following table provides an aging analysis of past due loans as of:

				Ma	irch 3	1, 2023				
	Through 89 Days Past Due	90 Days or More Past Due		otal Past Due	01	ot Past Due Less Than Days Past Due	Т	otal Loans	Mor	Days or e Past Due Accruing
Real estate mortgage	\$ 318	\$ 56	\$	374	\$	499,803	\$	500,177	\$	_
Production and intermediate-term	1,877	329		2,206		160,635		162,841		_
Agribusiness	_	-		_		12,361		12,361		_
Rural residential real estate	 -	-		-		9,173		9,173		_
Total	\$ 2,195	\$ 385	\$	2,580	\$	681,972	\$	684,552	\$	_

Prior to the adoption of CECL, the aging analysis of past due loans reported included accrued interest as follows:

				Dece	mber	· 31, 2022				
	Through 89 Days Past Due	Days or lore Past Due	Т	otal Past Due	01	ot Past Due Less Than Days Past Due	1	<b>Cotal Loans</b>	Mor	Days or re Past Due Accruing
Real estate mortgage	\$ 671	\$ 400	\$	1,071	\$	500,217	\$	501,288	\$	_
Production and intermediate-term	456	299		755		165,035		165,790		_
Agribusiness	3,050	_		3,050		10,865		13,915		_
Rural residential real estate	-	-		-		9,352		9,352		_
Total	\$ 4,177	\$ 699	\$	4,876	\$	685,469	\$	690,345	\$	-

The following tables reflect nonperforming assets and related credit quality statistics as of:

	Ma	arch 31, 2023
Nonaccrual loans:		<u> </u>
Real estate mortgage	\$	540
Production and intermediate-term		425
Rural residential real estate		94
Total	\$	1,059
Accruing loans 90 days or more past due: Total	\$	-
Total nonperforming loans Other property owned	\$	1,059
Total nonperforming assets	\$	1,059
Nonaccrual loans as a percentage of total loans Nonperforming assets as a percentage of total		0.15%
loans and other property owned		0.15%
Nonperforming assets as a percentage of capital		0.77%

	Dece	December 31, 2022*			
Nonaccrual loans:					
Real estate mortgage	\$	567			
Production and intermediate-term		343			
Rural residential real estate		99			
Total	\$	1,009			
Accruing restructured loans:					
Real estate mortgage	\$	987			
Production and intermediate-term		492			
Total	\$	1,479			
Accruing loans 90 days or more past due:					
Total	\$	_			
Total nonperforming loans Other property owned	\$	2,488			
Total nonperforming assets	\$	2,488			
Nonaccrual loans as a percentage of total loans Nonperforming assets as a percentage of total		0.15%			
loans and other property owned		0.36%			
Nonperforming assets as a percentage of capital		1.88%			

 $<sup>\</sup>hbox{*{\it Prior} to adoption of CECL, nonperforming assets included accruing restructured loans and loans were presented including}$ accrued interest receivable.

The following table provides the amortized cost for nonaccrual loans, with and without a related allowance for loan losses, and interest income recognized on nonaccrual loans during the period:

			Mar	ch 31, 202	3			ree Months ed March 31, 2023
Nonaccrual loans:	C	nortized ost with lowance	without			Total	Interest Income Recognized on Nonaccrual Loans	
Real estate mortgage Production and intermediate-term Rural residential real estate	\$	202 –	\$	540 223 94	\$	540 425 94	\$	2 2 -
Total	\$	202	\$	857	\$	1,059	\$	4

Effective January 1, 2023, the Association adopted the CECL accounting guidance as described in Note 1. A summary of changes in the allowance for credit losses by portfolio segment is as follows:

		al Estate ortgage	 oduction and termediate- term	Agribusiness			Rural Residential Real Estate		Total	
Allowance for Loan Losses:										
Balance at December 31, 2022	\$	3,668	\$ 678	\$	43	\$	28	\$	4,417	
Cumulative effect of a change in accounting principle		(2,429)	(134)		(21)		(1)		(2,585)	
Balance at January 1, 2023	\$	1,239	\$ 544	\$	22	\$	27	\$	1,832	
Charge-offs		(17)	(17)		_		_		(34)	
Recoveries		-	_		_		_		_	
Provision for loan losses		344	127		17		1		489	
Balance at March 31, 2023	\$	1,566	\$ 654	\$	39	\$	28	\$	2,287	
Allowance for Unfunded Commitments:										
Balance at December 31, 2022	\$	-	\$ _	\$	_	\$		\$	_	
Cumulative effect of a change in accounting principle		-	43		1		_		44	
Balance at January 1, 2023	\$	-	\$ 43	\$	1	\$	-	\$	44	
Provision for unfunded commitments		-	15		1		_		16	
Balance at March 31, 2023	\$	_	\$ 58	\$	2	\$	_	\$	60	
Total allowance for credit losses	\$	1,566	\$ 712	\$	41	\$	28	\$	2,347	
Allowance for Loan Losses*:										
Balance at December 31, 2021	\$	3,672	\$ 748	\$	30	\$	26	\$	4,476	
Charge-offs		_	_		_		_		_	
Recoveries		_	_		_		_		_	
Provision for loan losses		(50)	47		2		1		_	
Balance at March 31, 2022	\$	3,622	\$ 795	\$	32	\$	27	\$	4,476	

<sup>\*</sup>For periods prior to January 1, 2023, the allowance for loan losses was based on probable and estimable losses inherent in the loan portfolio.

Loan modifications may be granted to borrowers experiencing financial difficulty. Qualifying disclosable modifications are one, or a combination of, principal forgiveness, interest rate reduction, or a term or payment extension. Covenant waivers and modifications of contingent acceleration clauses are not considered term extensions. Modified loans to borrowers experiencing financial difficulty and activity on these loans were not material during the three months ended March 31, 2023. There were no material commitments to lend to borrowers experiencing financial difficulty whose loans have been modified at March 31, 2023.

Loans held for sale were \$75 and \$0 at March 31, 2023 and December 31, 2022, respectively. Such loans are carried at the lower of cost or fair value.

#### **Troubled Debt Restructurings**

Prior to the adoption of updated FASB guidance on loan modifications on January 1, 2023, a restructuring of a loan constituted a troubled debt restructuring (TDR) if the creditor for economic or legal reasons related to the borrower's financial difficulties granted a concession to the borrower that it would not otherwise consider. Concessions varied by program, were borrower-specific, and could include interest rate reductions, term extensions, payment deferrals or the acceptance of additional collateral in lieu of payments. In limited circumstances, principal may have been forgiven. When a restructured loan constituted a TDR, these loans were included within impaired loans under nonaccrual or accruing restructured loans. There were no new TDRs that occurred during the three months ended March 31, 2022.

Interest concessions may include interest forgiveness and interest deferment. Principal concessions may include principal forgiveness, principal deferment, and maturity extension. Other concessions may include additional compensation received which might be in the form of cash or other assets.

There were no TDRs that occurred during the previous twelve months and for which there was a subsequent payment default during the three months ended March 31, 2022. Payment default is defined as a payment that was thirty days or more past due.

The following table provides information at period end on outstanding loans restructured in troubled debt restructurings. These loans were included as impaired loans:

	December 31, 2022*						
	-	Fotal TDRs	Nonaccrual 7				
Real estate mortgage	\$	1,037	\$	50			
Production and intermediate-term		542		50			
Total loans	\$	1,579	\$	100			
Additional commitments to lend	\$	-					

<sup>\*</sup>Prior to adoption of CECL on January 1, 2023, loans were presented with accrued interest receivable.

#### Note 3 — Investments

#### Equity Investments in Other Farm Credit System Institutions

Equity investments in other Farm Credit System institutions are generally nonmarketable investments consisting of stock and participation certificates, allocated surplus, and reciprocal investments in other institutions regulated by the FCA. These investments are carried at cost and evaluated for impairment based on the ultimate recoverability of the par value rather than by recognizing temporary declines in value.

Associations are required to maintain ownership in AgFirst (AgFirst or the Bank) in the form of Class B or Class C stock as determined by the Bank. The Bank may require additional capital contributions to maintain its capital requirements. The Association owned 2.25 percent of the issued stock and allocated retained earnings of the Bank as of March 31, 2023 net of any reciprocal investment. As of that date, the Bank's assets totaled \$42.6 billion and shareholders' equity totaled \$1.6 billion. The Bank's earnings were \$70 million for the first three months of 2023. In addition, the Association held investments of \$240 related to other Farm Credit institutions.

#### Note 4 — Debt

#### Notes Payable to AgFirst Farm Credit Bank

The Association's indebtedness to the Bank represents borrowings by the Association to fund its earning assets. This indebtedness is collateralized by a pledge of substantially all of the Association's assets. The contractual terms of the revolving line of credit are contained in the General Financing Agreement (GFA). The GFA also defines Association performance criteria for borrowing from the Bank, which includes borrowing base margin, earnings and capital covenants, among others.

#### Note 5 — Fair Value Measurement

Fair value is defined as the exchange price that would be received for an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants in the principal or most advantageous market for the asset or liability.

Accounting guidance establishes a hierarchy for disclosure of fair value measurements to maximize the use of observable inputs, that is, inputs that reflect the assumptions market participants would use in pricing an asset or liability based on market data obtained from sources independent of the reporting entity. The hierarchy is based upon the transparency of inputs to the valuation of an asset or liability as of the measurement date. A financial instrument's categorization within the hierarchy tiers is based upon the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement.

The classifications within the fair value hierarchy are as follows:

Level 1 inputs to the valuation methodology are unadjusted quoted prices for identical assets or liabilities in active markets.

Level 2 inputs include quoted prices for similar assets and liabilities in active markets, quoted prices in markets that are not active; and inputs that are observable, or can be corroborated, for substantially the full term of the asset or liability.

Level 3 inputs are unobservable and supported by little or no market activity. Valuation is determined using pricing models, discounted cash flow methodologies, or similar techniques, and could include significant management judgment or estimation. Level 3 assets and liabilities also could include instruments whose price has been adjusted based on dealer quoted pricing that is different than the thirdparty valuation or internal model pricing.

For a complete discussion of the inputs and other assumptions considered in assigning various assets and liabilities to the fair value hierarchy levels, see the latest Annual Report to Shareholders.

There were no Level 3 assets or liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis for the periods presented. The Association had no transfers of assets or liabilities into or out of Level 1 or Level 2 during the periods presented.

Fair values are estimated at each period end date for assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis. The following tables summarize assets measured at fair value at period end.

		March 31, 2023									
		M		Total Fair							
		Level 1		Level 2		Level 3		Value			
Recurring assets Assets held in trust funds	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-			
Nonrecurring assets Nonaccrual loans Other property owned	\$ \$	_	\$ \$	-	\$ \$	61	\$ \$	61			

	М		Total Fair		
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	-	Value
Recurring assets					
Assets held in trust funds	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$	_
Nonrecurring assets					
Impaired loans*	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 49	\$	49
Other property owned	\$ -	\$ -	\$ _	\$	_

<sup>\*</sup>Prior to the adoption of CECL on January 1, 2023, the fair value of impaired loans included accruing restructured loans and loans past due 90 days and accruing.

#### Valuation Techniques

#### Assets held in trust funds

Assets held in trust funds, related to deferred compensation plans, are classified as Level 1. The trust funds include investments in securities that are actively traded and have quoted net asset value prices that are directly observable in the marketplace.

#### Nonaccrual loans

Fair values of nonaccrual loans are estimated to be the carrying amount of the loan less specific reserves. Certain loans evaluated for impairment under FASB guidance have fair values based upon the underlying collateral, as the loans were collateral-dependent. Specific reserves were established for these loans when the value of the collateral, less estimated cost to sell, was less than the principal balance of the loan. The fair value measurement process uses independent appraisals and other market-based information, but in many cases it also requires significant input based on management's knowledge of and judgment about current market conditions, specific issues relating to the collateral and other matters.

#### Other property owned

For other property owned, the fair value is generally determined using formal appraisals of each individual property. These assets are held for sale. Costs to sell represent transaction costs and are not included as a component of the fair value of other property owned. If the process uses observable market-based information, the assets are classified as Level 2. If the process requires significant input based upon management's knowledge of and judgment about current market conditions, specific issues relating to the property and other matters, the assets are classified as Level 3.

#### Note 6 — Employee Benefit Plans

The following is a table of retirement and other postretirement benefit expenses for the Association:

	 Three M Ma	onths I	
	2023		2022
Pension	\$ 157	\$	167
401(k)	77		76
Other postretirement benefits	22		17
Total	\$ 256	\$	260

Expenses in the above table are computed using allocated estimates of funding for multi-employer plans in which the Association participates. These amounts may change when a total funding amount and allocation is determined by the respective Plan's Sponsor Committee. Also, market conditions could impact discount rates and return on plan assets which could change contributions necessary before the next plan measurement date of December 31, 2023.

Further details regarding employee benefit plans are contained in the 2022 Annual Report to Shareholders.

#### Note 7 — Commitments and Contingent Liabilities

From time to time, legal actions are pending against the Association in which claims for money damages are asserted. On at least a quarterly basis, the Association assesses its liabilities and contingencies in connection with outstanding legal proceedings utilizing the latest information available. While the outcome of legal proceedings is inherently uncertain, on the basis of information presently available, management, after consultation with legal counsel, is of the opinion that the ultimate liability, if any, from these actions, would not be material in relation to the financial position of the Association. Because it is remote that the Association will incur a loss or the loss is not estimable, no liability has been recorded for any claims that may be pending.

#### **Note 8** — **Subsequent Events**

The Association evaluated subsequent events and determined there were none requiring disclosure through May 9, 2023, which was the date the financial statements were issued.