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Media Advisory

Olympia Farmers Market, WSDA encourage additional donations to flooded farmers

WHAT: The Washington State Department of Agriculture, the Olympia Farmers Market and local farmers will introduce the upcoming Farmers Market Week, which begins on Sunday. The importance of farmers markets in raising funds to support rebuilding in the wake of December's devastating Chehalis flood will be the focus of the event. Two farmers who suffered significant damage in the flood will share their stories. The market will encourage additional donations to its private flood relief fund.

WHO: WSDA Acting Director Bob Gore
Mike Peroni, Boistfort Valley Farm
Jennifer Belknap, Rising River Farm

WHERE: Olympia Farmers Market, main stage
700 North Capitol Way, Olympia

WHEN: Thursday, July 31, 12:30 p.m.

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