

# FARM CREDIT OF FLORIDA, ACA

# 2018 ANNUAL REPORT

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# Message from the President & Chief Executive Officer

Another year has come and gone at Farm Credit of Florida, and what a year it has been. I am proud to say that 2018 was a year of continued growth for your Association. We continued with our business plan of becoming a *Bigger*, *Better*, and *Stronger* Association by providing the best service possible to our members and growing the Association.

First, let me begin by thanking our excellent employees, our fantastic board of directors, and of course, you, our loyal customers, without whom none of the good news I am about to share would have been possible.

In 2018, Farm Credit of Florida was excited to expand our crop insurance department, and create a new lifestyle lending department. We also opened two new branch locations in Labelle and Lake Placid, in order to better serve our south Florida market.

While 2018 was a year of exciting growth, 2018 also had its challenges. This year our members saw lower commodity prices across the board and the fastest rise in interest rates since the early 2000's. I am proud to say we were able to stand by you through these challenges and that your Association is stronger than ever.

2018 was a robust year for Farm Credit of Florida, with an overall net income of \$25.3 million, representing a strong ROA of 2.19%. We grew the total assets of the Association by \$33.1 million, which makes our total assets \$1.2 billion at year end. Overall, our members saw their equity in Farm Credit of Florida increase by \$12.7 million, and I am proud to report the Association's loan portfolio has grown by 36.3% over the past 5 years.

Last year, Farm Credit of Florida paid out a record \$11.5 million in cash patronage. I am once again able to report with much pride that due to our strong financial standing, your Farm Credit of Florida Board of Directors have approved to distribute a record \$12.5 million in cash patronage, to be paid in the spring of 2019.

We know there are numerous banks you could do business with, so we strive to deliver superior customer service and provide you with the expertise and financial services you need to continue to improve your operation. I speak for the entire Association when I say that we cannot wait to serve you in 2019, and continue our mission to make Farm Credit of Florida *Bigger, Better, and Stronger*.

Sincerely,

Gregory M. Cunningham

President and Chief Executive Officer

# Report of Management

The accompanying consolidated financial statements and related financial information appearing throughout this annual report have been prepared by management of Farm Credit of Florida, ACA (Association) in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles appropriate in the circumstances. Amounts which must be based on estimates represent the best estimates and judgments of management. Management is responsible for the integrity, objectivity, consistency, and fair presentation of the consolidated financial statements and financial information contained in this report.

Management maintains and depends upon an internal accounting control system designed to provide reasonable assurance that transactions are properly authorized and recorded, that the financial records are reliable as the basis for the preparation of all financial statements, and that the assets of the Association are safeguarded. The design and implementation of all systems of internal control are based on judgments required to evaluate the costs of controls in relation to the expected benefits and to determine the appropriate balance between these costs and benefits. The Association maintains an internal audit program to monitor compliance with the systems of internal accounting control. Audits of the accounting records, accounting systems and internal controls are performed and internal audit reports, including appropriate recommendations for improvement, are submitted to the Board of Directors.

The consolidated financial statements have been audited by independent auditors, whose report appears elsewhere in this annual report. The Association is also subject to examination by the Farm Credit Administration.

The consolidated financial statements, in the opinion of management, fairly present the financial condition of the Association. The undersigned certify that we have reviewed the 2018 Annual Report of Farm Credit of Florida, ACA 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.

Dr. Joseph C. Joyce Chairman of the Board

Gregory M. Cunningham Chief Executive Officer

Laura Craker

Chief Financial Officer

# Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

financial reporting information and the preparation of the over financial reporting" is defined as a process designed persons performing similar functions, and effected by its provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of Board of Directors, management and other personnel, to Consolidated Financial Statements for external purposes Statements. For purposes of this report, "internal control dispositions of the assets of the Association, (2) provide necessary to permit preparation of financial information Association's assets that could have a material effect on directors of the Association, and (3) provide reasonable principal executives and principal financial officers, or reporting for the Association's Consolidated Financial accepted in the United States of America and includes reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of The Association's principal executives and principal those policies and procedures that: (1) pertain to the maintaining adequate internal control over financial accordance with authorizations of management and in accordance with accounting principles generally in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, and that unauthorized acquisition, use or disposition of the by, or under the supervision of the Association's receipts and expenditures are being made only in accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and financial officers, or persons performing similar maintenance of records that in reasonable detail functions, are responsible for establishing and its Consolidated Financial Statements.

The Association's management has completed an assessment of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2018. In making the assessment, management used the framework in *Internal Control*—*Integrated Framework* (2013), promulgated by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission, commonly referred to as the "COSO" criteria.

Based on the assessment performed, the Association's management concluded that as of December 31, 2018, the internal control over financial reporting was effective based upon the COSO criteria. Additionally, based on this assessment, the Association determined that there were no material weaknesses in the internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2018.

Gregory M. Cunningham Chief Executive Officer

Laura Craker Chief Financial Officer

# Consolidated Five - Year Summary of Selected Financial Data

					December 31,						
(dollars in thousands)		2018		2017		2016		2015		2014	
Balance Sheet Data											
Cash	\$	331	\$	211	\$	244	\$	23	\$	36	
Investments in debt securities		4,224		5,467		7,417		10,072		13,063	
Loans		1,163,920		1,131,004		1,032,804		946,900		853,947	
Allowance for loan losses		(9,186)		(7,774)		(6,560)		(6,097)		(6,110	
Net loans		1,154,734		1,123,230		1,026,244		940,803		847,837	
Equity investments in other Farm Credit institutions		14,712		13,940		13,697		13,002		13,684	
Other property owned		73		95		366		5,565		3,845	
Other assets		30,646		28,641		28,362		28,835		32,134	
Total assets	<u> </u>	1,204,720	\$	· ·	\$	1,076,330	\$	998,300	\$	910,599	
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Notes payable to AgFirst Farm Credit Bank*	\$	915,039	\$	894,913	\$	809,137	\$	743,688	\$	662,690	
Accrued interest payable and other liabilities						•0.004				• • • • •	
with maturities of less than one year		24,543		24,261		29,684		27,186		30,847	
Total liabilities		939,582		919,174		838,821		770,874		693,537	
Protected borrower stock		445		445		445		531		554	
Capital stock and participation certificates		2,543		2,452		2,272		2,085		1,961	
Additional paid-in-capital		7,873		7,873		7,873		7,873		7,873	
Retained earnings											
Allocated		118,040		114,789		109,960		106,263		103,837	
Unallocated		136,432		127,089		117,171		110,881		103,079	
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)		(195)		(238)		(212)		(207)		(242)	
Total members' equity		265,138		252,410		237,509		227,426		217,062	
Total liabilities and members' equity	\$	1,204,720	\$	1,171,584	\$	1,076,330	\$	998,300	\$	910,599	
Statement of Income Data											
Net interest income	\$	33,659	\$	30,093	\$	30,109	\$	25,707	\$	26,485	
Provision for (reversal of allowance for) loan losses		2,321		28		(1,101)		(3,446)		(8,117	
Noninterest income (expense), net		(5,993)		(3,817)		(10,722)		(10,425)		(7,099	
Net income	\$	25,345	\$	26,248	\$	20,488	\$	18,728	\$	27,503	
Key Financial Ratios											
Rate of return on average:											
Total assets		2.19%		2.41%		2.04%		2.07%		3.15%	
Total members' equity		9.63%		10.56%		8.58%		8.28%		12.79%	
Net interest income as a percentage of											
average earning assets		2.97%		2.83%		3.09%		2.95%		3.16%	
Net (chargeoffs) recoveries to average loans		(0.080)%		0.112%		0.162%		0.399%		0.832%	
Total members' equity to total assets		22.01%		21.54%		22.07%		22.78%		23.84%	
Debt to members' equity (:1)		3.54		3.64		3.53		3.39		3.20	
Allowance for loan losses to loans		0.79%		0.69%		0.64%		0.64%		0.72%	
Permanent capital ratio		19.88%		19.77%		21.49%		21.62%		22.55%	
Total surplus ratio		**		**		21.35%		21.49%		22.00%	
Core surplus ratio		**		**		21.35%		21.49%		22.00%	
Common equity tier 1 capital ratio		19.73%		19.64%		**		**		*:	
Tier 1 capital ratio		19.73%		19.64%		**		**		*:	
Total regulatory capital ratio		20.52%		20.34%		**		**		**	
Tier 1 leverage ratio		21.84%		21.67%		**		**		4-	
Unallocated retained earnings (URE) and URE equivalents leverage ratio		16.85%		16.37%		**		**		**	
Net Income Distribution		10.00 / 0		10.5 / /0							
Estimated patronage refunds:											
Cash	\$	12,750	\$	11,500	\$	10,500	\$	8,500	\$	7,500	
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Nonqualified retained earnings											

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

(dollars in thousands, except as noted)

### GENERAL OVERVIEW

The following commentary summarizes the financial condition and results of operations of Farm Credit of Florida, ACA, (Association) for the year ended December 31, 2018 with comparisons to the years ended December 31, 2017 and December 31, 2016. This information should be read in conjunction with the Consolidated Financial Statements, Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements and other sections in this Annual Report. The accompanying consolidated financial statements were prepared under the oversight of the Audit Committee of the Board of Directors. For a list of the Audit Committee members, refer to the "Report of the Audit Committee" reflected in this Annual Report. Information in any part of this Annual Report may be incorporated by reference in answer or partial answer to any other item of the Annual Report.

The Association is an institution of the Farm Credit System (System), which was created by Congress in 1916 and has served agricultural producers for more than 100 years. The System's mission is to maintain and improve the income and well-being of American farmers, ranchers, and producers or harvesters of aquatic products and farm-related businesses. The System is the largest agricultural lending organization in the United States. The System is regulated by the Farm Credit Administration, (FCA), which is an independent safety and soundness regulator.

The Association is a cooperative, which is owned by the members (also referred to throughout this Annual Report as stockholders or shareholders) served. The territory of the Association extends across a diverse agricultural region of south and north east Florida. Refer to Note 1, *Organization and Operations*, of the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements for counties in the Association's territory. The Association provides credit to farmers, ranchers, rural residents, and agribusinesses. Our success begins with our extensive agricultural experience and knowledge of the market.

The Association obtains funding from AgFirst Farm Credit Bank (AgFirst or Bank). The Association is materially affected and shareholder investment in the Association may be materially affected by the financial condition and results of operations of the Bank. Copies of the Bank's Annual and Quarterly Reports are on the AgFirst website, *www.agfirst.com*, or may be obtained at no charge by calling 1-800-845-1745, extension 2832, or writing Susanne Caughman, AgFirst Farm Credit Bank, P. O. Box 1499, Columbia, SC 29202.

Copies of the Association's Annual and Quarterly reports are also available upon request free of charge on the Association's website, *www.farmcreditfl.com* or by calling 1-800-432-4156, extension 3070, or writing Laura Craker, Chief Financial Officer, Farm Credit of Florida, ACA, P. O. Box 213069, West Palm Beach, FL 33421. The Association prepares an electronic version of the Annual Report, which is available on the website,

within 75 days after the end of the fiscal year and distributes the Annual Reports to shareholders within 90 days after the end of the fiscal year. The Association prepares an electronic version of the Quarterly report, which is available on the website, within 40 days after the end of each fiscal quarter, except that no report needs to be prepared for the fiscal quarter that coincides with the end of the fiscal year of the Association.

### FORWARD LOOKING INFORMATION

This annual information statement contains forward-looking statements. These statements are not guarantees of future performance and involve certain risks, uncertainties and assumptions that are difficult to predict. Words such as "anticipates," "believes," "could," "estimates," "may," "should," "will," or other variations of these terms are intended to identify the forward-looking statements. These statements are based on assumptions and analyses made in light of experience and other historical trends, current conditions, and expected future developments. However, actual results and developments may differ materially from our expectations and predictions due to a number of risks and uncertainties, many of which are beyond our control. These risks and uncertainties include, but are not limited to:

- political, legal, regulatory and economic conditions and developments in the United States and abroad;
- economic fluctuations in the agricultural, rural utility, international, and farm-related business sectors;
- weather-related, disease, and other adverse climatic or biological conditions that periodically occur that impact agricultural productivity and income;
- changes in United States government support of the agricultural industry and the Farm Credit System, as a government-sponsored enterprise, as well as investor and rating-agency reactions to events involving other government-sponsored enterprises and other financial institutions; and
- actions taken by the Federal Reserve System in implementing monetary policy.

### AGRICULTURAL OUTLOOK

The following United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) analysis provides a general understanding of the U.S. agricultural economic outlook. However, this outlook does not take into account all aspects of the Association's business. References to USDA information in this section refer to the U.S. agricultural market data and are not limited to information/data in the Association's territory.

Production agriculture is a cyclical business that is heavily influenced by commodity prices, weather, tax and trade policies, interest rates and various other factors. From 2010 through 2014, the U.S. farm sector generally experienced favorable economic

conditions driven by high commodity and livestock prices and increasing farmland values. This generally fostered improved financial strength across the farm sector, with farmer working capital peaking in 2012. Working capital is defined as the amount of cash and cash convertible assets minus liabilities due to creditors within 12 months. However, since 2014, the agricultural environment has been more challenging. Currency fluctuations, large inventories and current U.S. trade policies, including the retaliatory action by other countries, have begun to adversely impact demand and prices for agricultural exports, which have reduced net farm income (a broad measure of profits) and eroded farmer working capital. Higher interest rates could exacerbate the reduction in net farm income by increasing interest expense for farmers with floating-rate loans or other liabilities that reprice periodically to current market interest rates. The following table illustrates USDA data on net farm income and farmer working capital:

	Year Ended December 31,										
(dollars in billions)	2018*	2017	2016	2015							
Net Farm Income	\$66.295	\$75.381	\$61.542	\$81.053							
Farmer Working Capital	\$49.879	\$72.279	\$65.197	\$82.657							

\*Forecasted

The substantial risk-bearing capacity, gained prior to 2015, has afforded U.S. crop producers time to transition their operations to the new environment of lower commodity prices, compressed margins and higher interest rates. Optimal input usage, adoption of cost-saving technologies, negotiation of adjustments to various business arrangements, such as rental cost of agriculture real estate, and effective use of hedging and other price risk management strategies are all critical in yielding positive net farm income for producers. Producers who are able to realize cost of production efficiencies and market their farm products effectively are most likely to adapt to the current price environment. However, if these current market conditions persist, farm sector financial strength will continue to weaken, challenging a greater number of producers who may not be able to sufficiently adjust their operations to avoid loan repayment challenges.

The February 2019 USDA forecast estimates 2018 farmers' net cash income, which is a measure of the cash income after payment of business expenses, at \$95.0 billion, down \$9.0 billion from 2017. The forecasted decrease in farmers' net cash income for 2018 is primarily due to an expected increase in cash expenses of \$11.9 billion, led by increases in fuels/oil, interest, feed, and hired labor.

The February 2019 USDA outlook for the farm economy, as a whole, projects 2019 farmers' net cash income to increase to \$97.7 billion, a \$2.7 billion increase from 2018. The forecasted increase in farmers' net cash income for 2019 is primarily due to an expected decrease in cash expenses of \$4.4 billion and increase in cash receipts for crops of \$2.2 billion, partially offset by a decrease in direct government payments of \$2.8 billion

As estimated by the USDA in November 2018, the System's market share of farm business debt (defined as debt incurred by those involved in on-farm agricultural production) decreased slightly to 40.4 percent at December 31, 2017 (the latest available data), as compared with 40.9 percent at December 31, 2016.

While 2018 net farm income and working capital have declined, a healthy U.S. economy is expected to support domestic demand for most agricultural commodities in the foreseeable future. The primary area of risk will remain the export component of the demand for U.S. agricultural commodities, with a stronger dollar and ongoing uncertainty surrounding the future of U.S. trade policy. Major cash crops in the U.S. are projected to remain at elevated supply levels resulting from a combination of factors, including overall excellent crop conditions, tariffs and strong harvests in recent years. In addition to cash crops, pork and dairy are heavily dependent upon exports and most susceptible to foreign traderelated disruptions. The risk in the export component of the demand for U.S. agricultural commodities has been minimally mitigated by Market Facilitation Program assistance to producers impacted by retaliatory tariffs. Additionally, the revised Dairy Margin Protection Program in the 2018 Farm Bill and the new Dairy Revenue Protection Program will provide some support for dairy farmers. Mid-sized dairies, especially operations that are more highly leveraged or have high relative costs, will continue to face financial challenges at least into mid-2019.

The following table sets forth the commodity prices per bushel for certain crops, by hundredweight for hogs, milk, and beef cattle, and by pound for broilers and turkeys from December 31, 2015 to December 31, 2018:

Commodity	12/31/18	12/31/17	12/31/16	12/31/15
Hogs	\$43.40	\$48.60	\$43.10	\$42.80
Milk	\$16.40	\$17.20	\$18.90	\$17.30
Broilers	\$0.51	\$0.50	\$0.48	\$0.47
Turkeys	\$0.50	\$0.53	\$0.74	\$0.89
Corn	\$3.54	\$3.23	\$3.32	\$3.65
Soybeans	\$8.57	\$9.30	\$9.64	\$8.76
Wheat	\$5.28	\$4.50	\$3.90	\$4.75
Beef Cattle	\$117.00	\$118.00	\$111.00	\$122.00

In a prolonged period of less favorable conditions in agriculture, the Association's financial performance and credit quality measures would likely be negatively impacted. Any negative impact from these less favorable conditions should be lessened by geographic and commodity diversification and the influence of off-farm income sources supporting agricultural-related debt. However, agricultural borrowers who are more reliant on off-farm income sources may be more adversely impacted by a weakened general economy.

### CRITICAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements are reported in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Our significant accounting policies are critical to the understanding of our results of operations and financial position because some accounting policies require us to make complex or subjective judgments and estimates that may affect the value of certain assets or liabilities. We consider these policies critical because management must make judgments about matters that are inherently uncertain. For a complete discussion of significant accounting policies, see Note 2, Summary of Significant Accounting Policies, of the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements. The following is a summary of certain critical policies.

• Allowance for loan losses — The allowance for loan losses is maintained at a level considered adequate by management to provide for probable and estimable losses inherent in the loan portfolio. The allowance for loan losses is increased through provisions for loan losses and loan recoveries and is decreased through allowance reversals and loan charge-offs. The allowance for loan losses is determined based on a periodic evaluation of the loan portfolio by management in which numerous factors are considered, including economic and political conditions, loan portfolio composition, credit quality and prior loan loss experience.

Significant individual loans are evaluated based on the borrower's overall financial condition, resources, and payment record, the prospects for support from any financially responsible guarantor, and, if appropriate, the estimated net realizable value of any collateral. The allowance for loan losses encompasses various judgments, evaluations and appraisals with respect to the loans and their underlying security that, by nature, contains elements of uncertainty and imprecision. Changes in the agricultural economy and their borrower repayment capacity will cause these various judgments, evaluations and appraisals to change over time. Accordingly, actual circumstances could vary from the Association's expectations and predictions of those circumstances.

Management considers the following factors in determining and supporting the levels of allowance for loan losses: the concentration of lending in agriculture, combined with uncertainties in farmland values, commodity prices, exports, government assistance programs, regional economic effects and weather-related influences. Changes in the factors considered by management in the evaluation of losses in the loan portfolios could result in a change in the allowance for loan losses and could have a direct impact on the provision for loan losses and the results of operations.

- Acquisition accounting Acquisitions are accounted for under the acquisition method of accounting. Purchased assets, including identifiable intangible assets, and assumed liabilities are recorded at their respective acquisition date fair values. See Valuation methodologies section below. The purchase date valuations and any subsequent adjustments also determine the amount of goodwill or bargain purchase gain recognized in connection with the business combination. Certain assumptions and estimates must be updated regularly in connection with the ongoing accounting for purchased loans. Valuation assumptions and estimates may also have to be revisited in connection with periodic assessments of possible value impairment, including impairment of goodwill, intangible assets and certain other long-lived assets. The use of different assumptions could produce significantly different valuation results, which could have material positive or negative effects on the Association's results of operations.
- Valuation methodologies Management applies various valuation methodologies to assets and liabilities that often involve a significant degree of judgment, particularly when liquid markets do not exist for the particular items being valued. Quoted market prices are referred to when estimating fair values for certain assets for which an observable liquid market exists, such as most investment

securities. Management utilizes significant estimates and assumptions to value items for which an observable liquid market does not exist. Examples of these items include impaired loans, other property owned, pension and other postretirement benefit obligations, and certain other financial instruments. These valuations require the use of various assumptions, including, among others, discount rates, rates of return on assets, repayment rates, cash flows, default rates, costs of servicing and liquidation values. The use of different assumptions could produce significantly different results, which could have material positive or negative effects on the Association's results of operations.

### ECONOMIC CONDITIONS

The U.S. and the world appear to have emerged from the worst recession since the Great Depression. National economic indicators are modestly positive but job growth is still slow and the number of workers in the workforce has declined. The Florida economy is exhibiting a rebound as unemployment has declined and trade, tourism, and housing are showing positive growth. The economy of the area served by the Association began a significant decline during 2007 and continued to decline rapidly through 2009 with no significant improvement noted through mid-2012. New home and commercial construction, the leading non-farm economic driver in the South Florida economy, was stagnant but began to show signs of life in late 2012. Improvement in activity continued through 2018. The inventory of new homes and permitted lots has been substantially absorbed by the market and new development is commencing or planned in some locations throughout the territory. The foreclosure process and timeline has improved and much of the backlog has been absorbed by the courts. The Florida unemployment rate that peaked at 9.8% in 2011 has now declined to below 3.8%.

The 2018 farm operating year realized favorable production conditions for most farm products except citrus producers. Nursery products and sod have been the slowest to improve but it appears demand and supply is nearing equalization with strong demand for both segments. Also, the market for landscape trees also exhibited improvement with moderate activity for the growers who maintained quality. The row crop segments in corn and peanuts have exhibited moderate price declines.

Citrus growers continue to observe decline in total state production due to a number of industry disease issues. Citrus canker, citrus greening and other diseases have resulted in the loss of significant acreage and production over the past five years. Prices for citrus products have been very good due to the demand for juice and fresh fruit and the reduction in crop supply. The industry's infrastructure capacity continues to exceed producer needs. Growers continue to seek alternative crops and solutions to disease threats but have had little success. Citrus greening continues to be the most significant threat to tree mortality and production. Citrus growers received significant damage to the on-tree crop due to Hurricane Irma in September 2017. This resulted in reduced production and revenue in 2018. Some disaster assistance from USDA has been available but slow to provide funds.

Cattle herd reductions across the U.S. in 2012 and 2013 resulted in record cattle prices in Florida, where production conditions have remained favorable for feeder calves and replacement heifers. During the last half of 2018, cattle

producers noted a decline in prices as the cattle cycle appears to be rotating to the down side with signs of stabilization. Dairy prices rebounded to very profitable levels in 2015 and early 2016, but began to show a decline near year end 2016 as supply outpaces world demand. Dairy prices have remained at or below cost of production throughout 2018. Vegetable prices and production in 2018 was good for most producers financed by the Association with isolated weather impacts. Sugar producers in Florida have remained profitable and observed a positive price increase in 2017 and 2018. The Association's timber portfolio has exhibited improved conditions with many sawmills returning to operation and prices on saw timber improving. Timberland values have remained stable.

Performance and asset quality of the Association's loan portfolio exhibited improvement in 2016 and 2017. In 2018, the level of criticized assets increased primarily related to

stress in the dairy portfolio. There was some migration experienced in loans transferring to a nonperforming status in both row crops and dairy. The volume of criticized loans to total regulatory capital declined slightly but remains within an acceptable risk level. Beginning in 2016 and throughout 2018, many distressed borrowers were able to sell land to reduce debt. Improved real estate prices and economic activity continues to assist troubled customers. Real estate sales activity has improved on certain property types but continues to be slow on non-income producing property. Overall, real estate values appear stable on all property types with improved pricing across the service territory. The Association has a department specifically dedicated to working with troubled borrowers. As in past economic downturns and natural disasters, Farm Credit stands ready to work with our members who have long-term viable operations even though they are currently experiencing cash flow and profitability problems.

### 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 through numerous product types.

The diversification of the Association loan volume by type for each of the past three years is shown below.

	December 31,								
Loan Type	2018	8	2017				2016		
				(dollars in th	ousands)				
Real estate mortgage	\$ 691,955	59.45%	\$	666,425	58.92%	\$	595,253	57.63%	
Production and intermediate-term	226,221	19.44		227,567	20.12		231,159	22.38	
Processing and marketing	89,453	7.69		86,255	7.63		88,202	8.54	
Communication	43,056	3.70		33,726	2.98		33,287	3.22	
Farm-related business	42,967	3.69		45,421	4.02		30,015	2.91	
Loans to cooperatives	26,939	2.31		28,912	2.56		32,777	3.17	
Power and water/waste disposal	17,731	1.52		17,029	1.51		3,685	0.36	
International	9,982	0.86		9,972	0.88		9,980	0.97	
Rural residential real estate	9,398	0.81		9,090	0.80		8,446	0.82	
Other (including Mission Related)	6,218	0.53		6,607	0.58		. –	_	
Total	\$ 1,163,920	100.00%	\$	1,131,004	100.00%	\$	1,032,804	100.00%	

While we make loans and provide financially related services to qualified borrowers in the agricultural and rural sectors and to certain related entities, our loan portfolio is diversified.

The geographic distribution of the loan volume by branch/city for the past three years is as follows:

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Branch	2018	2017	2016
Okeechobee	14.55%	12.14%	11.35%
West Palm	13.89%	17.59%	17.02%
Alachua	12.15%	7.23%	7.76%
Ocala	8.52%	7.09%	6.85%
Wauchula	7.69%	8.66%	6.65%
Homestead	7.12%	6.11%	5.69%
Arcadia	4.79%	3.81%	5.17%
Palatka	3.32%	5.53%	5.07%
Live Oak	2.62%	3.21%	3.50%
Vero Beach	2.40%	2.11%	2.76%
Trenton	1.85%	4.99%	5.24%
Lake Placid	0.02%	-%	-%
Purchased Loans	21.08%	21.53%	22.94%
Total	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%

Nonaccrual loans are included in the percentages above.

Commodity and industry categories are based upon the Standard Industry Classification system published by the federal government. The system is used to assign commodity or industry categories based upon the largest agricultural commodity of the customer.

The major commodities in the Association loan portfolio are shown in the following table. The predominant commodities are field crops, cattle, equine, tree fruits and nuts, forestry, and nursery/greenhouse, which constitute over 73 percent of the entire portfolio. From 2016 to year end 2018, the nursery group's outstanding volume increased. During the past recession, the nursery portfolio was adversely impacted by the economy and resulted in declining credit quality and a large number of nonperforming loans. As the Florida and national economy has improved, the nursery industry has experienced improving markets and financial results. Trees, landscape plants and sod are dependent on a vibrant home and commercial construction industry while flowering plants and foliage are dependent upon the general economy and ability of consumers to spend discretionary funds. The average credit quality of the nursery segment has improved to 91.6% acceptable. Increases in field crops, cattle, equine, and tree fruits are due to origination of new loans in these commodity segments. Decreases in forestry are due to several liquidations and pay down of lines of credit. The Association has experienced increases in brood cow operations and row and field crops in both the north and south Florida regions.

					December	31,		
Commodity Group	ity Group 2018 201						2016	
<u>-</u>				(	dollars in thou	usands)		
Field Crops	\$	201,680	17.34%	\$	187,481	16.58%	\$ 149,171	14.44%
Cattle		161,488	13.87		156,686	13.85	133,931	12.97
Equine		149,174	12.82		135,368	11.97	109,823	10.63
Tree Fruits and Nuts		125,519	10.78		116,042	10.26	120,700	11.69
Forestry		119,339	10.25		135,868	12.01	138,675	13.43
Nursery/Greenhouse		101,332	8.71		87,949	7.78	79,219	7.67
Processing		56,086	4.82		56,037	4.95	68,230	6.61
Utilities		48,824	4.19		38,531	3.41	36,978	3.58
Dairy		45,888	3.94		47,279	4.18	38,731	3.75
Other Real Estate		33,488	2.88		32,582	2.88	33,915	3.28
Swine		11,738	1.01		9,423	0.83	6,870	0.67
Grain		10,963	0.94		10,566	0.93	10,362	1.00
Rural Home Loan		10,325	0.89		10,126	0.90	10,283	1.00
Tobacco		8,873	0.76		10,174	0.90	8,633	0.84
Poultry		7,644	0.66		6,991	0.62	6,222	0.60
Corn		1,432	0.12		1,614	0.14	3,722	0.35
Cotton		377	0.03		401	0.04	411	0.04
Others		69,750	5.99		87,886	7.77	76,928	7.45
Total	\$	1,163,920	100.00%	\$	1,131,004	100.00%	\$ 1,032,804	100.00%
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Repayment ability is closely related to the commodities produced by our borrowers, and increasingly, the off-farm income of borrowers. The Association enjoys a diverse commodity portfolio mix with no significant single concentration in any one commodity in excess of 17.34%. While the Nursery/Greenhouse group represents 8.71% of the portfolio, it should be noted this group is a broad classification covering interior foliage and exterior landscape plants, trees, and sod products with very different market characteristics and credit risk profiles. Citrus, which is included in Tree Fruits and Nuts commodity group, represents approximately 10.78% of the portfolio. Many citrus customers have diversified sources of farm and nonfarm income. Timber at approximately 10.25% also has characteristics of diversified income sources. Other concentrations, such as citrus, sugar and vegetables contain operations that are vertically integrated with processing, sales and marketing which increases their profitability and reduces credit risk to the Association. For purposes of calculating concentration risks, each loan is classified by the principal product grown. However, many operations produce a number of products in addition to the principal product, thus reducing overall risks to the operation and the Association. In addition, the Association also segments repayment based upon whether the primary repayment source is from agricultural or nonfarm personal and business income. Approximately 29.10% of agricultural loans have nonfarm income sources as the primary repayment

The increase in loan volume during 2018, 2017, and 2016 was a result of increased demand for credit in the market and more concerted marketing efforts by Association lenders.

Much of our territory was impacted by Hurricane Irma which made landfall on September 10 and 11, 2017. Management continues to assess and quantify the financial impact this storm had on our customers and the Association as financial impacts are typically delayed. Some credit quality deterioration and credit losses are expected. Citrus customers are just beginning to see an inflow of disaster assistance funds. Loss reduction options that are available for some of our customers, such as the use of loan guarantees, crop insurance, and federal disaster relief, will help to mitigate the losses associated with this storm event. The immediate impact to delinquency rates and loan performance has been minimal. The Association is well

capitalized and maintains adequate allowance for loan losses, which allows us to withstand stress in our loan portfolio.

Management recognizes continuing risk in the citrus industry resulting from the impacts of citrus greening disease and now Hurricane storm impact. Continued stress in production, profitability, and asset values may adversely impact citrus growers over the near and long term horizon. To date, the Association's citrus portfolio has continued to perform satisfactorily, but some performance issues on several stressed growers have been observed. Nursery growers did receive structure impacts and some crop losses as a result of the Hurricane. Insurance is expected to mitigate the extent of losses. In February 2018, the U.S. Senate and House of Representatives passed a spending bill that includes more than \$2.3 billion for agricultural assistance which covers a variety of commodities.

The Association continues to see a minor shift in loan assets. The Association grew volume in long term real estate loans and capital market purchases. While short and intermediate-term volume was down slightly, the volume has been stable but down as a percentage of total volume. The short-term portfolio, which is heavily influenced by operating-type loans, normally reaches a peak balance in the fall and rapidly declines in the late spring and early summer months as commodities are marketed and proceeds are applied to repay operating loans. The Association continues to exhibit new loan growth in commercial corporate market transactions.

The Association continues to have activity in the buying and selling of loan participations within and outside of the System. This provides a means for the Association to spread credit concentration risk and realize non-patronage sourced interest and fee income, which may strengthen our capital position.

	December 31,									
Loan Participations:		2018 2017 2								
		(a	lollar	s in thousar	ıds)					
Participations Purchased  - FCS Institutions Participations Purchased	\$ 2	253,688	\$	252,705	\$	247,033				
<ul> <li>Non-FCS Institutions</li> </ul>		6,299		4,060		4,820				
Participations Sold	(2	296,924)		(249,952)		(226,162)				
Total	\$	(36,937)	\$	6,813	\$	25,691				

The Association did not have any loans sold with recourse, retained subordinated participation interests in loans sold, or interests in pools of subordinated participation interests for the period ended December 31, 2018.

The Association sells qualified long-term mortgage residential loans into the secondary market. For the periods ended December 31, 2018, 2017 and 2016, the Association originated loans for resale totaling \$36,324, \$26,918, and \$19,759, respectively, which were sold into the secondary market.

The Association also participates in the Farmer Mac Long Term Stand-By program. Farmer Mac was established by Congress to provide liquidity to agricultural lenders. At December 31, 2018, 2017, and 2016, the Association had loans amounting to \$23, \$12, and \$148, respectively, that are 100 percent guaranteed by Farmer Mac.

The Association additionally has loans wherein a certain portion of the loans are guaranteed by various governmental entities for the purpose of reducing risk. At December 31, 2018, 2017, and 2016, the balance of these loans was \$34,732, \$34,131, and \$35,095, respectively.

### MISSION RELATED INVESTMENTS

During 2005, the FCA initiated an investment program to stimulate economic growth and development in rural areas. The FCA outlined a program to allow System institutions to hold such investments, subject to approval by the FCA on a case-by-case basis. FCA approved the Rural America Bonds pilot under the Mission Related Investments umbrella, as described below.

In October 2005, the FCA authorized AgFirst and the Associations to make investments in Rural America Bonds under a three-year pilot period. Rural America Bonds may include debt obligations issued by public and private enterprises, corporations, cooperatives, other financing institutions, or rural lenders where the proceeds would be used to support agriculture, agribusiness, rural housing, or economic development, infrastructure, or community development and revitalization projects in rural areas. Examples include investments that fund value-added food and fiber processors and marketers, agribusinesses, commercial enterprises that create and maintain employment opportunities in rural areas, community services, such as schools, hospitals, and government facilities, and other activities that sustain or revitalize rural communities and their economies. The objective of this pilot program is to help meet the growing and diverse financing needs of agricultural enterprises, agribusinesses, and rural communities by providing a flexible flow of money to rural areas through bond financing. These bonds may be classified as Loans or Investments on the Consolidated Balance Sheets depending on the nature of the investment. As of December 31, 2018, the Association had \$8,619 in Rural America Bonds, of which \$6,136 was classified as Loans and \$2,483 were classified as Investments on the Consolidated Balance Sheets. As of December 31, 2017, the Association had \$9.042 in Rural America Bonds, of which \$6,509 was classified as Loans and \$2,533 were classified as Investments. As of December 31, 2016, the Association had \$9,718 in Rural America Bonds, of which \$6,806 were classified as Loans and \$2,912 was classified as Investments.

Effective December 31, 2014, the FCA concluded each pilot program approved as part of the Investment in Rural America program. Each institution participating in such programs may continue to hold its investment through the maturity dates for the investments, provided the institution continues to meet all approval conditions. Although the pilot programs have concluded, the FCA can consider future requests on a case-by-case basis.

Refer to Note 4, *Investments*, of the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements for additional information regarding these Mission Related Investments.

### INVESTMENT SECURITIES

As permitted under FCA regulations, the Association is authorized to hold eligible investments for the purposes of reducing interest rate risk and managing surplus short-term funds. The Bank is responsible for approving the investment policies of the Association. The Bank annually reviews the investment portfolio of every Association that it funds. The Association's investments consist primarily of asset-backed securities (ABS). The ABS investments amounted to \$1,741 at December 31, 2018, \$2,934 at December 31, 2017 and \$4,505 at December 31, 2016. These investments are rated AAA, as they are guaranteed by the full faith and credit of the United States government.

In view of the recent economic conditions and volatility related to these types of securities, the Association is actively monitoring the creditworthiness of these securities. These securities are supported by various forms of credit enhancements including insurance guarantees from AAA rated insurers, over-collateralization and favorable priority of payments. Based on our evaluations, we believe these securities do not pose a significant risk of loss given the credit enhancements and relatively short weighted average lives. However, in the event a security is downgraded, we may be required by our regulator to dispose of the security. FCA approval has been requested to allow the Association to continue to hold one Rural America Bond in the amount of \$110 whose credit quality has deteriorated beyond the program limits.

Investment securities classified as being held-to-maturity totaled \$4,224 at December 31, 2018, \$5,467 at December 31, 2017 and \$7,417 at December 31, 2016. These held-to-maturity investments consist of pools of loans with United States government guarantees.

### CREDIT RISK MANAGEMENT

Credit risk arises from the potential inability of an obligor to meet its repayment obligation. As part of the process to evaluate the success of a loan, the Association continues to review the credit quality of the loan portfolio on an ongoing basis. With the approval of the Association Board of Directors, the Association establishes underwriting standards and lending policies that provide direction to loan officers. Underwriting standards include, among other things, an evaluation of:

• Character – borrower integrity and credit history

- Capacity repayment capacity of the borrower based on cash flows from operations or other sources of income
- Collateral protection for the lender in the event of default and a potential secondary source of repayment
- Capital ability of the operation to survive unanticipated risks
- Conditions intended use of the loan funds

The credit risk management process begins with an analysis of the borrower's credit history, repayment capacity, and financial position. Repayment capacity focuses on the borrower's ability to repay the loan based upon cash flows from operations or other sources of income, including non-farm income. Long term mortgage real estate loans must be collateralized by first liens on the real estate (collateral). As required by FCA regulations, each institution that makes loans on a long term basis must have collateral evaluation policies and procedures. Real estate mortgage loans may be made only in amounts up to 85 percent of the original appraised value of the property taken as collateral or up to 97 percent of the appraised value if guaranteed by a state, federal, or other governmental agency. The Association's collateral standards normally result in actual loan to appraised value lower than the statutory maximum percentage. Appraisals are required for non-business purpose loans of more than \$250,000 or for business purpose loans of more than \$1 million. At origination, each loan is assigned a credit risk rating based upon the Association's loan underwriting standards. This credit risk rating process incorporates objective and subjective criteria to identify inherent strengths, weaknesses, and risks in a particular relationship.

We review the credit quality of the loan portfolio on an ongoing basis as part of our risk management practices. Each loan is classified according to the Combined System Uniform Classification System, which is used by all Farm Credit System institutions. Below are the classification definitions.

- Acceptable Assets are expected to be fully collectible and represent the highest quality.
- Other Assets Especially Mentioned (OAEM) Assets are currently collectible but exhibit some potential weakness.
- Substandard Assets exhibit some serious weakness in repayment capacity, equity, and/or collateral pledged on the loan.
- Doubtful Assets exhibit similar weaknesses to substandard assets. However, doubtful assets have additional weaknesses in existing facts, conditions and values that make collection in full highly questionable.
- Loss Assets are considered uncollectible.

The following table presents selected statistics related to the credit quality of loans including accrued interest excluding impact of financial marks as a result of the merger at December 31.

Credit Quality	2018	2017	2016
Acceptable & OAEM	97.70%	98.19%	97.66%
Substandard	2.30%	1.81%	2.34%
Doubtful	-%	-%	-%
Loss	-%	-%	-%
Total	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%

Portfolio credit quality declined compared to 2017 as a result of movement from OAEM to Substandard of loans in the citrus, dairy and row crop commodity groups. This increase in Substandard loans is a result of continued stress in the dairy industry from prolonged commodity price declines and impacts from Hurricane Irma to citrus customers.

### Nonperforming Assets

The Association's loan portfolio is divided into performing and nonperforming categories. A Special Assets Management Department is responsible for servicing loans classified as nonperforming. The nonperforming assets, including accrued interest, are detailed in the following table:

	December 31,									
Nonperforming Assets		2018	2017		2016					
•		(do	llars	in thousa	nds)					
Nonaccrual loans	\$	11,630	\$	11,423	\$	13,395				
Accruing restructured loans		1,291		1,029		1,119				
Accruing loans 90 days or more past due		_		_		_				
Total nonperforming loans		12,921		12,452		14,514				
Other property owned		73		95		366				
Total nonperforming assets	\$	12,994	\$	12,547	\$	14,880				
Ratios:										
Nonaccrual loans to total loans		1.00%		1.01%		1.30%				
Nonperforming assets to total assets		1.08%		1.07%		1.38%				

Nonaccrual loans represent all loans where there is a reasonable doubt as to the collection of principal and/or future interest accruals under the contractual terms of the loan. In substance, nonaccrual loans reflect loans where the accrual of interest has been suspended. Nonaccrual loans increased \$207 or 1.81 percent in 2018 after having decreased \$1,972 or 14.72 percent in 2017. The increase in 2018 resulted from loans transferred into nonaccrual status offset by repayments, chargeoffs, and transfers to other property owned with the most significant increases occurring in the Dairy commodity group offset by decline in the Field Crops commodity group. The decrease in 2017 resulted in the most significant declines occurring in the Other and Nursery/Greenhouse commodity groups. Field Crops represents the largest % of total nonaccrual loans at approximately 23% at December 31, 2018. Of the \$11,630 in nonaccrual volume at December 31, 2018, \$3,857 or 33.16 percent compared to 41.13 percent and 76.00 percent at December 31, 2017 and 2016, respectively, was current as to scheduled principal and interest payments, but did not meet all regulatory requirements to be transferred into accrual status.

At December 31, 2018, other property owned consisted of 4 properties and the net carrying value of the properties are equivalent to their fair value. The number of properties at year end 2018 remained the same as year end 2017 but the balance declined \$22, or 23.16 percent compared to December 31, 2017. Sales of higher valued properties outpaced lower valued property acquisitions during the year resulting in the balance decline.

Loan restructuring is available to financially distressed borrowers. Restructuring of loans occurs when the Association grants a concession to a borrower based on either a court order or good faith in a borrower's ability to return to financial viability. The concessions can be in the form of a modification of terms or rates, a compromise of amounts owed, or deed in lieu of foreclosure. Other receipts of assets and/or equity to pay the loan in full or in part are also considered restructured

loans. The type of alternative financing structure chosen is based on minimizing the loss incurred by both the Association and the borrower.

### Allowance for Loan Losses

The allowance for loan losses at each period end was considered by Association management to be adequate to absorb probable losses existing in and inherent to its loan portfolio.

The following table presents the activity in the allowance for loan losses for the most recent three years:

		Year 1	End	ed Decem	ber	31,
Allowance for Loan Losses Activity:		2018		2017		2016
Balance at beginning of year	\$	7,774	\$	6,560	\$	6,097
Charge-offs:						
Real estate mortgage		(44)		_		(11)
Production and intermediate-term		(2,630)		(1,431)		(48)
Rural Residential Real Estate						(4)
Total charge-offs		(2,674)		(1,431)		(63)
Recoveries:						
Real estate mortgage		256		2,517		1,560
Production and intermediate-term		1,504		99		55
Agribusiness				1		_
Rural Residential Real Estate		5		-		12
Total recoveries		1,765		2,617		1,627
Net (charge-offs) recoveries		(909)		1,186		1,564
Provision for (reversal of allowance						
for) loan losses		2,321		28		(1,101)
Balance at end of year	\$	9,186	\$	7,774	\$	6,560
Ratio of net (charge-offs) recoveries during the period to average loans						
outstanding during the period		(0.080)%		0.112%		0.162%

The loan recoveries in 2018, 2017, and 2016 were primarily associated with Nursery/Greenhouse and Non-Farm Income commodity groups. Due to the improvement in collateral values and return of credit availability in the market, several nonaccrual loans within these commodity groups were fully collected during the year. The charge-offs in 2018 were primarily in the Dairy industry and charge-offs in 2017 were primarily associated with the Tree Fruits and Nuts commodity group. The Association recorded a provision for loan losses of \$2,321 in 2018 as a result of the decline in credit quality and charge-offs primarily in the dairy and row crop industries. The Association was able to reverse \$1,101 of the allowance for loan losses in 2016 due to the decline in nonperforming loans along with recoveries received of amounts previously charged-off.

The allowance for loan losses by loan type for the most recent three years is as follows:

	December 31,					
Allowance for Loan Losses by Type		2018		2017		2016
		(dollars in thous			ands)	
Real estate mortgage	\$	3,971	\$	4,258	\$	3,774
Production and intermediate-term		4,080		2,400		1,884
Agribusiness		850		831		659
Communication		155		129		121
Rural residential real estate		77		102		81
Power and Water/Waste Disposal		46		44		33
International		6		9		8
Other (including Mission Related)		1		1		_
Total Allowance for Loan Losses	\$	9,186	\$	7,774	\$	6,560

The allowance for loan losses as a percentage of loans outstanding and as a percentage of certain other credit quality indicators is shown below:

Allowance for Loan Losses	December 31,					
as a Percentage of:	2018	2017	2016			
Total loans	0.79%	0.69%	0.64%			
Total nonperforming loans	71.09%	62.43%	45.20%			
Nonaccrual loans	78.99%	68.05%	48.97%			

The allowance for loan losses at December 31, 2018, 2017 and 2016 does not include \$2.7 million, \$3.9 million and \$4.9 million, respectively of net purchase discounts related to the acquired loans. The allowance for these loans was not carried forward at acquisition per accounting guidance. However, they were purchased at a net discount, which is the direct reduction to the recorded loan amount, to reflect the credit and market metrics related to the acquired portfolios.

At December 31, 2018, the amount of credit risk reduction, in addition to the allowance for loan losses, provided by these remaining discounts would equate to 0.23% for Total loans, 20.91% of Total nonperforming loans and 23.23% of Nonaccrual loans.

Please refer to Note 3, Loans and Allowance for Loan Losses, of the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements, for further information concerning the allowance for loan losses.

### RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

Net income for the year ended December 31, 2018, totaled \$25,345, a decrease of \$903 or 3.44 percent, as compared to net income of \$26,248 for the same period of 2017 and an increase of \$4,857 or 23.71 percent, as compared to net income of \$20,488 for the same period of 2016. The decrease in net income for the year ending 2018 as compared to 2017 is attributed to an increase in noninterest expense and an increase in provision for loan losses offset by an increase in net interest income. The increase in noninterest expense is attributed to an increase in postretirement benefits expense and the increased provision for loan losses resulted from higher net charge-offs in 2018 compared to 2017. The increase in net interest income is attributed to loan growth over the past 12 months.

### Net Interest Income

Net interest income was \$33,659, \$30,093 and \$30,109 in 2018, 2017 and 2016, respectively. Net interest income is the difference between interest income and interest expense. Net interest income is the principal source of earnings for the Association and is impacted by volume, yields on assets and cost of debt. The effects of changes in average volume and interest rates on net interest income over the past three years are presented in the following table:

### **Change in Net Interest Income:**

	Volume*	Rate	Nonaccrual Income	Total
		(dollars ii	n thousands)	
12/31/18 - 12/31/17				
Interest income	\$ 3,452	\$ 5,294	\$ 616	\$ 9,362
Interest expense	1,534	4,262		5,796
Change in net interest income	\$ 1,918	\$ 1,032	<b>\$</b> 616	\$ 3,566
12/31/17 - 12/31/16				
Interest income	\$ 4,417	\$ 2,357	\$ (1,973)	\$ 4,801
Interest expense	1,736	3,081	_	4,817
Change in net interest income	\$ 2,681	\$ (724)	<b>\$</b> (1,973)	\$ (16)

<sup>\*</sup> Volume variances can be the result of increased/decreased loan volume or from changes in the percentage composition of assets and liabilities between periods

Net interest income increased by \$3,566 or 11.85 percent in 2018 compared to 2017 and decreased by \$16 or 0.05 percent in 2017 compared to 2016. The primary reason for the increase during 2018 compared to 2017 is due to an increase in nonaccrual income along with an increase in average loan volume outstanding during 2018. The increase in net interest income during 2018 results from an increase of \$616 attributed to an increase in nonaccrual income, an increase of \$1,032 attributed to an increase in rates, and an increase of \$1,918 attributed to an increase in volume. The Association's net interest income as a percentage of average earning assets was 2.97 percent in 2018, compared to 2.83 percent and 3.09 percent in 2017 and 2016, respectively. The increase in this ratio is primarily a result of an increase in nonaccrual income during 2018.

### Noninterest Income

Noninterest income for each of the three years ended December 31 is shown in the following table:

	For the Year Ended			Percentage Increase/(Decrease)				
		December 31,				2018/	2017/	
Noninterest Income		2018		2017		2016	2017	2016
		(do	llars	in thousa	nds)			
Loan fees	\$	910	\$	869	\$	840	4.72%	3.45%
Fees for financially related services		983		1,066		962	(7.79)	10.81
Patronage refunds from other Farm Credit Institutions		14,995		15,164		11,257	(1.11)	34.71
Gains (losses) on sales of rural home loans, net		339		353		231	(3.97)	52.81
Gains (losses) on sales of premises and equipment, net		184		60		27	206.67	122.22
Gains (losses) on other transactions		(18)		210		(54)	(108.57)	(488.89)
Insurance Fund refunds		572		_		`	100.00	
Other noninterest income		454		373		393	21.72	(5.09)
Total noninterest income	\$	18,419	\$	18,095	\$	13,656	1.79%	32.51%

The increase in noninterest income of \$324 or 1.79 percent in 2018 compared to 2017 is primarily due to Insurance Fund refunds received in 2018.

Patronage refunds from other Farm Credit Institutions decreased \$169 or 1.11 percent largely due to a decrease in the special patronage dividend from the Bank of \$635 offset by an increase in the Association borrowing more from the Bank during 2018. The special patronage dividend from the Bank was \$7,281 in 2018 compared to \$7,916 in 2017 and \$4,656 in 2016.

In March 2018, the Association recorded \$572 of insurance premium refunds from the Farm Credit System Insurance Corporation (FCSIC), which insures the System's debt obligations. These payments are nonrecurring and resulted from the assets of the Farm Credit Insurance Fund exceeding the secure base amount as defined by the Farm Credit Act.

### Noninterest Expense

Noninterest expense for each of the three years ended December 31 is shown in the following table:

		For th	he Y	Year Endo	ed		Percent Increase/(De	0
		De	ecei	mber 31,			2018/	2017/
Noninterest Expense		2018		2017		2016	2017	2016
(dollars in thousands)								
Salaries and employee benefits	\$	18,285	\$	17,617	\$	17,581	3.79%	0.20%
Occupancy and equipment		1,164		1,103		1,295	5.53	(14.83)
Insurance Fund premiums		778		1,200		1,226	(35.17)	(2.12)
(Gains) losses on other property owned, net		(125)		59		713	(311.86)	(91.73)
Other operating expenses		4,310		1,933		3,563	122.97	(45.75)
Total noninterest expense	\$	24,412	\$	21,912	\$	24,378	11.41%	(10.12)%

Non-interest expense increased \$2,500 or 11.41 percent for the year ended December 31, 2018, as compared to the same period in 2017, and decreased \$2,466 or 10.12 percent in 2017 compared to 2016.

Salaries and employee benefits increased \$668 or 3.79 percent in 2018, as compared to 2017. This increase is primarily attributable to an increase in the number of employees in 2018.

The \$61 or 5.53 percent increase in occupancy and equipment expense in 2018 compared to 2017 is due to 2 new branch locations, an increase in furniture and equipment costs and facilities maintenance expenses.

Insurance Fund premiums decreased \$422 or 35.17 percent for the twelve months ended December 31, 2018, compared to the same period of 2017. This decrease is primarily attributed to a decrease in the insurance premium charged by the Farm Credit System Insurance Corporation in 2018 compared to 2017.

Gains on other property owned increased \$184 or 311.86 percent due to other property owned properties sold at a gain during 2018 compared to 2017.

Other operating expenses increased \$2,377 or 122.97 percent in 2018 as compared to 2017 primarily resulting from a change in the method of recording expenses on the Association's defined benefit pension plan in 2017. During 2017, the method of recording expenses for the Association's defined benefit pension plan and other postretirement benefit plan was modified. This change resulted in the reduction of Other Assets by \$4,597 and the reduction of Other Liabilities by \$6,810 on the Association's Balance Sheets, and a corresponding reduction of other operating expenses in noninterest expenses on the Association's Statements of Income of \$2,213 during 2017. Refer to Note 9, *Employee Benefit Plans*, of the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements, for further information concerning pension benefit expenses.

### Income Taxes

The Association recorded no provision for income taxes during 2018, 2017 or 2016. Refer to Note 2, Summary of Significant Accounting Policies, I. Income Taxes, and Note 12, Income Taxes, of the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements, for more information concerning Association income taxes.

Key Results of Operations Comparisons

Key results of operations comparisons for each of the twelve months ended December 31 are shown in the following table:

Key Results of	For the 12 Months Ended				
Operations Comparisons	12/31/18	12/31/17	12/31/16		
Return on average assets	2.19%	2.41%	2.04%		
Return on average members' equity	9.63%	10.56%	8.58%		
Net interest income as a percentage of average earning assets	2.97%	2.83%	3.09%		
Net (charge-offs) recoveries to average loans	(0.080)%	0.112%	0.162%		

Return on average assets and return on average members' equity decreased during 2018 compared to 2017 as a result of decreased net income in 2018 compared to 2017. The net interest income as a percentage of average earning assets, or

net interest margin, increased 14 basis points in 2018 from 2017 due to an increase in nonaccrual income during 2018.

The Association recorded net charge-offs of \$909 in 2018 which is 0.080 percent of average loans compared to net recoveries of \$1,186 or 0.112 percent of average loans in 2017. During 2018, the Association recorded charge-offs of \$2,674 which surpassed the amount of recoveries of \$1,765 during the year. This resulted in the recording of a provision for loan losses expense of \$2,321 in 2018. The 2018 provision for loan losses was an increase compared to 2017 when the provision for loan losses was \$28 and an increase in expense compared to 2016 when the reversal of the allowance for loan losses was \$1,101. The Association had higher net charge-offs in 2018 resulting in a higher provision for loan losses in 2018 compared to 2017 and 2016 when the Association recorded higher net recoveries. Due to the improvement in collateral values and return of credit availability in the market, several nonaccrual loans were fully collected during 2017 and 2016 driving lower provision for loan losses expense in those years.

The past years have been favorably impacted by a special patronage dividend from AgFirst Farm Credit Bank which totaled \$7,281 in 2018, \$7,916 in 2017 and \$4,656 in 2016. The Association does not forecast continued receipt of these distributions.

A key factor in the growth of net income for future years will be an increase in acceptable loan volume, continued improvement in net interest income and controlling loan losses and effectively managing noninterest income and noninterest expense. Our goal is to generate earnings sufficient to fund operations, adequately capitalize the Association, and achieve an adequate rate of return for our members. To meet this goal, the agricultural economy must continue the improvement shown in recent years and the Association must meet certain objectives. These objectives are to attract and maintain high quality loan volume priced at competitive rates and to manage credit risk in our entire portfolio, while efficiently meeting the credit needs of our members.

### LIQUIDITY AND FUNDING SOURCES

Liquidity and Funding

The principal source of funds for the Association is the borrowing relationship established with the Bank through a General Financing Agreement (GFA). The GFA utilizes the Association's credit and fiscal performance as criteria for establishing a line of credit on which the Association may draw funds. The Bank advances the funds to the Association, creating notes payable (or direct loans) to the Bank. The Bank manages interest rate risk through direct loan pricing and asset/liability management. The notes payable are segmented into variable rate and fixed rate components. The variable rate note is utilized by the Association to fund variable rate loan advances and operating funds requirements. The fixed rate note is used specifically to fund fixed rate loan advances made by the Association. Association capital levels effectively create a borrowing margin between the amount of loans outstanding and the amount of notes payable outstanding. This margin is commonly referred to as "Loanable Funds."

Total notes payable to the Bank at December 31, 2018, was \$915,039 as compared to \$894,913 at December 31, 2017 and

\$809,137 at December 31, 2016. The 2018 increase of 20,126 or 2.25 percent compared to December 31, 2017 was a result of an increase in total asset growth offset by an increase in members' equity attributable to net income. The average volume of outstanding notes payable to the Bank was \$880,669 and \$823,096 for the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively. Refer to Note 6, *Debt, Notes Payable to AgFirst Farm Credit Bank*, of the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements, for weighted average interest rates and maturities, and additional information concerning the Association's notes payable.

Liquidity management is the process whereby funds are made available to meet all financial commitments including the extension of credit, payment of operating expenses and payment of debt obligations. The Association receives access to funds through its borrowing relationship with the Bank and from income generated by operations. The liquidity policy of the Association is to manage cash balances to maximize debt reduction and to increase loan volume. As borrower payments are received, they are applied to the Association's note payable to the Bank. The Association's participation in the Farmer Mac, investments, and other secondary market programs provides additional liquidity. Sufficient liquid funds have been available to meet all financial obligations.

The Association had no lines of credit from third party financial institutions as of December 31, 2018.

### Funds Management

The Bank and the Association manage assets and liabilities to provide a broad range of loan products and funding options, which are designed to allow the Association to be competitive in all interest rate environments. The primary objective of the asset/liability management process is to provide stable and rising earnings, while maintaining adequate capital levels by managing exposure to credit and interest rate risks.

Demand for loan types is a driving force in establishing a funds management strategy. The Association offers fixed, adjustable and variable rate loan products that are marginally priced according to financial market rates. Variable rate loans may be indexed to market indices such as the Prime Rate or the 90-day London Interbank Offered Rate (LIBOR). Adjustable rate mortgages are indexed to U.S. Treasury Rates. Fixed rate loans are priced based on the current cost of System debt of similar terms to maturity.

The majority of the interest rate risk in the Association's Consolidated Balance Sheets is transferred to the Bank through the notes payable structure. The Bank, in turn, actively utilizes funds management techniques to identify, quantify and control risk associated with the loan portfolio. *Relationship with the Bank* 

The Association's statutory obligation to borrow only from the Bank and the Bank's ability to access capital of the Association is discussed in Note 4, *Investments, Equity Investments in Other Farm Credit Institutions*, and Note 6, *Debt, Notes Payable to AgFirst Farm Credit Bank*, of the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements included in this Annual Report

The Bank's role in mitigating the Association's exposure to interest rate risk is described in the "Liquidity and Funding" section of this Management's Discussion and Analysis and in Note 6, *Debt, Notes Payable to AgFirst Farm Credit Bank*, included in this annual report.

### CAPITAL RESOURCES

Capital serves to support asset growth and provide protection against unexpected credit and interest rate risk and operating losses. Capital is also needed for future growth and investment in new products and services.

The Association Board of Directors establishes, adopts, and maintains a formal written capital adequacy plan to ensure that adequate capital is maintained for continued financial viability, to provide for growth necessary to meet the needs of members/borrowers, and to ensure that all stockholders are treated equitably. There were no material changes to the capital plan for 2018 that would affect minimum stock purchases or would have an effect on the Association's ability to retire stock and distribute earnings.

Total members' equity at December 31, 2018, increased 5.04 percent to \$265,138 from the December 31, 2017, total of \$252,410. At December 31, 2017, total members' equity increased 6.27 percent from the December 31, 2016 total of \$237,509. The increase during 2018 was primarily attributed to 2018 net income from operations of \$25,345 less the \$12,750 patronage distribution declared. Total capital stock and participation certificates were \$2,988 on December 31, 2018, compared to \$2,897 on December 31, 2017 and \$2,717 on December 31, 2016. The 2018 and 2017 increase is attributed to the issuance of capital stock to new stockholders.

FCA sets minimum regulatory capital requirements for System banks and associations. Capital adequacy is evaluated using a number of regulatory ratios.

The following sets forth the regulatory capital ratios which were effective January 1, 2017:

	Minimum	Capital Minimum Requirement Conservation with Capital		Capital Ratios as of December 31,		
Ratio			2018	2017		
Risk-adjusted ratios:						
CET1 Capital	4.5%	1.25%	5.75%	19.73%	19.64%	
Tier 1 Capital	6.0%	1.25%	7.25%	19.73%	19.64%	
Total Capital	8.0%	1.25%	9.25%	20.52%	20.34%	
Permanent Capital	7.0%	0.0%	7.0%	19.88%	19.77%	
Non-risk-adjusted ratios:						
Tier 1 Leverage	4.0%	1.0%	5.0%	21.84%	21.67%	
URE and UREE Leverage	1.5%	0.0%	1.5%	16.85%	16.37%	

<sup>\*</sup> The capital conservation buffers have a 3 year phase-in period and will become fully effective January 1, 2020. Risk-adjusted ratio minimums will increase 0.625% each year until fully phased in. There is no phase-in period for the tier 1 leverage ratio.

If the capital ratios fall below the minimum regulatory requirements, including the buffer amounts, capital distributions (equity redemptions, dividends, and patronage) and discretionary senior executive bonuses are restricted or prohibited without prior FCA approval. For all periods presented, the Association exceeded minimum regulatory standards for all capital ratios.

The following sets forth regulatory Capital ratios as previously reported:

	Regulatory					
	Minimum	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012
Permanent Capital Ratio	7.00%	21.49%	21.62%	22.55%	20.34%	18.98%
Total Surplus Ratio	7.00%	21.35%	21.49%	22.00%	19.48%	18.11%
Core Surplus Ratio	3.50%	21.35%	21.49%	22.00%	19.48%	17.74%

There are no trends, commitments, contingencies, or events that are likely to affect the Association's ability to meet regulatory minimum capital standards and capital adequacy requirements.

See Note 7, Members' Equity, of the Consolidated Financial Statements, for further information concerning capital resources.

### PATRONAGE PROGRAM

Prior to the beginning of any fiscal year, the Association's Board of Directors, by adoption of a resolution, may establish a Patronage Allocation Program to distribute its available consolidated net earnings. This resolution provides for the application of net earnings in the manner described in the Association's Bylaws. This includes the setting aside of funds to increase surplus to meet minimum capital adequacy standards established by FCA Regulations, to increase surplus to meet Association capital adequacy standards to a level necessary to support competitive pricing at targeted earnings levels, and for reasonable reserves for necessary purposes of the Association. After excluding net earnings attributable to (a) the portion of loans participated to another institution, and (b) participation loans purchased, remaining consolidated net earnings are eligible for allocation to borrowers. Refer to Note 7, Members' Equity, of the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements, for more information concerning the patronage distributions. The Association declared patronage distributions of \$12,750 in 2018, \$11,500 in 2017, and \$10,500 in 2016.

### YOUNG, BEGINNING AND SMALL (YBS) FARMERS AND RANCHERS PROGRAM

The Association's mission is to support rural communities and agriculture with reliable, consistent credit, which includes providing credit to Young\*, Beginning\*\* and Small\*\*\* farmers, ranchers, producers or harvesters of aquatic products (YBS Farmers and Ranchers). Because of the unique needs of these

individuals, and their importance to the future growth of the Association, the Association has established annual lending

goals to increase our market share of loans to YBS Farmers and
Ranchers. Specific marketing plans have been developed to
target this segment, and resources have been designated to help
ensure YBS Farmers and Ranchers have access to a stable
source of credit and financially related services. The Association
met or exceed its 2018 Goals for all YBS categories except for
"Beginning Farmers & Ranchers, New Volume", which the
Association was able to achieve 95.21% of the 2018 Goal.

2018 YBS Goals and Results					
	2018 Goal	2018 Actual	% of Goal		
Young Farmers & Ranchers					
Number of New loans	100	105	105.00%		
New Volume	\$20,400	\$25,728	126.12%		
Beginning Farmers & Ranchers					
Number of New loans	225	254	112.89%		
New Volume	\$55,000	\$52,363	95.21%		
Small Farmers & Ranchers					
Number of New loans	325	384	118.15%		
New Volume	\$46,400	\$54,437	117.32%		

The following table outlines the loan volume and number of YBS loans in the loan portfolio for the Association.

December 31, 2018 Total YBS Loan Data

Total Loans & Commitments	12/31/18	% of Total
Number of Loans	3,153	100.00%
Volume Outstanding	1,402,776	100.00%
Young Farmers & Ranchers		
Number of Loans	417	13.23%
Volume Outstanding	108,108	7.71%
Beginning Farmers & Ranchers		
Number of Loans	995	31.56%
Volume Outstanding	224,330	15.99%
Small Farmers & Ranchers		
Number of Loans	1,459	46.27%
Volume Outstanding	178,172	12.70%

Note: For purposes of the above table, a loan could be classified in more than one category, depending upon the characteristics of the underlying borrower.'

The 2012 USDA Ag census data is used as the benchmark to measure penetration of the Association's marketing efforts. The census data indicates that within the Association's chartered territory of thirty-six counties, there are 26,252 farmers of which, by definition, 947 or 3.6% are Young, 6,648 or 25.3% are Beginning, and 24,283 or 92.5% are Small. Further defined within the category of Small farmers and ranchers is the subcategory of "Mini", which represents farms with sales volume less than \$1,000. There are 8,694 farms in this subcategory (35.8%) of Small farmers and ranchers. Related to the total number of borrowers in the Association, Young farmers and ranchers represent 417 or 13.2% of the total, Beginning Farmers and Ranchers represent 995 or 31.6% of the total and Small Farmers and Ranchers represent 1,459 or 46.3% of the total. Similarly, of the total number of Farmers and Ranchers reported as Young (947), Beginning (6,648) and Small (24,283) within the Association's territory, the Association has a segment penetration percent of 35.0%, 13.1% and 5.4% respectively.

The YBS Plan contains several components including staffing, identification, education, development, and direct financial support. Staffing and education represents the foundation of the program as the Association recognizes that to serve the community; its staff must understand the culture and needs of each group and to provide programs that not only assist this segment in getting into agriculture, but also assure this segment remains in agriculture. The Association has focused on diversity in its employment practices because we believe strongly that our staff should reflect the diversity of the community we serve. The Association has two primary staff members that provide educational opportunities and has trained all staff to serve the YBS Community. Specific quantitative and qualitative goals are annually established for the YBS Program to ensure our performance in reaching this segment of our market.

Identification and outreach are also critical components of the program. The Association constantly monitors public record databases, organizational membership roles, etc. that are available and could assist in identification of potential YBS Farmers and Ranchers. In addition, staff is active in community, trade and cultural organizations believed to have membership that include potential YBS Farmers and Ranchers and works with agricultural trade organizations and agencies such as the Federal, State and County Agricultural Agencies to ensure these organizations and agencies understand our

programs and will refer YBS Farmers and Ranchers with credit or financially related service needs to the Association. The Association has also worked with these organizations and agencies in providing training and development opportunities for YBS Farmers and Ranchers. The Association aggressively attempts to partner with these organizations and agencies in joint programs. The Association is a "Preferred Lender" in the USDA Guaranteed Lending Program.

A final component of the program is in the area of youth development programs. The Association actively supports those organizations such as FFA, 4-H, and other youth based programs that are training and developing the farmers and ranchers of the future.

The Association is committed to the future success of Young, Beginning and Small farmers, ranchers, producers or harvesters of aquatic products.

- \* Young Farmers and Ranchers are defined as those farmers, ranchers, producers or harvesters of aquatic products who are age 35 or younger as of the date the loan is originally made.
- \*\* Beginning Farmers and Ranchers are defined as those farmers, ranchers, producers or harvesters of aquatic products who have 10 years or less farming or ranching experience as of the date the loan is originally made.
- \*\*\* Small Farmers and Ranchers are defined as those farmers, ranchers, producers or harvesters of aquatic products who normally generate less than \$250 thousand in annual gross sales of agricultural or aquatic products at the date the loan is originally made.

Slight differences between the Census and our YBS information are as follows:

- The Census shows young farmers in a group up to age 34, whereas the Association's YBS information shows young farmers up to age 35.
- The Census shows years on present farm up to nine years, whereas the Association's YBS information shows 10 years or less for a beginning farmer.
- The Census data is based on number of farms, whereas the Association's YBS information is based on number of loans.

### REGULATORY MATTERS

On May 10, 2018, the Farm Credit Administration adopted a final rule that amends the regulations governing investments of System banks and associations. The final rule strengthens eligibility criteria for the investments the banks may purchase and hold. It also implements Section 939A of the Dodd-Frank Act by removing references to and requirements for credit ratings and substitutes the eligibility requirement with other appropriate standards of credit worthiness. In addition, it grants associations greater flexibility regarding the risk management purposes for investments and limits the type and amount of investments that an association may hold. Only securities that are issued by, or are unconditionally guaranteed or insured as to the timely payment of principal and interest by, the U.S. government or its agencies are eligible for association risk management purposes. An association may purchase and hold investments not to exceed 10 percent of its 90-day average

daily balance of outstanding loans on the last business day of the quarter. The final rule became effective January 1, 2019.

### Farm Bill

The Agricultural Improvement Act of 2018 (Farm Bill) was signed into law on December 20, 2018. This new Farm Bill will govern an array of federal farm and food programs, including commodity price support payments, farm credit, conservation programs, research, rural development and foreign and domestic food programs for five years through 2023. The new Farm Bill continues to provide support for crop insurance and commodity support programs, strengthen livestock disaster programs, and provides dairy producers with an updated voluntary margin protection program that will provide additional risk management options to dairy operations.

The Farm Bill also clarifies and updates the Insurance Corporation's authorities to act as conservator or receiver of a System institution. The Congressional Conference Committee report states that Congress intends "for the authorities of the Corporation to be functionally equivalent to the parallel authorities of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation." In addition, the Farm Bill provides, among other authorities, the Insurance Corporation with the authority to organize, and the Farm Credit Administration to charter, a System bridge bank, which has all the powers of a System bank with a maximum life span of five years.

Many provisions of the Farm Bill will require the United States Department of Agriculture to develop rules and procedures to fully implement these authorities. The timing for the issuance of those rules is uncertain.

### LIBOR TRANSITION

On July 27, 2017, the United Kingdom Financial Conduct Authority (the Conduct Authority) announced that it will no longer persuade or compel such banks to submit rates for the calculation of the LIBOR rates after 2021. The Conduct Authority regulates the panel banks that submit quotes for the purpose of calculating LIBOR to the Intercontinental Exchange (ICE) Benchmark Administration (the entity that is responsible for calculating LIBOR). Accordingly, it is uncertain whether the ICE Benchmark Administration will continue to quote LIBOR after 2021. Furthermore, in the United States, efforts to identify a set of alternative U.S. dollar reference interest rates include proposals by the Alternative Reference Rates Committee (ARRC) of the Federal Reserve Board and the Federal Reserve Bank of New York. Specifically, the ARRC has proposed the Secured Overnight Financing Rate (SOFR) as the recommended alternative to LIBOR and the Federal Reserve Bank of New York began publishing SOFR in April of 2018. SOFR is based on a broad segment of the overnight Treasury repurchase market and is a broad measure of the cost of borrowing cash overnight collateralized by Treasury securities.

At this time, it is not possible to predict, among other uncertainties, whether (i) LIBOR will be discontinued, (ii) the effect of any changes to the methodology for calculating LIBOR, or (iii) any establishment of alternative reference rates or any other reforms to LIBOR that may be enacted in the United Kingdom, in the United States or elsewhere.

Uncertainty as to the nature of such potential changes, alternative reference rates or other reforms may adversely affect the trading market for LIBOR based instruments, including certain of the Systemwide Debt Securities, System borrowings, loans, investments, derivatives, other System assets and liabilities and preferred stock that are indexed to LIBOR. Accordingly, reform of, or the replacement or disappearance of, LIBOR and the proposed regulation of LIBOR and other "benchmarks" may adversely affect the rates of interest the System pays on its Systemwide Debt Securities (including changes to their value and liquidity, return, and usefulness for intended purpose), on other borrowings and preferred stock, as well as the value of and return on loans and investments and the value and effectiveness of derivatives. This could adversely affect the System's cash flows. Moreover, if LIBOR is replaced, System institutions will need to take steps to restructure their debt and derivatives, which could adversely affect operations.

The System institutions are currently evaluating the potential impact of the eventual replacement of the LIBOR benchmark interest rate, including the possibility of using SOFR as the alternative to LIBOR. While each system institution is required by the regulator to have a transition plan, the transition from LIBOR to SOFR is expected to be complex and to include the development of term and credit adjustments to minimize, to the extent possible, discrepancies between LIBOR and SOFR. Accordingly, the transition may introduce additional basis risk for market participants, including when an alternative index, e.g., SOFR, exists in conjunction with LIBOR. There can be no guarantee that SOFR will become the dominant alternative to U.S. dollar LIBOR or that SOFR will be widely used. In addition, other alternatives may or may not be developed with additional complications.

Changes in LIBOR may result in interest rates and/or payments that are higher or lower than, or that do not otherwise correlate over time with, the interest rates and/or payments that would have been associated with LIBOR-based Systemwide Debt Securities, or loans or investments that are based on LIBOR, which may increase or decrease the payments to be made on such LIBOR-based Systemwide Debt Securities, or loans or investments that are based on LIBOR.

### OTHER MATTERS

During the third quarter of 2015, the Association entered into an agreement with and began providing certain standard and asrequested optional or negotiated services to Puerto Rico Farm Credit, ACA for a fee. These services include, but do not fully cover and are not limited to, accounting, reporting, risk management, human resources, and loan on-boarding and servicing. The agreement is expected to leverage synergies and realize operating efficiencies and savings for both institutions. Both institutions are required to meet specified obligations under the agreement, which is automatically renewable for a one year term unless terminated by either institution with 180 days prior written notice or sooner if specified obligations are not satisfied.

# RECENTLY ISSUED ACCOUNTING PRONOUNCEMENTS

Please refer to Note 2, Summary of Significant Accounting Policies, in the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements for recently issued accounting pronouncements.

The following Accounting Standards Updates (ASUs) were issued by the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) but have not yet been adopted:

# ASU 2016-13 – Financial Instruments – Credit Losses (Topic 326): Measurement of Credit Losses on Financial Instruments • Replaces multiple existing impairment standards by establishing a single framework for financial assets to reflect management's estimate of current expected credit losses (CECL) over the complete remaining life of the financial assets. • Changes the present incurred loss impairment guidance for loans to a CECL model. • Adoption and Potential Financial Statement Impact • The Association has begun implementation efforts by establishing a cross-discipline governance structure and will implement a third-party model. The Association is currently identifying key interpretive issues and assessing processes against the new guidance to determine what modifications may be required. • The Association expects that the new guidance will result in an increase in

- The Update also modifies the other-than-temporary impairment model for debt securities to require an allowance for credit impairment instead of a direct write-down, which allows for reversal of credit impairments in future periods based on improvements in credit.
- Eliminates existing guidance for purchased credit impaired (PCI) loans, and requires recognition of an allowance for expected credit losses on these financial assets.
- Requires a cumulative-effect adjustment to retained earnings as of the beginning of the reporting period of adoption.
- Effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2020, and interim periods within those fiscal years. Early application will be permitted for fiscal years, and interim periods within those fiscal years, beginning after December 15, 2018.
- The Association expects that the new guidance will result in an increase in its allowance for credit losses due to several factors, including:
  - The allowance related to loans and commitments will most likely increase to cover credit losses over the full remaining expected life of the portfolio, and will consider expected future changes in macroeconomic conditions,
  - An allowance will be established for estimated credit losses on any debt securities,
  - The nonaccretable difference on any PCI loans will be recognized as an allowance, offset by an increase in the carrying value of the related loans.
- The extent of the increase is under evaluation, but will depend upon the nature and characteristics of the Association's portfolio at the adoption date, and the macroeconomic conditions and forecasts at that date.
- The Association expects to adopt the guidance in first quarter 2021.

### ASU <u>2016-02</u> <u>- Leases (Topic 842)</u>

- Requires lessees to recognize leases on the balance sheet with lease liabilities and corresponding right-of-use assets based on the present value of lease payments.
- Lessor accounting activities are largely unchanged from existing lease accounting.
- The Update also eliminates leveraged lease accounting but allows existing leveraged leases to continue their current accounting until maturity, termination or modification.
- Also, expands qualitative and quantitative disclosures of leasing arrangements.
- Requires adoption using a modified cumulative-effect approach wherein
  the guidance is applied to all periods presented. A recent amendment
  provides an additional (and optional) transition method to adopt the new
  leases standard. Under this new transition method, an entity initially
  applies the new leases standard at the adoption date and recognizes a
  cumulative-effect adjustment to the opening balance of retained earnings
  in the period of adoption.
- Effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2018, including interim periods within those fiscal years. Early adoption is permitted.

- The practical expedients allow entities to largely account for existing leases consistent with current guidance, except for the incremental balance sheet recognition for lessees.
- The Association completed its evaluation of leasing contracts and activities and developed its methodology to estimate the right-of-use assets and lease liabilities, which is based on the present value of lease payments. There will not be a material change to the timing of expense recognition.
- Given the limited changes to lessor accounting, there were no material changes to recognition or measurement for the Association.
- The Association will need to provide additional disclosure information as a result of adopting the Update.
- The Association will adopt the guidance in first quarter 2019 using the
  optional modified retrospective method and practical expedients for
  transition.
- Upon adoption, the Association will record a cumulative-effect adjustment to equity of approximately \$0. In addition, a Right of Use Asset in the amount of \$55 and Lease Liability in the amount of \$55 will be recorded.

# Disclosure Required by Farm Credit Administration Regulations

### **Description of Business**

Descriptions of the territory served, persons eligible to borrow, types of lending activities engaged in, financial services offered and related Farm Credit organizations are incorporated herein by reference to Note 1, *Organization and Operations*, of the Consolidated Financial Statements included in this Annual Report to shareholders.

The description of significant developments that had or could have a material impact on earnings or interest rates to borrowers, acquisitions or dispositions of material assets, material changes in the manner of conducting the business, seasonal characteristics, and concentrations of assets, if any, is incorporated in "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" included in this Annual Report.

### **Unincorporated Business Entities**

The Association holds an equity investment in certain Unincorporated Business Entities (UBEs) as an equity interest holder of the limited liability company (LLC).

The Association has an equity investment in a Rural Business Investment Company, Meritus Ventures, L.P., a Delaware Limited Partnership. Meritus Ventures, L.P. is licensed under the Rural Business Investment Program and provides guarantees and grants to promote rural economic development and job opportunities and supplies equity capital investment to small rural enterprises. The Association has a 4.12% ownership in the limited partnership. Additional information may be found in Note 4, *Investments*, of the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements included in this Annual Report to shareholders.

The following LLCs were organized for the stated purpose of holding and managing unusual or complex collateral associated with former loans, until such time as the assets may be sold or otherwise disposed of pursuant to the terms of Operating Agreements of the respective LLCs.

	Entity	
Entity Name	Type	Entity Purpose
Ethanol Holding Company, LLC	LLC	Manage Acquired Property
A 1 Ledges Wilder, LLC	LLC	Manage Acquired Property
A 1 Sequatchie Pointe, LLC	LLC	Manage Acquired Property
Pickens County Properties LLC	LLC	Manage Acquired Property

### **Description of Property**

The following table sets forth certain information regarding the properties of the reporting entity, all of which are located in Florida:

Location	Description	Form of Ownership
11903 Southern Blvd. Ste. 200, 208, 212, 216/114 West Palm Beach	Administrative/ Branch	Owned
12300 NW US Hwy 441 Alachua	Branch	Owned
340 N. Brevard Avenue Arcadia	Branch	Owned
24700 SW 177 <sup>th</sup> Avenue Homestead	Branch	Owned
870 W. Hickpochee Ave, Unit 800 LaBelle	Branch	Leased
15 N. Oak Avenue Lake Placid	Branch	Leased
1606 Canyon Avenue Live Oak	Branch	Owned
5075 NW Blitchton Road Ocala	Branch	Owned
403 NW 6th Street Okeechobee	Branch	Owned

Location	Description	Form of Ownership
309 North 2 <sup>nd</sup> Street Palatka	Branch	Owned
721 South Main Street Trenton	Branch	Owned
7925 20 <sup>th</sup> Street Vero Beach	Branch	Owned
1311 Highway 17 North Wauchula	Branch	Owned

### **Legal Proceedings**

Information, if any, to be disclosed in this section is incorporated herein by reference to Note 11, *Commitments and Contingencies*, of the Consolidated Financial Statements included in this Annual Report.

### **Description of Capital Structure**

Information to be disclosed in this section is incorporated herein by reference to Note 7, *Members' Equity*, of the Consolidated Financial Statements included in this Annual Report.

### **Description of Liabilities**

The description of liabilities, contingent liabilities and obligations to be disclosed in this section is incorporated herein by reference to Notes 2, 6, 9 and 11 of the Consolidated Financial Statements included in this Annual Report.

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

"Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations," which appears in this Annual Report and is to be disclosed in this section, is incorporated herein by reference.

### Senior Officers

The following represents certain information regarding the senior officers of the Association and their business experience for the past five years:

Senior Officer	Position & Other Business Interests
Gregory M. Cunningham	President and Chief Executive Officer since November 2012. Previously employed as Chief Executive Officer at Legacy Ag Credit since 2010, Chief Credit Officer at Alabama Ag Credit since 2008 and Senior Vice President at commercial banks since 2004.
Laura Craker	Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer since June 2012. Previously employed by community banks as a Chief Financial Officer and Director of Accounting since 2005.
Robert W. Teston	Senior Vice President and Chief Credit Officer since January 2013 previously employed as President of a commercial Real Estate firm since 2011, Interim CEO and COO for Legacy Ag Credit since 2009 and provided credit management consulting services to various Farm Credit Associations since 2008.
Marcus A. Boone	Senior Vice President and Chief Lending Officer since April 2013 previously employed as Vice President of the Association Direct Lending Unit at Farm Credit Bank of Texas since 2006.
Roland Kampf	Senior Vice President and Chief Risk Officer since February 2016 and Director of Risk Management since February 2013 and Risk Manager since April 2012, previously employed as Chief Risk Officer and Chief Credit Officer at AgCarolina Financial since 2000, with Farm Credit since 1991.
Deborah Caldeira	Senior Vice President and Chief Human Resources Officer since March 2016 and Director of Human Resources since December 2012, previously employed as Vice President, Manager of Employment & Employee Relations at BankAtlantic since 2005.
April Dawn Goodspeed	Senior Vice President and Chief Operations Officer since April 2017 and Director of Loan Operations and Information Technology since 2015, with Farm Credit since 1989.
Ashley Layson	Senior Vice President and Chief Marketing Officer since April 2017 and Director of Marketing since September 2013, previously employed as Marketing & Public Relations Director at Alabama Ag Credit since 2008.

The total amount of compensation earned by the CEO and highest paid officers as a group during the years ended December 31, 2018, 2017 and 2016, is as follows:

Name of Individual or		Ann	ual		De	ferred	C	hange in	Perq./	
Number in Group	Year	Salary		Bonus	C	Comp. P	ens	ion value**	Other	Total
Gregory M. Cunningham	2018	\$ 416,633	\$	165,468	\$	_	\$	(41,499)	\$ 110,466	\$ 651,068
Gregory M. Cunningham	2017	\$ 393,050	\$	137,562	\$	-	\$	43,284	\$ 84,321	\$ 658,217
Gregory M. Cunningham	2016	\$ 370,802	\$	129,776	\$	-	\$	25,424	\$ 57,695	\$ 583,697
8	2018	\$ 1,435,185	\$	206,536	\$	_	\$	85,317	\$ 78,283	\$ 1,805,321
8	2017	\$ 1,386,415	\$	360,659	\$	_	\$	524,980	\$ 27,497	\$ 2,299,551
6	2016	\$ 1 072 283	\$	288 737	\$	_	\$	350 439	\$ 20 201	\$ 1 731 660

<sup>\*\*</sup> Change in the expected future benefit payment stream based on actuarial assumptions. Does not represent any actual cash compensation provided to any employee. On February 4, 2015, the FCA Board approved the final rule, "Disclosure to Shareholders; Pension Benefit Disclosures." The rule amends FCA Regulations to exclude employee compensation from being reported in the Summary Compensation Table if the employee would be considered a "highly compensated employee" solely because of payments related to or change(s) in value of the employee's qualified pension plan provided that the plan was available to all similarly situated employees on the same basis at the time the employee joined the plan.

### Pension Benefits Table As of December 31, 2018

Name of Individual or Number in Group			Number of Years Credited Service	Ac	arial Present Value of ccumulated denefits **	Payments uring 2018
CEO:						
Gregory M. Cunningham	2018	AgFirst Retirement Plan	6	\$	238,714	\$ _
Gregory M. Cunningham	2018	Supplemental Retirement Plan	6		253,187	_
				\$	491,901	\$ -
Senior Officers and Highly Compensated Employees:						
8 Officers, excluding the CEO	2018	AgFirst Retirement Plan	19.7*	\$	3,576,748	\$ 2,304,523
8 Officers, excluding the CEO	2018	Supplemental Retirement Plan	19.7*		1,625	_
C				\$	3,578,373	\$ 2,304,523

<sup>\*</sup> Represents the average years of credited service for the group

Disclosure of information on total compensation paid during 2018 to any senior officer, or to any other individual included in the total, is available to shareholders upon request.

Amounts in the table classified as Perquisites/Other are comprised primarily of automobile allowance, group life insurance, spousal travel, paid accumulated annual leave, relocation, and severance upon retirement or separation. It also includes amounts contributed by the Association on behalf of the employee to a defined contribution plan unless the plan is made available to all employees on the same basis.

In addition to a base salary, all employees earn additional compensation under an incentive plan. The Association incentive plan is designed to focus employees on the factors that produce success for the Association and its shareholders, and to reward employees for contributing to the Association exceeding its goals. The factors incorporated in the 2018 plan include return on assets, credit quality, credit administration, accrual loan volume growth and net income.

All Association employees, with the exception of the Chief Executive Officer are eligible for incentives under the plan. Participation is not allowed for employees terminating employment prior to the payment of the incentive except for retirement, disability or death which may be paid at the discretion of the CEO or persons having unsatisfactory performance evaluations. New employees receive a pro rata share and must be employed for a minimum of three months to participate in the current year's plan. The incentive earned is based on percentage of salary paid during the year and is calculated based on a matrix of four performance factors and four performance tiers up to a maximum percentage cap. Allowable incentives ranged up to 25 percent of salary paid for senior managers and up to 15 percent of salary paid for other employees depending upon their position.

For loan officers, an additional incentive award opportunity is available to those who perform in excess of a minimum % of their goal as defined by their position. The pool for Loan Officers is funded if the performance objectives of the plan are achieved. However, individual awards ranging up to 20 percent of salary paid will be determined by loan production and fee income goals achieved by that officer.

The incentive plan also includes referral awards to employees for qualified referrals to other lines of business.

All Association employees, except for the CEO who administers the awards, are eligible to receive discretionary awards based on special or exemplary performance as recommended by another employee, the employee's supervisor or directly by the CEO. The discretionary award pools are approved by the Board annually.

The Chief Executive Officer's bonus is at the discretion of the Board of Directors. Bonuses are shown in the year earned, which may be different than the year of payment.

Additionally, all employees are reimbursed for all direct travel expenses incurred when traveling on Association business. A copy of the travel policy is available to shareholders upon written request.

All employees are eligible to receive awards based on (a) years of service on five year, or multiple of five year anniversaries and (b) new hire referrals.

The Association provides retirement benefit plans to all employees. Employees' participation in a plan is mostly determined by date of hire. Additional information on the Association's retirement plans can be found in Note 9, *Employee Benefit Plans*, of the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements.

The Association sponsors a non-qualified supplemental deferred compensation plan for eligible employees. The purpose of the non-qualified plan is to provide supplemental deferred compensation options to eligible key employees. As a non-qualified plan, assets have been allocated and separately invested for this plan, but are not isolated from the general creditors of the Association.

The "Actuarial Present Value of Accumulated Benefits" column in the *Pension Benefits Table* represents the value at a specific date of the expected future benefit payment stream based on actuarial assumptions, chiefly the discount rate. Other assumptions are also used, such as expected retirement age and life expectancy. Changes in the actuarial assumptions can increase or decrease the pension values.

<sup>\*\*</sup> The value of expected future benefit payment stream based on actuarial assumptions. Does not represent any actual cash compensation provided to any employee. Actual funds received can differ based on how actual events compare to assumptions used in the calculation.

### Directors

The following chart details the year the director began serving on the board, the current term of expiration, and total cash compensation paid:

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	ORIGINAL		
	YEAR OF	CURRENT	TOTAL COMP.
	ELECTION OR	TERM	PAID DURING
DIRECTOR	APPOINTMENT		2018
Joseph C. Joyce, Chairman,	2008	2019	\$ 40,500
Outside Director			
Howard P. Bateman, Vice	2004	2019	45,000
Chairman			
John L. Alger	2007	2021	28,200
Tobin J. Basore	2014	2020	29,100
Roger W. Davis	1998	2019	34,800
W. Eric Hopkins, Appointed	2014	2020	31,800
Stockholder Director			
Bobby G. Lines	2015	2021	29,100
Martin J. McKenna	2009	2021	24,000
Douglas I. Moore	2015	2021	24,300
John R. Newbold, III	2014	2020	30,300
Harrell H. Phillips, Jr.	2015	2020	27,900
Robert G. Sexton	1995	2019	31,800
Lisa Sherman, Appointed	2014	2020	27,300
Stockholder Director			
Wayne H. Simmons	2014	2020	26,700
Charles R. Thomas	2013	2019	33,300
Andrea Thurn, Outside Director	2007	2019	26,100
E. E. Waldron, Outside Director	2001	2019	29,400
			\$ 519,600

Subject to approval by the board, the Association may allow directors honoraria of \$600 for attendance at regular board meetings and board committee meetings for the first day of the meeting and \$300 each day thereafter if the meeting extends beyond one day. If a committee meeting is held on a day other than the board meeting date, the Association may allow directors honoraria of \$600 for attendance. If a committee meeting is held via conference call, the Association may allow directors honoraria of \$300 for attendance. If a director is requested by the board to attend a special meeting, other than a regular board or committee meeting, the Association may allow directors honoraria of \$600 per day. Directors are paid a monthly retainer fee of \$1,200, except for the chairman and vice chairman of the board who receive \$1,700 and \$1,450, respectively. Committee chairs are paid an additional monthly retainer of \$250 for Audit and \$150 for Credit and Lending, Governance, and Compensation. Non-cash compensation for the year was less than \$5,000.

The following chart details the number of meetings, other activities, current committee assignments, and additional compensation paid for other activities (if applicable) for each director:

	Days	Served			
Name of Director	Regular Board Meetings	Other Official Activities*	Committee Assignments	for	p. Paid other ivities*
Joseph C. Joyce,	12	5	Executive	\$	13,200
Chairman Howard P. Bateman, Vice Chairman	12	22	Audit, Compensation, Executive, Reconfiguration		18,900
John L. Alger	12	10	Audit		6,900
Tobin J. Basore	12	10	Credit/Lending		7,800
Roger W. Davis	12	21	Credit/Lending, Compensation, Reconfiguration		13,500
W. Eric Hopkins	11	16	Compensation, Governance, Executive, Reconfiguration		9,300
Bobby G. Lines	12	12	Audit		7,800
Martin J. McKenna	11	12	Credit/Lending, Governance		3,300
Douglas I. Moore	10	11	Credit/Lending, Governance		4,200
John R. Newbold, III	10	18	Audit, Compensation		10,200
Harrell H. Phillips, Jr.	12	7	Governance		6,600
Robert G. Sexton	12	14	Governance, Reconfiguration		10,500
Lisa Sherman	10	18	Audit, Credit/Lending, Executive		5,400
Wayne H. Simmons	12	14	Credit/Lending, Governance		5,400
Charles R. Thomas	12	16	Audit, Credit/Lending		12,300
Andrea Thurn	10	11	Audit, Executive		3,000
E. E. Waldron	11	13	Compensation, Governance, Reconfiguration		8,700
				\$	147,000

<sup>\*</sup> Includes board committee meetings and other board activities other than regular board meetings

Directors are reimbursed on an actual cost basis for all expenses incurred in the performance of official duties. Such expenses may include transportation, lodging, meals, tips, tolls, parking of cars, laundry, registration fees, and other expenses associated with travel on official business. A copy of the policy is available to shareholders of the Association upon request.

The aggregate amount of reimbursement for travel, subsistence and other related expenses for all directors as a group was \$194,022 for 2018, \$163,415 for 2017 and \$125,772 for 2016.

The following represents certain information regarding the directors of the Association, including their principal occupation and employment for the past five years. Unless specifically listed, the principal occupation of the board member for the past five years has been as a self-employed farmer.

Joseph C. Joyce, Chairman, serves as an Outside Director of the Association. He is the Executive Director of the University of Florida Leadership and Education Foundation, Inc. He serves as Faculty Advisor to the Wedgworth Agricultural and Natural Resources Leadership Institute within the Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences (IFAS). He retired from the University of Florida in 2015 as a Professor Emeritus after serving 20 years as Senior Associate Vice President for IFAS. He is a 2016 inductee to the Florida Agricultural Hall of Fame. He was appointed by the Governor to the Florida Environmental Regulation commission in 2008, 2012, and 2015. He is a past Director of the Citrus Research and Development Foundation, and retired as a Brigadier General, US Army Reserves after a 28 year career. Dr. Joyce was appointed to the Farm Credit of North Florida board in 2008 and his current term of office is 2016 - 2019. He is a current member and serves as the chair of the Executive Committee.

Howard P. "Rowdy" Bateman, Vice Chairman, has interests in a family cattle operation, as well as his own cattle operation and is President of Bateman Family Partnership, Inc. and is Managing Member of I S Ranch, LLC. He was elected to the Farm Credit of Southwest Florida board in 2004 and his current term of office is 2016 - 2019. Mr. Bateman serves as chair of

the Compensation Committee, and is a current member of the Audit, Executive and Reconfiguration Committees.

John L. Alger is a vegetable grower and nurseryman in Miami-Dade County and is President of Alger Farms, Inc. He is an owner, officer and Director of S. M. Jones and Company, Inc., a produce sales company in Belle Glade, and HAB Packing, LLC, a vegetable packing company in Brinson, Georgia. Mr. Alger is also on the board of Florida Fruit and Vegetable Association, and a member of the Baptist Health South Florida Founders Society and the University of Miami UHealth Champions. Mr. Alger was elected to the Farm Credit of South Florida board in 2007 and his current term of office is 2018 - 2021. He is a current member of the Audit Committee.

Tobin J. "Toby" Basore is a vegetable grower in Western Palm Beach County. He is an owner and manager of TKM Bengard Farms, LLC, a vegetable grower and packing company, and Cypress Cooling, LLC, a vegetable cooling and shipping company. He is an owner and President of TKM Farms, Inc., a vegetable grower and packing company and an owner and senior officer of TKM Management, Inc. He is an owner and managing member of American Berry Company, LLC, a blueberry growing business. He is a Director of the Florida Fruit and Vegetable Association (and serves as Chairman of the Florida Vegetable Exchange), and a Director of the Wedgworth Leadership Institute Alumni Association, a graduate of the Wedgworth Leadership Institute and a member and past Director of the Leadership Palm Beach County organization. Mr. Basore was elected to the Farm Credit of Florida board in 2014 and his current term of office is 2017 - 2020. He is a current member of the Credit/Lending Committee.

Roger W. Davis is a tobacco, corn, and timber farmer and cattle rancher based in Alachua County. He is owner, President and Director of R & H Farms, Inc. He owns CWH Land, LLC and is an owner and Managing Partner of 848 Land, LLC. Mr. Davis was elected to the Farm Credit of North Florida board in 1998 and his current term of office is 2016 - 2019. He also serves on the AgFirst Farm Credit Bank Nominating Committee and the AgFirst District Advisory Committee. He is a current member of the Compensation, Credit/Lending and Reconfiguration Committees.

W. Eric Hopkins is a sugar cane and vegetable grower in Western Palm Beach County, employed by, and part owner of, Hundley Farms, Inc. He is the Board Chairman of Pioneer Growers Cooperative and serves as Director on the boards of Hundley Farms, Inc., Frontier Produce, Inc., Double H Farms, Inc., Florida Fruit and Vegetable Association, and Law Enforcement Assistance Foundation, a fund raising organization. He serves as a Director of Elberta Logistics International, LLC, an agricultural transport business, is an owner and managing member of Many H's, LLC, an agricultural transport business, and is an owner and managing member of American Berry Company, LLC, a blueberry growing business. Mr. Hopkins had previously held elected director positions on the Boards of Farm Credit of South Florida and Farm Credit of Florida from 2009 until 2013. During this time, he was a member of the Audit Committee. On January 30, 2014, the Board appointed Mr. Hopkins as an appointed stockholder director, a position established under the Bylaws and his current term of office is 2017 - 2020. Mr. Hopkins serves as chair of the Governance Committee and is a current member of the Compensation, Executive and Reconfiguration Committees.

Bobby G. "Bob" Lines is a cattle rancher, as well as a Bahia sod and seed producer in Palm Beach and Martin Counties. Mr. Lines owns and operates Agricultural Land Services, Inc., a grassing contractor, that provides sodding and seeding services to various government projects. Additionally, he supervises 4L Land & Cattle, LLC which is a beef cattle operation and also produces beef cattle and roping type cattle. He serves as a Director and is past President of the Florida Quarter Horse Association and as National Director of the American Quarter Horse Association. He was originally appointed to the Farm Credit of Florida board in 2015 for a term that expired in 2016, and then was elected to serve his current term of office, 2018 – 2021. He is a current member of the Audit Committee.

Martin J. "Marty" McKenna is a citrus grower and operates McKenna Brothers, Inc., a privately owned citrus and harvesting operation. He has ownership in Dixie Belle Grove Partnership, Tombstone Grove Partnership, JMCK Enterprises, LLC, New Port Groves Partnership, EdMac Partnership, and McKenna Family Enterprises, LLC. Mr. McKenna is a Director, Officer, and has ownership interest in McKenna & Associates Citrus, Inc., Lakemont Harvesting, Inc., M & M Groves, Inc., McKenna Harvesting, Inc., and Poachers Hammock Grove, Inc. He manages Firetower Grove Partnership. He is past Chairman of the Florida Citrus Commission. Mr. McKenna was elected to the Farm Credit of Southwest Florida board in 2009. His current term of office is 2018 - 2021. He is a current member of the Credit/Lending and Governance Committees.

Douglas I. "Doug" Moore is a beef cattle farmer in Duval County and timber farmer in Baker County. Mr. Moore spent over 30 years in the dairy business. Mr. Moore is a Director, Officer, and has ownership interests in M & M Dairy, Inc., a timber farm, Southeastern Stainless Fabricators, Inc., a metal fabrication business, TM Livestock, Inc., a land development business, and Flatwoods Management, LLC, an agricultural consulting business. Mr. Moore serves as a Director of the North Florida Prescribed Burn Association and serves as Vice President of Baker County Farm Bureau and is on the Farm Bureau Forestry Advisory Committee. He serves on the Advisory Committee of the Florida Wildlife Commission and the Florida Forest Service. Mr. Moore served as past Director and President of Sunshine State Milk Producers, Inc., as past Director and Secretary of Southeast Milk, Inc., and as past Chairman of the Duval County Soil and Water Board. Mr. Moore previously served as Director for 17 years on the North Florida Farm Credit and Farm Credit of Florida Boards. Then Mr. Moore was elected to the Farm Credit of Florida board in 2015 and his current term of office is 2018 - 2021. He is a current member of the Credit/Lending and Governance Committees.

John R. Newbold, III is a cut-foliage farmer in Crescent City, Florida. He owns, operates, and is President of Forest Groves, Inc. He is an owner and manager of Newbold Farms, LLC. He is a Director of the Putnam County Fair Authority, Crescent City Cemetery Association, Florida Wine and Grape Growers Association, and Florida Wildflower Cooperative. Mr. Newbold was elected to the Farm Credit of Florida board in 2014 and his current term of office is 2017 - 2020. He is a current member of the Audit and Compensation Committees.

*Harrell H. "Hal" Phillips, Jr.* is a cattleman and veterinarian in Levy and Marion Counties. Dr. Phillips owns and operates

Phillips Ranch, a ranching and background / stocker operation, with almost 1,200 breeding age beef cattle and background approximately 1,500 calves annually. The ranch also produces hay, sod, grass seed, small grains, and timber. Dr. Phillips has 31 years of experience as a veterinarian. He serves as Director, and is past President, of both the Florida Cattlemen's Association and the Marion County Cattlemen's Association. Dr. Phillips is a past Director of the National Cattlemen's Beef Association. He has ownership in The Creek at Wekiva, LLC, a recreation and conservation property. He serves as Director on the Southeastern Youth Fair Board. He was originally appointed to the Farm Credit of Florida board in 2015 for a term that expired in 2016, and then was elected to serve a term of office from 2016 – 2017. His current term of office is 2017 - 2020. He is a current member of the Governance Committee.

Robert G. "Bobby" Sexton is a citrus grower and juice processor from Vero Beach, Florida. He is the owner, a Director and President of Oslo Citrus Growers Association, Inc., and co-owner of Orchid Island Juice Company. He is coowner and serves as a Director on the boards of Oslo, Inc., Lost Legend, LLC, Sexton Grove Holdings, an agricultural company, Sexton Citrus, LLC, Oslo Packing Company, and Sexton, Inc., family real estate companies. He is a shareholder and also serves as a Director on the board of the Federal Agricultural Mortgage Corporation (Farmer Mac). He serves on the Board of the Scholarship Foundation of Indian River County, and serves as an Outside Director for McArthur Farms, a dairy company. Mr. Sexton was elected to the Farm Credit of South Florida board in 1995 and his current term of office is 2016 - 2019. Mr. Sexton is the chair of the Reconfiguration Committee and a current member of the Governance Committee.

**Lisa Sherman** is a citrus grower in Highlands County and has ownership interest in Black Bear Citrus, LLC and Lake Childs Citrus, Inc. She is a Certified Public Accountant in Lake Placid. Ms. Sherman is an officer and serves on the board of Black Bear Citrus, LLC, Lake Childs Citrus, Inc., The Great Fruit Company, Inc., Highlands County 4H Club Foundation, Embassy Ministries, Inc., Good Care Home, Inc., and Lisa Sherman, CPA, P.A. Mrs. Sherman had previously held an Outside Director position on the boards of Farm Credit of Southwest Florida and Farm Credit of Florida from 2008 until May 2014. On May 29, 2014, the board appointed Mrs. Sherman as an appointed stockholder director, a position established under the Bylaws and her current term of office is 2017 - 2020. Ms. Sherman is a current member of the Audit, Credit/Lending, and Executive Committees. She serves as chair of the Credit/Lending Committee.

Wayne H. Simmons is a citrus grower, timber farmer, realtor, and rental property owner from LaBelle, Florida. He is an owner and President of Simmons Family Grove, Inc. He is an owner and manager of LaBelle Fruit Company, LLC, LaBelle Housing Company, LLC and LaBelle Timber Company, LLC. Mr. Simmons is a Broker Associate of Southern Heritage Real Estate and Investments. He is also licensed in Georgia as an associate with Green Forest & Farm Realty, LLC. He is a Director and Past President of the Gulf Citrus Growers Association. Mr. Simmons is a past Director of the Citrus Research and Development Foundation. He is also a member of the Florida Citrus Production Managers Association, Hendry County Farm Bureau, and Realtors Land Institute. Mr. Simmons was elected to the Farm Credit of Florida board in

2014 and his term of office is 2017 - 2020. He is a current member of the Credit/Lending and Governance Committees.

Charles R. Thomas is a timber and cattle farmer in Suwannee County. His timber operation consists of pine plantation and pine straw. In addition, Mr. Thomas is a restaurant owner, automobile dealer, and rental property owner. He has ownership interest in and operates Dixie Grill Restaurant, Dixie Motors, LLC, Thomas Farms, Thomas Rental, Block 60 Holdings, LLC, Fields of McAlpin, LLC, Bragg Branch Crossing, Inc., and MCN Partners, LLC. Mr. Thomas is Chairman of the Suwannee County Tourist Development Council, and a member of Farm Bureau and Florida Forestry Association. Mr. Thomas was elected to the Farm Credit of Florida board in 2013 and his current term of office is 2016 - 2019. He is a current member of the Audit and Credit/Lending Committees.

Andrea Thurn serves as an Outside Director for the Association. She is a Certified Public Accountant and a Partner/Owner in Morgan, Jacoby, Thurn, Boyle and Associates, P.A. in Vero Beach. She is co-owner and serves as Secretary/Treasurer of Vero Chemical Distributors, a janitorial paper and chemical supplier. Ms. Thurn was appointed to the Farm Credit of South Florida board in 2007 and her current term of office is 2016 - 2019. She is a current member of the Audit and Executive Committees. She serves as chair of the Audit Committee.

*E.E. "Bucky" Waldron* serves as an Outside Director for the Association. He is an attorney with a private civil practice in Arcadia. He was appointed to the Farm Credit of Southwest Florida board in 2001 and his current term of office is 2016 - 2019. He is a current member of the Compensation, Governance and Reconfiguration Committees.

### **Transactions with Senior Officers and Directors**

The reporting entity's policies on loans to and transactions with its officers and directors, to be disclosed in this section are incorporated herein by reference to Note 10, *Related Party Transactions*, of the Consolidated Financial Statements included in this Annual Report. There have been no transactions between the Association and senior officers or directors which require reporting per FCA regulations. In the opinion of management, none of the loans outstanding at December 31, 2018 to senior officers or directors as defined in FCA regulations involved more than the normal risk of collectability.

### **Involvement in Certain Legal Proceedings**

There were no matters which came to the attention of management or the board of directors regarding involvement of current directors or senior officers in specified legal proceedings which should be disclosed in this section. No directors or senior officers have been involved in any legal proceedings during the last five years which require reporting per FCA regulations.

### Relationship with Independent Auditors

There were no changes in or material disagreements with our independent auditors on any matter of accounting principles or financial statement disclosure during this period.

Aggregate fees paid by the Association for services rendered by its independent auditors for the year ended December 31, 2018 were as follows:

		2018
Independent Auditors	<u></u>	
PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP		
Audit services	\$	60,201
Total	\$	60,201

Audit fees were for the annual audit of the consolidated financial statements.

### **Consolidated Financial Statements**

The consolidated financial statements, together with the report thereon of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP dated March 13, 2019 and the report of management, which appear in this Annual Report, are incorporated herein by reference.

Copies of the Association's Annual and unaudited Quarterly reports are available upon request free of charge by calling 1-800-432-4156 or writing Laura Craker, Farm Credit of Florida, ACA, P. O. Box 213069, West Palm Beach, FL 33421 or accessing the web site, www.farmcreditfl.com. The Association prepares an electronic version of the Annual Report which is available on the Association's web site within 75 days after the end of the fiscal year and distributes the Annual Reports to shareholders within 90 days after the end of the fiscal year. The Association prepares an electronic version of the Quarterly report, which is available on the Association's web site, 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.

### **Borrower Information Regulations**

Since 1972, Farm Credit Administration (FCA) regulations have required that borrower information be held in strict confidence by Farm Credit System (FCS) institutions, their directors, officers and employees. These regulations provide Farm Credit institutions clear guidelines for protecting their borrowers' nonpublic personal information.

On November 10, 1999, the FCA Board adopted a policy that requires FCS institutions to formally inform new borrowers at loan closing of the FCA regulations on releasing borrower information and to address this information in the Annual Report. The implementation of these measures ensures that new and existing borrowers are aware of the privacy protections afforded them through FCA regulations and Farm Credit System institution efforts.

### Credit and Services to Young, Beginning, and Small Farmers and Ranchers and Producers or Harvesters of Aquatic Products

Information to be disclosed in this section is incorporated herein by reference to the similarly named section in the "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" section included in this Annual Report to the shareholders.

### Shareholder Investment

Shareholder investment in the Association may be materially affected by the financial condition and results of operations of AgFirst Farm Credit Bank (Bank or AgFirst). Copies of the Bank's Annual and Quarterly reports are available upon request free of charge by calling 1-800-845-1745, ext. 2832, or writing Susanne Caughman, AgFirst Farm Credit Bank, P. O. Box 1499, Columbia, SC 29202. Information concerning AgFirst Farm Credit Bank can also be obtained by going to AgFirst's web site at www.agfirst.com. The Bank prepares an electronic version of the Annual Report, which is available on the website, within 75 days after the end of the fiscal year. The Bank prepares an electronic version of the Quarterly report within 40 days after the end of each fiscal quarter, except that no report needs to be prepared for the fiscal quarter that coincides with the end of the fiscal year of the Bank.

# Report of the Audit Committee

The Audit Committee of the Board of Directors (Committee) is comprised of the directors named below. None of the directors who serve on the Committee is an employee of Farm Credit of Florida, ACA (Association) and in the opinion of the Board of Directors, each is free of any relationship with the Association or management that would interfere with the director's independent judgment on the Committee.

The Committee has adopted a written charter that has been approved by the Board of Directors. The Committee has reviewed and discussed the Association's audited financial statements with management, which has primary responsibility for the financial statements.

PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP (PwC), the Association's independent auditors for 2018, is responsible for expressing an opinion on the conformity of the Association's audited financial statements with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The Committee has discussed with PwC the matters that are required to be discussed by Statement on Auditing Standards No. 114 (*The Auditor's Communication With Those Charged With Governance*). The Committee discussed with PwC its independence from Farm Credit of Florida, ACA. The Committee also reviewed the non-audit services provided by PwC and concluded that these services were not incompatible with maintaining PwC's independence.

Based on the considerations referred to above, the Committee recommended to the Board of Directors that the audited financial statements be included in the Association's Annual Report for 2018. The foregoing report is provided by the following independent directors, who constitute the Committee:

Andrea Thurn

Chairman of the Audit Committee

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**Members of Audit Committee** 

John L. Alger Howard P. Bateman Bobby G. Lines John R. Newbold, III Lisa Sherman Charles R. Thomas



### **Report of Independent Auditors**

To the Board of Directors and Management of Farm Credit of Florida, ACA

We have audited the accompanying consolidated financial statements of Farm Credit of Florida, ACA and its subsidiaries (the "Association"), which comprise the consolidated balance sheets as of December 31, 2018, 2017 and 2016, and the related consolidated statements of income, comprehensive income, changes in members' equity and cash flows for the years then ended.

### Management's Responsibility for the Consolidated Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the consolidated financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of consolidated financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

### Auditors' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the consolidated financial statements based on our audits. We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the consolidated financial statements. The procedures selected depend on our judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the consolidated financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, we consider internal control relevant to the Association's preparation and fair presentation of the consolidated financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Association's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the consolidated financial statements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

### **Opinion**

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Farm Credit of Florida, ACA and its subsidiaries as of December 31, 2018, 2017 and 2016, and the results of their operations and their cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

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# **Consolidated Balance Sheets**

(dollars in thousands)	2018	Dec	cember 31, 2017	\$ \$	2016
Assets Cash	\$ 331	\$	211	\$	244
Assets	4,224		5,467		7,417
	 1,163,920 (9,186)		1,131,004 (7,774)		1,032,804 (6,560)
Net loans	 1,154,734		1,123,230		1,026,244
Accrued interest receivable Equity investments in other Farm Credit institutions Premises and equipment, net Other property owned Accounts receivable	 260 6,422 14,712 7,696 73 15,406 862		8 5,393 13,940 6,942 95 15,401 897		577 4,243 13,697 6,626 366 11,421 5,495
Total assets	\$ 1,204,720	\$	1,171,584	\$	1,076,330
Notes payable to AgFirst Farm Credit Bank Accrued interest payable Patronage refunds payable Accounts payable Advanced conditional payments	\$ 915,039 2,566 12,742 2,578 1,126 5,531	\$	894,913 2,062 11,803 2,954 1,105 6,337	\$	809,137 1,541 10,899 3,195 1,096 12,953
Total liabilities	 939,582		919,174		838,821
Capital stock and participation certificates Additional paid-in-capital	445 2,543 7,873		445 2,452 7,873		445 2,272 7,873
Allocated Unallocated	 118,040 136,432 (195)		114,789 127,089 (238)		109,960 117,171 (212)
Total members' equity	 265,138		252,410		237,509
Total liabilities and members' equity	\$ 1,204,720	\$	1,171,584	\$	1,076,330

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

# **Consolidated Statements of Income**

	For the y	ear ended Dece	mber 31,
(dollars in thousands)	2018	2017	2016
Interest Income			
Loans	\$ 61,363	\$ 51,976	\$ 47,140
Investments	210	235	270
Total interest income	61,573	52,211	47,410
Interest Expense			
Notes payable to AgFirst Farm Credit Bank	27,914	22,118	17,301
Net interest income	33,659	30,093	30,109
Provision for (reversal of allowance for) loan losses	2,321	28	(1,101)
Net interest income after provision for (reversal of allowance for)			
loan losses	31,338	30,065	31,210
Noninterest Income			
Loan fees	910	869	840
Fees for financially related services	983	1,066	962
Patronage refunds from other Farm Credit institutions	14,995	15,164	11,257
Gains (losses) on sales of rural home loans, net	339	353	231
Gains (losses) on sales of premises and equipment, net	184	60	27
Gains (losses) on other transactions	(18)	210	(54)
Insurance Fund refunds	572	_	
Other noninterest income	454	373	393
Total noninterest income	18,419	18,095	13,656
Noninterest Expense			
Salaries and employee benefits	18,285	17,617	17,581
Occupancy and equipment	1,164	1,103	1,295
Insurance Fund premiums	778	1,200	1,226
(Gains) losses on other property owned, net	(125)	59	713
Other operating expenses	4,310	1,933	3,563
Total noninterest expense	24,412	21,912	24,378
Net income	\$ 25,345	\$ 26,248	\$ 20,488

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

# **Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income**

	For the	For the year ended December 3							
(dollars in thousands)	2018	2017	2016						
Net income	\$ 25,345	\$ 26,248	\$ 20,488						
Other comprehensive income net of tax Employee benefit plans adjustments	43	(26)	(5)						
Comprehensive income	\$ 25,388	\$ 26,222	\$ 20,483						

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

# **Consolidated Statements of Changes in Members' Equity**

		tected rower	St	Capital ock and ticipation	Ad	lditional	Retained	Earnings	Accumulated Other Comprehensive	Total Members'
(dollars in thousands)	S	tock			Paid-	-in-Capital	Allocated	Unallocated		Equity
Balance at December 31, 2015 Comprehensive income	\$	531	\$	2,085	\$	7,873	\$ 106,263	\$ 110,881 20,488	\$ (207) (5)	\$ 227,426 20,483
Protected borrower stock issued/(retired), net Capital stock/participation certificates		(86)						20,400	(3)	(86)
issued/(retired), net				187						187
Patronage distribution Cash Nonqualified retained earnings							4,072	(10,500) (4,072)		(10,500)
Patronage distribution adjustment							(375)	374		(1)
Balance at December 31, 2016	\$	445	\$	2,272	\$	7,873	\$ 109,960	\$ 117,171	\$ (212)	\$ 237,509
Comprehensive income								26,248	(26)	26,222
Capital stock/participation certificates issued/(retired), net				180						180
Patronage distribution Cash								(11,500)		(11,500)
Nonqualified retained earnings Patronage distribution adjustment							5,387 (558)	(5,387) 557		<u> </u>
Balance at December 31, 2017	\$	445	\$	2,452	\$	7,873	\$ 114,789	\$ 127,089	\$ (238)	\$ 252,410
Comprehensive income								25,345	43	25,388
Capital stock/participation certificates issued/(retired), net				91						91
Patronage distribution Cash								(12,750)		(12,750)
Nonqualified retained earnings Patronage distribution adjustment							4,132 (881)	(4,132) 880		(1)
Balance at December 31, 2018	\$	445	\$	2,543	\$	7,873	\$ 118,040	\$ 136,432	<b>\$</b> (195)	\$ 265,138

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

# **Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows**

	For the year ended December 31,					
(dollars in thousands)		2018	2017		2016	
Cash flows from operating activities:						
Net income	\$	25,345	\$	26,248	\$	20,488
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash						
provided by (used in) operating activities:						
Depreciation on premises and equipment		594		552		546
Amortization (accretion) of net deferred loan costs (fees)		(664)		(561)		(703)
Premium amortization (discount accretion) on investments in debt securities		57		83		162
Amortization (accretion) of yield mark resulting from merger		(1,241)		(1,219)		(2,051)
Provision for (reversal of allowance for) loan losses		2,321		28		(1,101)
(Gains) losses on other property owned		(98)		32		288
(Gains) losses on sales of premises and equipment, net		(184)		(60)		(27)
(Gains) losses on sales of rural home loans, net		(339)		(353)		(231)
(Gains) losses on other transactions		18		(210)		54
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:		(2( 224)		(2( 010)		(10.750)
Origination of loans held for sale		(36,324)		(26,918)		(19,759)
Proceeds from sales of loans held for sale, net		36,411		27,840		19,487
(Increase) decrease in accrued interest receivable (Increase) decrease in accounts receivable		(1,029)		(1,150) (3,980)		(389)
(Increase) decrease in accounts receivable  (Increase) decrease in other assets		(5) 35		4,598		(319) 1,752
Increase (decrease in other assets  Increase (decrease) in accrued interest payable		504		521		1,732
Increase (decrease) in accounts payable		(376)		(241)		603
Increase (decrease) in other liabilities		(709)		(6,425)		(63)
Total adjustments		(1,029)		(7,463)		(1,592)
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities		24,316		18,785		18,896
Cash flows from investing activities:		24,310		10,703		10,090
Proceeds from maturities of or principal payments		1.106		1.002		2.556
received on investments in debt securities, held to maturity		1,196		1,882		2,556 (80,644)
Net (increase) decrease in loans		(31,958)		(95,479) (243)		(695)
(Increase) decrease in equity investments in other Farm Credit institutions Purchases of premises and equipment		(772) (1,364)		(868)		(610)
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Proceeds from sales of premises and equipment		200		60		23
Proceeds from sales of other property owned		80		490		3,607
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities  Cash flows from financing activities:		(32,618)		(94,158)		(75,763)
Advances on (repayment of) notes payable to AgFirst Farm Credit Bank, net		20,122		85,748		65,741
Net increase (decrease) in advanced conditional payments		20,122		9		(256)
Protected borrower stock retired		21		_		(86)
Capital stock and participation certificates issued/(retired), net		<u> </u>		180		187
Patronage refunds and dividends paid		(11,812)		(10,597)		(8,498)
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities		8,422		75,340		57,088
Net increase (decrease) in cash		120		(33)		221
Cash, beginning of period		211		244		23
Cash, end of period	\$	331	\$	211	\$	244
Supplemental schedule of non-cash activities:						
Financed sales of other property owned	\$		\$	_	\$	2,231
Receipt of property in settlement of loans		32		258		934
Estimated cash dividends or patronage distributions declared or payable		12,500		11,500		10,500
Employee benefit plans adjustments (Note 9)		(43)		26		5
Supplemental information:						
Interest paid		27,406		21,569		17,434
The accompanying notes are an integral part of these	e finar		ıts.			
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# Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements

(dollars in thousands, except as noted)

# Note 1 — Organization and Operations

A. Organization: Farm Credit of Florida, ACA (the Association) is a member-owned cooperative which provides credit and credit-related services to qualified borrowers in the counties of Alachua, Baker, Bradford, Broward, Charlotte, Clay, Collier, Columbia, DeSoto, Dixie, Duval, Flagler, Gilchrist, Glades, Hamilton, Hardee, Hendry, Highlands, Indian River, Lafayette, Lee, Levy, Manatee, Marion, Martin, Miami-Dade, Monroe, Nassau, Okeechobee, Palm Beach, Putnam, St. Johns, St. Lucie, Sarasota, Suwannee and Union in the state of Florida.

The Association is a lending institution in the Farm Credit System (System), a nationwide network of cooperatively owned banks and associations. It was established by Acts of Congress and is subject to the provisions of the Farm Credit Act of 1971, as amended (Farm Credit Act). The System specializes in providing financing and related services to qualified borrowers for agricultural and rural purposes.

The nation is served by three Farm Credit Banks (FCBs) and one Agricultural Credit Bank (ACB), (collectively, the System Banks) each of which has specific lending authorities within its chartered territory. The ACB also has additional specific nationwide lending authorities.

Each System Bank serves one or more Agricultural Credit Associations (ACAs) that originate long-term, short-term and intermediate-term loans, Production Credit Associations (PCAs) that originate and service short- and intermediateterm loans, and/or Federal Land Credit Associations (FLCAs) that originate and service long-term real estate mortgage loans. These associations borrow a majority of the funds for their lending activities from their related bank. System Banks are also responsible for supervising the activities of associations within their districts. AgFirst (Bank) and its related associations (Associations or District Associations) are collectively referred to as the AgFirst District. The District Associations jointly own substantially all of AgFirst's voting stock. As of year end, the District consisted of the Bank and nineteen District Associations. All nineteen were structured as ACA holding companies, with PCA and FLCA subsidiaries. FLCAs are tax-exempt while ACAs and PCAs are taxable.

The Farm Credit Administration (FCA) is delegated authority by Congress to regulate the System banks and associations. The FCA examines the activities of the associations and certain actions by the associations are subject to the prior approval of the FCA and the supervising bank.

The Farm Credit Act also established the Farm Credit System Insurance Corporation (Insurance Corporation) to administer the Farm Credit Insurance Fund (Insurance Fund). The Insurance Fund is required to be used (1) to ensure the timely payment of principal and interest on Systemwide debt obligations (Insured Debt), (2) to ensure

the retirement of protected borrower capital at par or stated value, and (3) for other specified purposes. The Insurance Fund is also available for discretionary uses by the Insurance Corporation to provide assistance to certain troubled System institutions and to cover the operating expenses of the Insurance Corporation. Each System bank has been required to pay premiums, which may be passed on to the Association, into the Insurance Fund, based on its average adjusted outstanding Insured Debt until the assets in the Insurance Fund reach the "secure base amount." The secure base amount is defined in the Farm Credit Act as 2.0 percent of the aggregate insured obligations (adjusted to reflect the reduced risk on loans or investments guaranteed by federal or state governments) or such other percentage of the aggregate obligations as the Insurance Corporation at its sole discretion determines to be actuarially sound. When the amount in the Insurance Fund exceeds the secure base amount, the Insurance Corporation is required to reduce premiums and may return excess funds above the secure base amount to System institutions. However, it must still ensure that reduced premiums are sufficient to maintain the level of the Insurance Fund at the secure base amount.

B. Operations: The Farm Credit Act sets forth the types of authorized lending activity and financial services that can be offered by the Association, and the persons eligible to borrow.

The Associations borrow from the Bank and in turn may originate and service short- and intermediate-term loans to their members, as well as long-term real estate mortgage loans.

The Bank primarily lends to the District Associations in the form of a line of credit to fund the Associations' earning assets. These lines of credit (or Direct Notes) are collateralized by a pledge of substantially all of each Association's assets. The terms of the Direct Notes are governed by a General Financing Agreement (GFA) between the Bank and Association. Each advance is structured such that the principal cash flow, repricing characteristics, and underlying index (if any) of the advance match those of the assets being funded. By match-funding the Association loans, the Associations' exposure to interest rate risk is minimized.

In addition to providing funding for earning assets, the Bank provides District Associations with banking and support services such as accounting, human resources, information systems, and marketing. The costs of these support services are included in cost of the Direct Note, or in some cases billed directly to certain Associations that use a specific service.

The Association is authorized to provide, either directly or in participation with other lenders, credit, credit commitments, and related services to eligible borrowers. Eligible borrowers include farmers, ranchers, producers or harvesters of aquatic products, rural residents, and farm-related businesses.

The Association may sell to any System borrowing member, on an optional basis, credit or term life insurance appropriate to protect the loan commitment in the event of death of the debtor(s). The sale of other insurance necessary to protect a member's farm or aquatic unit is permitted, but limited to hail and multi-peril crop insurance, and insurance necessary to protect the facilities and equipment of aquatic borrowers.

# Note 2 — Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The accounting and reporting policies of the Association conform with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP) and prevailing practices within the banking industry. The preparation of financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the Consolidated Financial Statements and accompanying notes. Significant estimates are discussed in these footnotes, as applicable. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The accompanying consolidated financial statements include the accounts of the ACA, PCA and FLCA.

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

- A. Cash: Cash represents cash on hand and on deposit at banks.
- B. Loans and Allowance for Loan Losses: The Association is authorized to make long-term real estate loans with maturities of 5 to 40 years and certain short- and intermediate-term loans for agricultural production or operating purposes with maturities of not more than 10 years.

Loans are carried at their principal amount outstanding adjusted for charge-offs, premiums, discounts, deferred loan fees or costs, and derivative instruments and hedging valuation adjustments, if any. Interest on loans is accrued and credited to interest income based upon the daily principal amount outstanding. The difference in the total investment in a loan and its principal amount may be deferred as part of the carrying amount of the loan and the net difference amortized over the life of the related loan as an adjustment to interest income using the effective interest method.

Impaired loans are loans for which it is probable that all principal and interest will not be collected according to the contractual terms of the loan and are generally considered substandard or doubtful, which is in accordance with the loan rating model, as described below. Impaired loans include nonaccrual loans, restructured loans, and loans past due 90 days or more and still accruing interest. 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

remains contractually past due 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. A formal restructuring may also cure a past due status.

Loans are generally classified as nonaccrual when principal or interest is delinquent for 90 days (unless adequately collateralized and in the process of collection) or circumstances indicate that collection of principal and/or interest is in doubt. When a loan is placed in nonaccrual status, accrued interest deemed uncollectible is reversed (if accrued in the current year) or charged against the allowance for loan losses (if accrued in the prior year).

When loans are in nonaccrual status, payments are applied against the recorded investment in the loan asset. If collection of the recorded investment in the loan is fully expected and the loan does not have a remaining unrecovered prior charge-off associated with it, the interest portion of payments received in cash may be recognized as interest income. Nonaccrual loans may be returned to accrual status when principal and interest are current, prior charge-offs have been recovered, the ability of the borrower to fulfill the contractual repayment terms is fully expected, and the loan is not classified "doubtful" or "loss." Loans are charged off at the time they are determined to be uncollectible.

In cases where a borrower experiences financial difficulties and the Association makes certain monetary concessions to the borrower through modifications to the contractual terms of the loan, the loan is classified as a restructured loan. A restructured loan constitutes a troubled debt restructuring (TDR) if for economic or legal reasons related to the debtor's financial difficulties the Association grants a concession to the debtor that it would not otherwise consider. If the borrower's ability to meet the revised payment schedule is uncertain, the loan is classified as a nonaccrual loan.

The allowance for loan losses is maintained at a level considered adequate by management to provide for probable and estimable losses inherent in the loan portfolio as of the report date. The allowance for loan losses is increased through provisions for loan losses and loan recoveries and is decreased through loan charge-offs and allowance reversals. A review of individual loans in each respective portfolio is performed periodically to determine the appropriateness of risk ratings and to ensure loss exposure to the Association has been identified. The allowance for loan losses is a valuation account used to reasonably estimate loan losses as of the financial statement date. Determining the appropriate allowance for loan losses balance involves significant judgment about when a loss has been incurred and the amount of that loss.

The Association considers the following factors, among others, when determining the allowance for loan losses:

- Changes in credit risk classifications
- Changes in collateral values
- Changes in risk concentrations
- Changes in weather-related conditions
- Changes in economic conditions

A specific allowance may be established for impaired loans under Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) guidance on accounting by creditors for impairment of a loan. Impairment of these loans is measured based on the present value of expected future cash flows discounted at the loan's effective interest rate or, as practically expedient, at the loan's observable market price or fair value of the collateral if the loan is collateral dependent.

A general allowance may also be established under FASB guidance on accounting for contingencies, to reflect estimated probable credit losses inherent in the remainder of the loan portfolio which excludes impaired loans considered under the specific allowance discussed above. A general allowance can be evaluated on a pool basis for those loans with similar characteristics. The level of the general allowance may be based on management's best estimate of the likelihood of default adjusted for other relevant factors reflecting the current environment.

The credit risk rating methodology is a key component of the Association's allowance for loan losses evaluation, and is generally incorporated into the institution's loan underwriting standards and internal lending limit. The Association uses a two-dimensional loan rating model based on internally generated combined system risk rating guidance that incorporates a 14-point risk rating scale to identify and track the probability of borrower default and a separate scale addressing loss given default over a period of time. Probability of default is the probability that a borrower will experience a default within 12 months from the date of the determination of the risk rating. A default is considered to have occurred if the lender believes the borrower will not be able to pay its obligation in full or the borrower is past due more than 90 days. The loss given default is management's estimate as to the anticipated economic loss on a specific loan assuming default has occurred or is expected to occur within the next 12 months.

Each of the 14 categories carries a distinct percentage of default probability. The 14-point risk rating scale provides for granularity of the probability of default, especially in the acceptable ratings. There are nine acceptable categories that range from a borrower of the highest quality to a borrower of minimally acceptable quality. The probability of default between 1 and 9 is very narrow and would reflect almost no default to a minimal default percentage. The probability of default grows more rapidly as a loan moves from a "9" to other assets especially mentioned and grows significantly as a loan moves to a substandard (viable) level. A substandard (non-viable) rating indicates that the probability of default is almost certain.

The Association may acquire loans individually, in groups or portfolios. Acquired loans are recorded at estimated fair value on their purchase date with no carryover of any related allowance for loan losses. Acquired loans are segregated between those considered to be credit impaired and those deemed performing. To make this determination, management considers such factors as past due status, nonaccrual status and credit risk ratings. The fair value of acquired performing loans is determined by discounting expected cash flows, both principal and interest, for each loan at prevailing market interest rates. The difference between the fair value and principal balances due at

acquisition date, the fair value discount, is accreted into income over the estimated life of each loan.

## Purchased Credit Impaired (PCI) Loans

For certain acquired loans that experienced deterioration in credit quality between origination and acquisition, the amount paid for the loan will reflect this fact. At acquisition, each loan is reviewed to determine whether there is evidence of deterioration of credit quality since origination and if it is probable that the Association would be unable to collect all amounts due according to the loan's contractual terms. If both conditions exist, the purchaser determines whether each such loan is to be accounted for individually or assembled into pools of loans based on common risk characteristics (credit score, loan type, and date of origination, for example). Considerations of value should include expected prepayments, the estimated amount and timing of undiscounted expected principal, interest, and other cash flows (expected at acquisition) for each loan and the subsequently aggregated pool of loans. Any excess of the loan's or pool's scheduled contractual principal and contractual interest payments over all of the cash flows expected at acquisition is an amount that should not be accreted to income (nonaccretable difference). The remaining amount, representing the excess of the loan's cash flows expected to be collected over the amount paid, is accreted into interest income over the remaining life of the loan or pool (accretable yield).

Accounting guidance requires that the purchaser continue to estimate cash flows expected to be collected over the life of the loan or pool. The purchaser then evaluates at the balance sheet date whether the present value of its loans, determined using the effective interest rate, has decreased and if so, recognizes a loss. For loans or pools that are not accounted for as debt securities, the present value of any subsequent increase in the loan's or pool's actual cash flows or cash flows expected to be collected is used first to reverse any existing valuation allowance for that loan or pool. For any remaining increases in cash flows expected to be collected, or for loans or pools accounted for as debt securities, a purchaser adjusts the amount of accretable yield recognized on a prospective basis over the loan's or pool's remaining life.

Valuation allowances for all PCI loans reflect only those losses incurred after acquisition, that is, the present value of cash flows expected at acquisition that are not expected to be collected. Valuation allowances are established only subsequent to acquisition of the loans.

- C. Loans Held for Sale: Loans are classified as held for sale when there is intent to sell the loans within a reasonable period of time. Loans intended for sale are carried at the lower of cost or fair value. Generally, only home loans that are to be sold on the secondary mortgage market through various lenders are held for sale.
- D. Other Property Owned (OPO): Other property owned, consisting of real estate, personal property, and other assets acquired through a collection action, is recorded upon acquisition at fair value less estimated selling costs. Any initial reduction in the carrying amount of a loan to the fair value of the collateral received is charged to the allowance for loan losses. Revised estimates to the fair value less cost to sell are reported as adjustments to the carrying amount

of the asset, provided that such adjusted value is not in excess of the carrying amount at acquisition. Income, expenses, and carrying value adjustments related to other property owned are included in Gains (Losses) from Other Property Owned, Net in the Consolidated Statements of Income.

E. Premises and Equipment: Land is carried at cost. Premises and equipment are carried at cost less accumulated depreciation. Depreciation is provided on the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the assets. Gains and losses on dispositions are reflected in current earnings. Maintenance and repairs are charged to expense and improvements are capitalized. Premises and equipment are evaluated for impairment whenever events or circumstances indicate that the carrying value of the asset may not be recoverable.

From time to time, assets classified as premises and equipment are transferred to held for sale for various reasons. These assets are carried in Other Assets at the lower of the recorded investment in the asset or fair value less estimated cost to sell based upon the property's appraised value at the date of transfer. Any write-down of property held for sale is recorded as a loss in the period identified.

F. Investments: The Association may hold investments as described below.

# Equity Investments in Other Farm Credit System Institutions

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.

#### Investments in Debt Securities

The Association holds certain investment securities, as permitted under the FCA regulations. These investments are classified based on management's intention on the date of purchase and are generally recorded in the Consolidated Balance Sheets as securities on the trade date.

Securities for which the Association has the intent and ability to hold to maturity are classified as held-to-maturity (HTM) and carried at amortized cost. Investment securities classified as available-for-sale (AFS) are carried at fair value with net unrealized gains and losses included as a component of Other Comprehensive Income (OCI). Purchase premiums and discounts are amortized or accreted ratably over the term of the respective security using the interest method. The amortization of premiums on certain purchased callable debt securities that have explicit, noncontingent call features and that are callable at fixed prices on preset dates are amortized to the earliest call date.

#### Impairment

The Association reviews all investments that are in a loss position in order to determine whether the unrealized loss, which is considered an impairment, is temporary or other-than-temporary. As mentioned above, changes in the fair

value of AFS investments are reflected in OCI, unless the investment is deemed to be other-than-temporarily impaired (OTTI). Impairment is considered to be other-thantemporary if the present value of cash flows expected to be collected from the debt security is less than the amortized cost basis of the security (any such shortfall is referred to as a "credit loss"). If the Association intends to sell an impaired debt security or is more likely than not to be required to sell the security before recovery of its amortized cost basis less any current-period credit loss, the impairment is other-than-temporary and recognized currently in earnings in an amount equal to the entire difference between fair value and amortized cost. If a credit loss exists, but the Association does not intend to sell the impaired debt security and is not more likely than not to be required to sell before recovery, the impairment is otherthan-temporary and is separated into (i) the estimated amount relating to credit loss, and (ii) the amount relating to all other factors. Only the estimated credit loss amount is charged to current earnings, with the remainder of the loss amount recognized in OCI.

In subsequent periods, if the present value of cash flows expected to be collected is less than the amortized cost basis, the Association will record additional OTTI and adjust the yield of the security prospectively. The amount of total OTTI for an AFS security that previously was impaired is determined as the difference between its carrying amount prior to the determination of OTTI and its fair value.

## Investment Income

Interest on investment securities, including amortization of premiums and accretion of discounts, is included in Interest Income. Realized gains and losses from the sales of investment securities are recognized in current earnings using the specific identification method.

Dividends from Investments in Other Farm Credit Institutions are generally recorded as patronage income and included in Noninterest Income.

# Other Investments

As discussed in Note 8, certain investments, consisting primarily of mutual funds, are held in trust accounts and are reported at fair value. Holding period gains and losses are included within Noninterest Income on the Consolidated Statements of Income and the balance of these investments, totaling \$689, is included in Other Assets on the accompanying Consolidated Balance Sheets as of December 31, 2018.

The Association holds minority equity interests in a Rural Business Investment Company (RBIC). This investment is carried at cost less any impairment, plus or minus adjustments resulting from any observable price changes.

G. Voluntary Advance Conditional Payments: The Association is authorized under the Farm Credit Act to accept advance payments from borrowers. To the extent the borrower's access to such advance payments is restricted, the advanced conditional payments are netted against the borrower's related loan balance. Amounts in excess of the related loan balance and amounts to which the borrower has unrestricted access are presented as other liabilities in the accompanying Consolidated Balance Sheets. Advanced conditional payments are not insured. Interest is generally paid by the Association on such accounts.

H. Employee Benefit Plans: The Association participates in District and multi-District sponsored benefit plans. These plans may include defined benefit final average pay retirement, defined benefit cash balance retirement, defined benefit other postretirement benefits, and defined contribution plans.

#### **Defined Contribution Plans**

Substantially all employees are eligible to participate in the defined contribution Farm Credit Benefit Alliance (FCBA) 401(k) Plan, subsequently referred to as the 401(k) Plan, which qualifies as a 401(k) plan as defined by the Internal Revenue Code. Employee deferrals are not to exceed the maximum deferral as determined and adjusted by the Internal Revenue Service. Company contributions to the 401(k) Plan are expensed as funded.

Additional information may be found in Note 9.

# Multi-Employer Defined Benefit Plans

Substantially all employees hired before January 1, 2003 may participate in the AgFirst Farm Credit Retirement Plan (Plan), which is a defined benefit plan and considered multi-employer under FASB accounting guidance. The Plan is noncontributory and includes eligible Association and District employees. The "Projected Unit Credit" actuarial method is used for financial reporting purposes.

In addition to pension benefits, the Association provides certain health care and life insurance benefits for retired employees (other postretirement benefits) through a multi-District sponsored retiree healthcare plan. Substantially all employees are eligible for those benefits when they reach early retirement age while working for the Association. Authoritative accounting guidance requires the accrual of the expected cost of providing these benefits to an employee, their beneficiaries and covered dependents during the years the employee renders service necessary to become eligible for benefits.

Since the foregoing plans are multiemployer, the Association does not apply the provisions of FASB guidance on employers' accounting for defined benefit pension and other postretirement plans in its stand-alone financial statements. Rather, the effects of this guidance are reflected in the Annual Information Statement of the Farm Credit System.

Additional information may be found in Note 9 and in the Notes to the Annual Information Statement of the Farm Credit System.

# Single Employer Defined Benefit Plans

The Association also sponsors a single employer defined benefit supplemental retirement plan and offers a FCBA supplemental 401(k) plan for certain key employees. These plans are nonqualified; therefore, the associated liabilities are included in the Association's Consolidated Balance Sheets in Other Liabilities.

The foregoing defined benefit plan is considered single employer, therefore the Association applies the provisions of FASB guidance on employers' accounting for defined benefit pension and other postretirement plans in its standalone financial statements.

Additional information may be found in Note 9.

I. Income Taxes: The Association evaluates tax positions taken in previous and current years according to FASB guidance. A tax position can result in a permanent reduction of income taxes payable, a deferral of income taxes otherwise currently payable to future years, or a change in the expected realizability of deferred tax assets. The term tax position also encompasses, but is not limited to, an entity's status, including its status as a pass-through entity or tax-exempt entity.

The Association is generally subject to Federal and certain other income taxes. As previously described, the ACA holding company has two wholly-owned subsidiaries, a PCA and a FLCA. The FLCA subsidiary is exempt from federal and state income taxes as provided in the Farm Credit Act. The ACA holding company and the PCA subsidiary are subject to federal, state, and certain other income taxes.

The Association is eligible to operate as a cooperative that qualifies for tax treatment under Subchapter T of the Internal Revenue Code. Accordingly, under specified conditions, the Association can exclude from taxable income amounts distributed as qualified patronage refunds in the form of cash, stock, or allocated surplus. Provisions for income taxes are made only on those taxable earnings that will not be distributed as qualified patronage refunds. The Association distributes patronage on the basis of book income.

The Association accounts for income taxes under the asset and liability method, recognizing deferred tax assets and liabilities for the expected future tax consequences of the temporary differences between the carrying amounts and tax bases of assets and liabilities. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured using enacted tax rates expected to apply to taxable income in the years in which those temporary differences are expected to be realized or settled.

The Association records a valuation allowance at the balance sheet dates against that portion of the Association's deferred tax assets that, based on management's best estimates of future events and circumstances, more likely than not (a likelihood of more than 50 percent) will not be realized. The consideration of valuation allowances involves various estimates and assumptions as to future taxable earnings, including the effects of the expected patronage program, which reduces taxable earnings.

- J. Due from AgFirst Farm Credit Bank: The Association records patronage refunds from the Bank and certain District associations on an accrual basis.
- K. Valuation Methodologies: FASB guidance defines fair value 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. This guidance also establishes a fair value hierarchy, which requires an entity to maximize the use of observable inputs

and minimize the use of unobservable inputs when measuring fair value. It prescribes three levels of inputs that may be used to measure fair value.

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

Level 2 inputs to the valuation methodology 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 to the valuation methodology 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 a third-party valuation or internal model pricing.

The Association may use the Bank, internal resources or third parties to obtain fair value prices. Quoted market prices are generally used when estimating fair values of any assets or liabilities for which observable, active markets exist

A number of methodologies may be employed to value items for which an observable active market does not exist. Examples of these items include: impaired loans, other property owned, and certain derivatives, investment securities and other financial instruments. Inputs to these valuations can involve estimates and assumptions that require a substantial degree of judgment. Some of the assumptions used include, among others, discount rates, rates of return on assets, repayment rates, cash flows, default rates, costs of servicing, and liquidation values. The use of different assumptions could produce significantly different asset or liability values, which could have material positive or negative effects on results of operations.

Additional information may be found in Note 8.

L. Off-Balance-Sheet Credit Exposures: The credit risk associated with commitments to extend credit and letters of credit is essentially the same as that involved with extending loans to customers and is subject to normal credit policies. Collateral may be obtained based on management's assessment of the customer's creditworthiness.

Unfunded commitments, and other commitments to extend credit, are agreements to lend to customers, generally having fixed expiration dates or other termination clauses that may require payment of a fee.

Letters of credit are commitments issued to guarantee the performance of a customer to a third party. These letters of credit are issued to facilitate commerce and typically result in the commitment being funded when the underlying transaction is consummated between the customer and third party.

- M. Acquisition Accounting: Mergers are accounted for under the acquisition method of accounting. Purchased assets, including identifiable intangibles, and assumed liabilities are recorded at their respective acquisition date fair values. If the fair value of net assets purchased exceeds the consideration given, a "bargain purchase gain" is recognized. If the consideration given exceeds the fair value of the net assets received, goodwill is recognized. Fair values are subject to refinement for up to one year after the closing date of an acquisition as information relative to closing date fair values becomes available. Purchased loans acquired in a business combination are recorded at estimated fair value on their purchase date with no carryover of the related allowance for loan losses. See Loans and Allowance for Loan Losses section above for accounting policy regarding loans acquired in a business combination.
- N. **Revenue Recognition:** The Association generates income from multiple sources.

#### Financial Instruments

The largest source of revenue for the Association is Interest Income. Interest income is recognized on an accrual basis driven by nondiscretionary formulas based on written contracts, such as loan agreements or securities contracts. Credit-related fees, including letter of credit fees, finance charges and other fees are recognized in Noninterest Income when earned. Other types of noninterest revenues, such as service charges, professional services and broker fees, are accrued and recognized into income as services are provided and the amount of fees earned is reasonably determinable.

## **Contracts with Customers**

In May 2014, the FASB issued ASU 2014-09 Revenue from Contracts with Customers (Topic 606). This guidance, which became effective January 1, 2018, changed the recognition of revenue from contracts with customers. The core principle of the guidance is that an entity should recognize revenue to reflect the transfer of goods and services to customers in an amount equal to the consideration the entity receives or expects to receive. The guidance also included expanded disclosure requirements that result in an entity providing users of financial statements with comprehensive information about the nature, amount, timing, and uncertainty of revenue and cash flows arising from the entity's contracts with customers. Based on input received from stakeholders, the FASB issued several additional Updates that generally provided clarifying guidance where there was the potential for diversity in practice, or address the cost and complexity of applying Topic 606.

The Association maintains contracts with customers to provide support services in various areas such as accounting, lending transactions, consulting, insurance, and information technology. The Association does not generally incur costs to obtain contracts. As most of the contracts are to provide access to expertise or system capacity that the Association maintains, there are no material incremental costs to fulfill these contracts that should be capitalized.

#### Transition Information

- The Association identified ancillary revenues affected by this Update and adopted the guidance on January 1, 2018.
- The amendments were applied using the modified retrospective approach.
- The Association elected to only apply the guidance to contracts that were not completed at the date of initial application.
- Subtopics 610-20 on gains and losses from the derecognition of nonfinancial assets, and 340-40 on other assets and deferred costs-contracts with customers were adopted using the same transition options.
- Adoption did not have an impact on the Association's financial condition or results of operations.

## Gains and Losses from Nonfinancial Assets

Any gains or losses on sales of Premises and Equipment and OPO are included as part of Noninterest Income. These gains and losses are recognized, and the nonfinancial asset is derecognized, when the Association has entered into a valid contract with a noncustomer and transferred control of the asset. If the criteria to meet the definition of a contract have not been met, the Association does not derecognize the nonfinancial asset and any consideration received is recognized as a liability. If the criteria for a contract are subsequently met, or if the consideration received is or becomes nonrefundable, a gain or loss may be recognized at that time.

O. Accounting Standards Updates (ASUs): In August 2018, the FASB issued ASU 2018-15 Intangibles—Goodwill and Other—Internal-Use Software (Subtopic 350-40): Customer's Accounting for Implementation Costs Incurred in a Cloud Computing Arrangement That Is a Service Contract. The amendments align the requirements for capitalizing implementation costs incurred in a hosting arrangement that is a service contract with the requirements for capitalizing implementation costs incurred to develop or obtain internal-use software (and hosting arrangements that include an internal use software license). The accounting for the service element of a hosting arrangement that is a service contract is not affected by the amendments in this Update. The guidance is effective for public business entities for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2019, and interim periods within those fiscal years. Early adoption is permitted, including adoption in any interim period, for all entities. The amendments should be applied either retrospectively or prospectively to all implementation costs incurred after the date of adoption. Adoption of the guidance will have no impact on the statements of financial condition and results of operations.

In August 2018, the FASB issued ASU 2018-13 Disclosure Framework—Changes to the Disclosure Requirements for Fair Value Measurement. The amendments are part of the FASB's disclosure framework project. The project's objective and primary focus are to improve the effectiveness of disclosures in the notes to financial statements by facilitating clear communication of the information required by GAAP that is most important to users of each entity's financial statements. The amendments remove, modify or add certain disclosures contained in the financial statement footnotes related to fair value.

Additionally, the guidance is intended to promote the appropriate exercise of discretion by entities when considering fair value measurement disclosures and to clarify that materiality is an appropriate consideration of entities and their auditors when evaluating disclosure requirements. The amendments are effective for all entities for fiscal years, and interim periods within those fiscal years, beginning after December 15, 2019. Certain amendments should be applied prospectively for only the most recent interim or annual period presented in the initial fiscal year of adoption. All other amendments should be applied retrospectively to all periods presented upon their effective date. Entities may early adopt the provisions in whole upon issuance or may early adopt any removed or modified disclosures upon issuance and delay adoption of the additional disclosures until their effective date. The Association has adopted the removed disclosures effective with the 2018 Annual Report.

In July 2018, the FASB issued ASU 2018-09 Codification Improvements. The amendments affect a wide variety of Topics in the Codification. They apply to all reporting entities within the scope of the affected accounting guidance. The Board has an ongoing project on its agenda about improvements to clarify the Codification or to correct unintended application of guidance. Those items generally are not expected to have a significant effect on current accounting practice. The transition and effective date guidance is based on the facts and circumstances of each amendment.

In February 2018, the FASB issued ASU 2018-02 Income Statement—Reporting Comprehensive Income (Topic 220): Reclassification of Certain Tax Effects from Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income. The guidance allows a reclassification from accumulated other comprehensive income to retained earnings for stranded tax effects resulting from the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act. The amendments eliminate the stranded tax effects resulting from the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act and are intended to improve the usefulness of information reported to financial statement users. However, because the amendments only relate to the reclassification of the income tax effects of the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act, the underlying guidance that requires that the effect of a change in tax laws or rates be included in income from continuing operations is not affected. The Update also requires certain disclosures about stranded tax effects. The guidance is effective for all entities for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2018, and interim periods within those fiscal years. The Association is in the process of evaluating what effects the guidance may have on the statements of financial condition and results of operations.

In March 2017, the FASB issued ASU 2017-08
Receivables—Nonrefundable Fees and Other Costs
(Subtopic 310-20): Premium Amortization on Purchased
Callable Debt Securities. The guidance relates to certain
callable debt securities and shortens the amortization period
for any premium to the earliest call date. The Update will
be effective for interim and annual periods beginning after
December 15, 2018 for public business entities. The
Association is in the process of evaluating what effects the
guidance may have on the statements of financial condition
and results of operations.

In March 2017, the FASB issued ASU 2017-07 Compensation—Retirement Benefits (Topic 715): Improving the Presentation of Net Periodic Pension Cost and Net Periodic Postretirement Benefit Cost related to the income statement presentation of the components of net periodic benefit cost for an entity's sponsored defined benefit pension and other postretirement plans. The amendments were effective January 1, 2018 for the Association. Adoption in 2018 did not have a material effect on the Association's financial statements, but did require reclassification of certain periodic pension costs to Other Operating Expenses.

In January 2017, the FASB issued ASU 2017-01 Business Combinations (Topic 805): Clarifying the Definition of a Business. The amendments provide a more robust framework to use in determining when a set of assets and activities is a business. They also support more consistency in applying the guidance, reduce the costs of application, and make the definition of a business more operable. The ASU was effective January 1, 2018 for the Association. The amendments were applied prospectively. Adoption of the guidance in 2018 had no impact on the statements of financial condition and results of operations of the Association.

In June 2016, the FASB issued ASU 2016-13 Financial Instruments—Credit Losses (Topic 326): Measurement of Credit Losses on Financial Instruments. This Update, and subsequent clarifying guidance issued, is intended to improve financial reporting by requiring timelier recording of credit losses on financial instruments. It requires an organization to measure all expected credit losses for financial assets held at the reporting date. Financial institutions and other organizations will use forwardlooking information to better estimate their credit losses. Additionally, the ASU amends the accounting for credit losses on available-for-sale debt securities and purchased financial assets with credit deterioration. For public companies that are not SEC filers, it will take effect for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2020, and interim periods within those fiscal years. Early application will be permitted for all organizations for fiscal years, and interim periods within those fiscal years, beginning after December 15, 2018. The Association is in the process of evaluating what effects the guidance may have on the statements of financial condition and results of operations.

In February 2016, the FASB issued ASU 2016-02 Leases (Topic 842). This Update, and subsequent clarifying guidance issued, requires organizations that lease assets to recognize on the balance sheet the assets and liabilities for the rights and obligations created by those leases. Leases will be classified as either finance leases or operating leases. This distinction will be relevant for the pattern of expense recognition in the income statement. The amendments will be effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2018, including interim periods within those fiscal years for public business entities. The Association will implement the guidance in first quarter 2019 using the practical expedients and does not expect a material impact to the financial statements.

In January 2016, the FASB issued ASU 2016-01 Financial Instruments—Overall (Subtopic 825-10): Recognition and Measurement of Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities.

The Update, and subsequent clarifying guidance issued, was intended to improve the recognition and measurement of financial instruments. The new guidance makes targeted improvements to existing GAAP.

## **Transition Information**

- The Association identified investment securities affected by this Update and adopted the guidance on January 1, 2018.
- The amendments related to equity securities without readily determinable fair values were applied prospectively to equity investments that existed as of the date of adoption.
- Application of the amendments did not require a cumulative effect adjustment.
- Adoption did not have an impact on the Association's financial condition or results of operations.
- The new standard did result in changes to certain disclosures.

#### Note 3 — Loans and Allowance for Loan Losses

For a description of the Association's accounting for loans, including impaired loans, and the allowance for loan losses, see Note 2 subsection B above.

Credit risk arises from the potential inability of an obligor to meet its repayment obligation which exists in outstanding loans. The Association manages credit risk associated with lending activities through an assessment of the credit risk profile of an individual obligor. The Association sets its own underwriting standards and lending policies that provide direction to loan officers and are approved by the board of directors.

The credit risk management process begins with an analysis of the obligor's credit history, repayment capacity and financial position. Repayment capacity focuses on the obligor's ability to repay the obligation based on cash flows from operations or other sources of income, including non-farm income. Real estate mortgage loans must be secured by first liens on the real estate collateral. As required by FCA regulations, each institution that makes loans on a secured basis must have collateral evaluation policies and procedures.

The credit risk rating process for loans uses a two-dimensional structure, incorporating a 14-point probability of default scale (see further discussion in Note 2 subsection B above) and a separate scale addressing estimated percentage loss in the event of default. The loan rating structure incorporates borrower risk and transaction risk. Borrower risk is the risk of loss driven by factors intrinsic to the borrower. The transaction risk or facility risk is related to the structure of a credit (tenor, terms, and collateral).

The Association's loan portfolio, which includes purchased interests in loans, has been segmented by the following loan types as defined by the FCA:

 Real estate mortgage loans — loans made to full-time or part-time farmers secured by first lien real estate mortgages with maturities from five to thirty years. These loans may be made only in amounts up to 85 percent of the appraised

- value of the property taken as security or up to 97 percent of the appraised value if guaranteed by a federal, state, or other governmental agency. The actual percentage of loan-to-appraised value when loans are made is generally lower than the statutory required percentage.
- Production and intermediate-term loans loans to full-time or part-time farmers that are not real estate mortgage loans. These loans fund eligible financing needs including operating inputs (such as labor, feed, fertilizer, and repairs), livestock, living expenses, income taxes, machinery or equipment, farm buildings, and other business-related expenses. Production loans may be made on a secured or unsecured basis and are most often made for a period of time that matches the borrower's normal production and marketing cycle, which is typically one year or less. Intermediate-term loans are made for a specific term, generally greater than one year and less than or equal to ten years.
- Loans to cooperatives loans for any cooperative purpose other than for communication, power, and water and waste disposal.
- Processing and marketing loans loans for operations to process or market the products produced by a farmer, rancher, or producer or harvester of aquatic products, or by a cooperative.
- Farm-related business loans loans to eligible borrowers that furnish certain farm-related business services to farmers or ranchers that are directly related to their agricultural production.
- Rural residential real estate loans loans made to individuals, who are not farmers, to purchase a single-

- family dwelling that will be the primary residence in open country, which may include a town or village that has a population of not more than 2,500 persons. In addition, the loan may be to remodel, improve, or repair a rural home, or to refinance existing debt. These loans are generally secured by a first lien on the property.
- Communication loans loans primarily to finance rural communication providers.
- Power loans loans primarily to finance electric generation, transmission and distribution systems serving rural areas.
- Water and waste disposal loans loans primarily to finance water and waste disposal systems serving rural areas.
- International loans primarily loans or credit enhancements to other banks to support the export of U.S. agricultural commodities or supplies. The federal government guarantees a substantial portion of these loans.
- Lease receivables the net investment for all finance leases such as direct financing leases, leveraged leases, and sales-type leases.
- Other (including Mission Related) additional investments in rural America approved by the FCA on a program or a case-by-case basis. Examples of such investments include partnerships with agricultural and rural community lenders, investments in rural economic development and infrastructure, and investments in obligations and mortgage securities that increase the availability of affordable housing in rural America.

A summary of loans outstanding at period end follows:

		D	ecember 31,	
	2018		2017	2016
Real estate mortgage	\$ 691,955	\$	666,425	\$ 595,253
Production and intermediate-term	226,221		227,567	231,159
Loans to cooperatives	26,939		28,912	32,777
Processing and marketing	89,453		86,255	88,202
Farm-related business	42,967		45,421	30,015
Communication	43,056		33,726	33,287
Power and water/waste disposal	17,731		17,029	3,685
Rural residential real estate	9,398		9,090	8,446
International	9,982		9,972	9,980
Other (including Mission Related)	6,218		6,607	-
Total loans	\$ 1,163,920	\$	1,131,004	\$ 1,032,804

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

The amount of collateral obtained, if deemed necessary upon extension of credit, is based on management's credit evaluation of the borrower. Collateral held varies, but typically includes farmland and income-producing property, such as crops and livestock, as well as receivables. Long-term real estate loans are collateralized by the first liens on the underlying real property. Federal regulations state that long-term real estate loans are not to exceed 85 percent (97 percent if guaranteed by a government agency) of the property's appraised value. However, a decline in a property's market value subsequent to loan origination or advances, or other actions necessary to protect the financial interest of the Association in the collateral, may result in loan to value ratios in excess of the regulatory maximum.

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

							December	31, 2	018					
	Within AgF	irst l	District	V	Vithin Farm	Cre	dit System	0	utside Farm	Cre	dit System	To	tal	
	articipations Purchased	Par	rticipations Sold		rticipations Purchased	Pa	rticipations Sold		rticipations Purchased	Pa	rticipations Sold	articipations Purchased	Pa	rticipations Sold
Real estate mortgage	\$ 18,591	\$	112,684	\$	_	\$	24,006	\$	_	\$	_	\$ 18,591	\$	136,690
Production and intermediate-term	48,129		9,284		1,352		1,289		1,729		_	51,210		10,573
Loans to cooperatives	22,635		_		4,356		_		_		_	26,991		_
Processing and marketing	73,474		33,747		9,740		88,142		_		_	83,214		121,889
Farm-related business	766		22,395		3,714		3,057		850		_	5,330		25,452
Communication	43,138		_		_		_		_		_	43,138		_
Power and water/waste disposal	17,793		_		_		_		_		_	17,793		_
International	10,000		_		_		_		_		_	10,000		_
Other (including Mission Related)	_		2,320		_		_		3,720		_	3,720		2,320
Total	\$ 234,526	\$	180,430	\$	19,162	\$	116,494	\$	6,299	\$	_	\$ 259,987	\$	296,924

							December	31, 2	017					
	Within Agl	First	District	V	Vithin Farm	Crec	dit System	0	utside Farm	ı Cr	edit System	To	tal	
	rticipations Purchased	Pa	rticipations Sold		rticipations Purchased	Pa	rticipations Sold		rticipations urchased	P	articipations Sold	articipations Purchased	Pa	rticipations Sold
Real estate mortgage	\$ 13,442	\$	97,757	\$	_	\$	23,217	\$	_	\$	-	\$ 13,442	\$	120,974
Production and intermediate-term	57,369		9,922		4,938		_		14		_	62,321		9,922
Loans to cooperatives	28,961		_		_		_		_		_	28,961		_
Processing and marketing	75,768		21,781		5,429		72,863		_		_	81,197		94,644
Farm-related business	2,521		19,586		3,346		2,019		23		_	5,890		21,605
Communication	33,849		_		_		_		_		_	33,849		_
Power and water/waste disposal	17,082		_		_		_		_		_	17,082		_
International	10,000		_		_		_		_		_	10,000		_
Other (including Mission Related)	_		2,807		_		_		4,023		_	4,023		2,807
Total	\$ 238,992	\$	151,853	\$	13,713	\$	98,099	\$	4,060	\$	-	\$ 256,765	\$	249,952

							December	31, 2	2016					
	Within AgI	irst	District	V	Vithin Farm	Cre	edit System	0	utside Farm	Cre	dit System	To	tal	
	articipations Purchased	Pa	rticipations Sold		rticipations Purchased	Pa	articipations Sold		rticipations Purchased	Pa	rticipations Sold	articipations Purchased	Pa	rticipations Sold
Real estate mortgage	\$ 17,290	\$	116,443	\$	-	\$	18,136	\$	4,253	\$	-	\$ 21,543	\$	134,579
Production and intermediate-term	56,331		21,452		6,279		_		272		_	62,882		21,452
Loans to cooperatives	32,834		_		_		_		-			32,834		_
Processing and marketing	74,404		4,243		7,315		52,000		-			81,719		56,243
Farm-related business	2,353		11,188		3,129		2,700		295		_	5,777		13,888
Communication	33,397		_		_		_		_		_	33,397		_
Power and water/waste disposal	3,701		_		_		_		_		_	3,701		_
International	10,000		_		_		_		_		_	10,000		_
Total	\$ 230,310	\$	153,326	\$	16,723	\$	72,836	\$	4,820	\$	_	\$ 251,853	\$	226,162

A significant source of liquidity for the Association is the repayments of loans. The following table presents the contractual maturity distribution of loans by loan type at the latest period end:

		December	r 31,	2018	
	Due less than 1 year	Due 1 Through 5 years		Due after 5 years	Total
Real estate mortgage	\$ 24,338	\$ 142,029	\$	525,588	\$ 691,955
Production and intermediate-term	69,001	132,434		24,786	226,221
Loans to cooperatives	_	18,696		8,243	26,939
Processing and marketing	4,385	46,836		38,232	89,453
Farm-related business	12,063	11,245		19,659	42,967
Communication	-	22,637		20,419	43,056
Power and water/waste disposal	-	5,051		12,680	17,731
Rural residential real estate	290	601		8,507	9,398
International	9,982	_		_	9,982
Other (including Mission Related)	-	3,373		2,845	6,218
Total loans	\$ 120,059	\$ 382,902	\$	660,959	\$ 1,163,920
Percentage	10.31%	32.90%		56.79%	100.00%

The recorded investment in a receivable is the face amount increased or decreased by applicable accrued interest and unamortized premium, discount, finance charges, or acquisition costs and may also reflect a previous direct write-down of the investment.

The following table shows loans and related accrued interest classified under the FCA Uniform Loan Classification System as a percentage of total loans and related accrued interest receivable by loan type as of:

		December 31,			1	December 31,	
·	2018	2017	2016	•	2018	2017	2016
Real estate mortgage: Acceptable OAEM Substandard/doubtful/loss	93.07% 4.58 2.35 100.00%	93.74% 4.46 1.80 100.00%	94.78% 3.28 1.94 100.00%	Communication Acceptable OAEM Substandard/doubtful/loss	91.23% 8.77 - 100.00%	100.00% - - - 100.00%	100.00%
Production and intermediate-term: Acceptable OAEM Substandard/doubtful/loss	88.93% 8.20 2.87 100.00%	89.43% 8.81 1.76 100.00%	92.63% 4.83 2.54 100.00%	Power and water/waste disposal Acceptable OAEM Substandard/doubtful/loss	100.00% - - 100.00%	100.00% - - 100.00%	100.00%
Loans to cooperatives: Acceptable OAEM Substandard/doubtful/loss	100.00% - - - 100.00%	100.00% - - - 100.00%	100.00% - - 100.00%	Rural residential real estate: Acceptable OAEM Substandard/doubtful/loss	97.05% 0.11 2.84 100.00%	97.01% 0.19 2.80 100.00%	96.32% 0.31 3.37 100.00%
Processing and marketing: Acceptable OAEM Substandard/doubtful/loss	99.34% 0.66 - 100.00%	100.00% - - 100.00%	94.22% 5.78 - 100.00%	International: Acceptable OAEM Substandard/doubtful/loss	100.00% - - - 100.00%	100.00% - - 100.00%	100.00%
Farm-related business: Acceptable OAEM Substandard/doubtful/loss	87.72% 11.71 0.57 100.00%	99.31% 0.15 0.54 100.00%	98.53% 0.65 0.82 100.00%	Other (including Mission Related): Acceptable OAEM Substandard/doubtful/loss	100.00% - - - 100.00%	100.00% - - - 100.00%	-% - - -%
				Total loans: Acceptable OAEM Substandard/doubtful/loss	92.87% 5.13 2.00 100.00%	94.13% 4.41 1.46 100.00%	94.78% 3.48 1.74 100.00%

The following tables provide an aging analysis of past due loans and related accrued interest as of:

			Ι	<b>)</b> ecen	nber 31, 2018				
	Through Days Past Due	90	Days or More Past Due	7	Γotal Past Due	Le	Past Due or ss Than 30 ys Past Due	To	etal Loans
Real estate mortgage	\$ 4,894	\$	2,077	\$	6,971	\$	689,457	\$	696,428
Production and intermediate-term	600		5,083		5,683		221,755		227,438
Loans to cooperatives	_		_		_		26,962		26,962
Processing and marketing	_		_		_		89,712		89,712
Farm-related business	54		_		54		43,122		43,176
Communication	_		_		_		43,062		43,062
Power and water/waste disposal	_		_		_		17,771		17,771
Rural residential real estate	127		38		165		9,261		9,426
International	_		_		_		10,041		10,041
Other (including Mission Related)	_		_		_		6,290		6,290
Total	\$ 5,675	\$	7,198	\$	12,873	\$	1,157,433	\$	1,170,306

			Ι	ecen	nber 31, 2017				
	Through Days Past Due	90	Days or More Past Due	7	Γotal Past Due	Le	Past Due or ss Than 30 ys Past Due	To	otal Loans
Real estate mortgage	\$ 2,116	\$	513	\$	2,629	\$	667,544	\$	670,173
Production and intermediate-term	2,371		3,598		5,969		222,590		228,559
Loans to cooperatives	_		_		_		28,957		28,957
Processing and marketing	_		_		_		86,460		86,460
Farm-related business	_		_		_		45,594		45,594
Communication	_		_		_		33,758		33,758
Power and water/waste disposal	_		_		_		17,039		17,039
Rural residential real estate	154		24		178		8,943		9,121
International	_		_		_		10,014		10,014
Other (including Mission Related)	_		_		_		6,681		6,681
Total	\$ 4,641	\$	4,135	\$	8,776	\$	1,127,580	\$	1,136,356

			Ε	<b>)</b> ecen	nber 31, 2016				
	Through Days Past Due	90	Days or More Past Due	7	Гotal Past Due	L	t Past Due or ess Than 30 ays Past Due	To	otal Loans
Real estate mortgage	\$ 2,817	\$	832	\$	3,649	\$	594,514	\$	598,163
Production and intermediate-term	622		476		1,098		230,896		231,994
Loans to cooperatives	_		_		_		32,822		32,822
Processing and marketing	_		_		_		88,327		88,327
Farm-related business	195		_		195		29,911		30,106
Communication	_		_		-		33,294		33,294
Power and water/waste disposal	_		_		_		3,689		3,689
Rural residential real estate	150		58		208		8,261		8,469
International	_		_		-		10,129		10,129
Total	\$ 3,784	\$	1,366	\$	5,150	\$	1,031,843	\$	1,036,993

Nonperforming assets (including related accrued interest) and related credit quality statistics were as follows:

		Dec	ember 31,	
	2018		2017	2016
Nonaccrual loans:				
Real estate mortgage	\$ 5,847	\$	5,481	\$ 6,146
Production and intermediate-term	5,339		5,517	6,772
Farm-related business	247		247	248
Rural residential real estate	 197		178	229
Total	\$ 11,630	\$	11,423	\$ 13,395
Accruing restructured loans:				
Real estate mortgage	\$ 1,092	\$	773	\$ 809
Production and intermediate-term	 199		256	310
Total	\$ 1,291	\$	1,029	\$ 1,119
Accruing loans 90 days or more past due: Total	\$ -	\$	_	\$ _
Total nonperforming loans	\$ 12,921	\$	12,452	\$ 14,514
Other property owned	73		95	366
Total nonperforming assets	\$ 12,994	\$	12,547	\$ 14,880
Nonaccrual loans as a percentage of total loans Nonperforming assets as a percentage of total	1.00%		1.01%	1.30%
loans and other property owned	1.12%		1.11%	1.44%
Nonperforming assets as a percentage of capital	4.90%		4.97%	6.27%

The following table presents information relating to impaired loans (including accrued interest) as defined in Note 2:

		De	cember 31,	
	2018		2017	2016
Impaired nonaccrual loans:				
Current as to principal and interest	\$ 3,857	\$	4,698	\$ 10,180
Past due	7,773		6,725	3,215
Total	\$ 11,630	\$	11,423	\$ 13,395
Impaired accrual loans:				
Restructured	\$ 1,291	\$	1,029	\$ 1,119
90 days or more past due	_		_	_
Total	\$ 1,291	\$	1,029	\$ 1,119
Total impaired loans	\$ 12,921	\$	12,452	\$ 14,514
Additional commitments to lend	\$ 6	\$	-	\$ 15

The following tables present additional impaired loan information at period end. Unpaid principal balance represents the contractual principal balance of the loan.

		]	Decen	ıber 31, 201	8		Yea	ar Ended De	December 31, 2018		
Impaired loans:		ecorded vestment	P	Unpaid rincipal Balance		Related lowance	In	verage ipaired Loans	Interest Income Recognized on Impaired Loans		
With a related allowance for cred	lit losse	s:									
Real estate mortgage	\$	_	\$	_	\$	-	\$	_	\$	_	
Production and intermediate-term		4,750		7,289		1,929		4,441		860	
Farm-related business		_		_		-		_		_	
Rural residential real estate		_				_				_	
Total	\$	4,750	\$	7,289	\$	1,929	\$	4,441	\$	860	
With no related allowance for cre	dit loss	es:									
Real estate mortgage	\$	6,939	\$	12,382	\$	-	\$	6,488	\$	1,256	
Production and intermediate-term		788		4,692		_		737		143	
Farm-related business		247		295		_		231		45	
Rural residential real estate		197		507		_		184		36	
Total	\$	8,171	\$	17,876	\$		\$	7,640	\$	1,480	
Total impaired loans:											
Real estate mortgage	\$	6,939	\$	12,382	\$	-	\$	6,488	\$	1,256	
Production and intermediate-term		5,538		11,981		1,929		5,178		1,003	
Farm-related business		247		295		_		231		45	
Rural residential real estate		197		507		_		184		36	
Total	\$	12,921	\$	25,165	\$	1,929	\$	12,081	\$	2,340	

		1	Decem	ıber 31, 201	7		Year Ended December 31, 2017					
Impaired loans:		corded estment	Unpaid Principal Balance		Related Allowance		In	verage paired Loans	Interest Income Recognized on Impaired Loans			
With a related allowance for cred	lit losses	:										
Real estate mortgage	\$	236	\$	334	\$	187	\$	252	\$	33		
Production and intermediate-term		1,800		3,000		200		1,923		251		
Farm-related business		-		_		-		_		_		
Rural residential real estate		_				-		_		_		
Total	\$	2,036	\$	3,334	\$	387	\$	2,175	\$	284		
With no related allowance for cre	dit loss	es:										
Real estate mortgage	\$	6,018	\$	11,957	\$	-	\$	6,430	\$	840		
Production and intermediate-term		3,973		11,028		_		4,245		554		
Farm-related business		247		304		_		264		34		
Rural residential real estate		178		404		-		190		25		
Total	\$	10,416	\$	23,693	\$		\$	11,129	\$	1,453		
Total impaired loans:												
Real estate mortgage	\$	6,254	\$	12,291	\$	187	\$	6,682	\$	873		
Production and intermediate-term		5,773		14,028		200		6,168		805		
Farm-related business		247		304		_		264		34		
Rural residential real estate		178		404		-		190		25		
Total	\$	12,452	\$	27,027	\$	387	\$	13,304	\$	1,737		

		1	Decen	nber 31, 201	6		Year Ended December 31, 2016					
Impaired loans:		ecorded estment	Unpaid Principal Balance			Related lowance	Average Impaired Loans		Interest Income Recognized on Impaired Loans			
With a related allowance for cred	lit losse	s:										
Real estate mortgage	\$	116	\$	195	\$	117	\$	118	\$	29		
Production and intermediate-term		104		107		18		106		27		
Farm-related business		_		_		-		_		=		
Rural residential real estate		_		_		-		_				
Total	\$	220	\$	302	\$	135	\$	224	\$	56		
With no related allowance for cre	edit loss	ses:										
Real estate mortgage	\$	6,839	\$	17,228	\$	-	\$	6,970	\$	1,744		
Production and intermediate-term		6,978		14,415		-		7,111		1,779		
Farm-related business		248		316		-		253		63		
Rural residential real estate		229		462		-		233		58		
Total	\$	14,294	\$	32,421	\$	-	\$	14,567	\$	3,644		
Total impaired loans:												
Real estate mortgage	\$	6,955	\$	17,423	\$	117	\$	7,088	\$	1,773		
Production and intermediate-term		7,082		14,522		18		7,217		1,806		
Farm-related business		248		316		-		253		63		
Rural residential real estate		229		462		_		233		58		
Total	\$	14,514	\$	32,723	\$	135	\$	14,791	\$	3,700		

A summary of changes in the allowance for loan losses and period end recorded investment in loans is as follows:

	eal Estate Iortgage	e -term Agribusiness*		Co	mmunication	W	Power and Vater/Waste Disposal		Rural lesidential leal Estate	Inte	ernational	(in N	Other cluding Iission elated)	Total		
Activity related to the allowance	 			-											,	
Balance at December 31, 2017 Charge-offs Recoveries Provision of loan losses	\$ 4,258 (44) 256 (499)	\$	2,400 (2,630) 1,504 2,806	\$	831 - - 19	\$	129 - - 26	\$	44 - - 2	\$	102 - 5 (30)	\$	9 - - (3)	\$	1 - -	\$ 7,774 (2,674) 1,765 2,321
Balance at December 31, 2018	\$ 3,971	\$	4,080	\$	850	\$	155	\$	46	\$	77	\$	6	\$	1	\$ 9,186
Balance at December 31, 2016 Charge-offs Recoveries Provision of loan losses Balance at December 31, 2017	\$ 3,774 - 2,517 (2,033) 4,258	\$	1,884 (1,431) 99 1,848 2,400	\$	659 - 1 171 831	\$	121 - - 8 129	\$	33 - - 11 44	\$	81 - - 21 102	\$	8 - - 1 9	\$	- - 1 1	\$ 6,560 (1,431) 2,617 28 7,774
Balance at December 31, 2015 Charge-offs Recoveries Provision for loan losses Balance at December 31, 2016	\$ 4,012 (11) 1,560 (1,787) 3,774	\$	1,561 (48) 55 316 1,884	\$	324 - - 335 659	\$	109 - - 12 121	\$	14 - - 19 33	\$	76 (4) 12 (3) 81	\$	1 - - 7 8	\$	- - - -	\$ 6,097 (63) 1,627 (1,101) 6,560
Allowance on loans evaluated for Individually Collectively PCI**	\$ 3,971 -	\$	1,929 2,151	\$	850 —	\$	- 155 -	\$	- 46 -	\$	– 77 –	\$	- 6 -	\$	- 1 -	\$ 1,929 7,257
Balance at December 31, 2018	\$ 3,971	\$	4,080	\$	850	\$	155	\$	46	\$	77	\$	6	\$	1	\$ 9,186
Individually Collectively PCI**	\$ 187 4,071 —	\$	200 2,200 –	\$	831 –	\$	129 -	\$	- 44 -	\$	102 -	\$	9 -	\$	- 1 -	\$ 387 7,387
Balance at December 31, 2017	\$ 4,258	\$	2,400	\$	831	\$	129	\$	44	\$	102	\$	9	\$	1	\$ 7,774
Individually Collectively PCI**	\$ 117 3,657	\$	18 1,866 -	\$	659 -	\$	121 -	\$	33	\$	81 —	\$	- 8 -	\$	_ _ _	\$ 135 6,425
Balance at December 31, 2016	\$ 3,774	\$	1,884	\$	659	\$	121	\$	33	\$	81	\$	8	\$	_	\$ 6,560
Recorded investment in loans ed Individually Collectively PCI**	\$ 6,496 687,889 2,043	\$	5,544 221,900 (6)	\$	247 159,603	\$	43,062	\$	- 17,771 -	\$	197 9,229 –	\$	10,041 -	\$	- 6,290 -	\$ 12,484 1,155,785 2,037
Balance at December 31, 2018	\$ 696,428	\$	227,438	\$	159,850	\$	43,062	\$	17,771	\$	9,426	\$	10,041	\$	6,290	\$ 1,170,306
Individually Collectively PCI** Balance at December 31, 2017	\$ 5,724 662,243 2,206 670,173	\$	6,108 222,787 (336) 228,559	\$ 	247 160,764 ————————————————————————————————————	\$	33,758 - 33,758	\$	17,039 - 17,039	\$ \$	178 8,943 — 9,121	\$	10,014 - 10.014	\$	6,681 -	\$ 12,257 1,122,229 1,870 1,136,356
Individually Collectively PCI**	\$ 5,591 590,513 2,059	\$	7,339 224,913 (258)	\$	248 151,007	\$	33,/38 - 33,294 -	\$	3,689	\$	229 8,240	\$	10,014	\$	0,081 - - -	\$ 13,407 1,021,785 1,801
Balance at December 31, 2016	\$ 598,163	\$	231,994	\$	151,255	\$	33,294	\$	3,689	\$	8,469	\$	10,129	\$	-	\$ 1,036,993

<sup>\*</sup> Includes the loan types; Loans to cooperatives, Processing and marketing, and Farm-related business.

To mitigate risk of loan losses, the Association may enter into guarantee arrangements with certain GSEs, including the Federal Agricultural Mortgage Corporation (Farmer Mac), and state or federal agencies. These guarantees generally remain in place until the loans are paid in full or expire and give the Association the right to be reimbursed for losses incurred or to sell designated loans to the guarantor in the event of default (typically four months past due), subject to certain conditions. The guaranteed balance of designated loans under these agreements was \$31,709, \$31,191, and \$32,209 at December 31, 2018, 2017, and 2016, respectively. Fees paid for such guarantee commitments totaled \$2, \$4, and \$8 for 2018, 2017, and 2016, respectively. These amounts are classified as noninterest expense.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Purchased credit impaired (PCI) loans.

A restructuring of a debt constitutes a troubled debt restructuring (TDR) if the creditor for economic or legal reasons related to the debtor's financial difficulties grants a concession to the debtor that it would not otherwise consider. The following tables present additional information about pre-modification and post-modification outstanding recorded investment and the effects of the modifications that occurred during the periods presented. The tables do not include purchased credit impaired loans.

		2018							
Outstanding Recorded Investment	terest cessions	Principal Concessions		Other Concessions		Total		Charge-off	
Pre-modification: Real estate mortgage Production and intermediate-term	\$ 172	\$	425	\$	- 3	\$	597 3		
Total	\$ 172	\$	425	\$	3	\$	600		
Post-modification: Real estate mortgage Production and intermediate-term	\$ 173	\$	432	\$	- 4	\$	605 4	\$	_ _
Total	\$ 173	\$	432	\$	4	\$	609	\$	-

		Year Ended December 31, 2017												
Outstanding Recorded Investment	Interest Concessions		Principal Concessions		Other Concessions		Total		Charge-off					
Pre-modification:														
Real estate mortgage	\$	-	\$	169	\$	-	\$	169						
Production and intermediate-term		-		67		-		67						
Total	\$	_	\$	236	\$	_	\$	236						
Post-modification:														
Real estate mortgage	\$	-	\$	181	\$	-	\$	181	\$	-				
Production and intermediate-term		_		68		-		68		_				
Total	\$	_	\$	249	\$	-	\$	249	\$	_				

	Year Ended December 31, 2016													
Interest Concessions		Principal Concessions		Other Concessions		Total		Charge-of						
	-0						20.5							
\$	78	\$		\$	_	\$								
	_		3,436		_		3,436							
\$	78	\$	3,753	\$	-	\$	3,831							
\$	79	\$	327	\$	_	\$	406	\$	_					
	-		3,436		-		3,436		-					
\$	79	\$	3,763	\$	-	\$	3,842	\$	_					
	Conc	\$ 78	Concessions   Concessions	Interest Concessions	Interest Concessions	Interest Concessions	Interest Concessions	Concessions         Concessions         Total           \$ 78         \$ 317         \$ -         \$ 395           -         3,436         -         3,436           \$ 78         \$ 3,753         \$ -         \$ 3,831           \$ 79         \$ 327         \$ -         \$ 406           -         3,436         -         3,436	Interest Concessions					

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.

The following table presents outstanding recorded investment for TDRs that occurred during the previous twelve months and for which there was a subsequent payment default during the period. Payment default is defined as a payment that was thirty days or more past due.

	 Year Ended December 31,										
Defaulted troubled debt restructurings	2018		2017		2016						
Production and intermediate-term	\$ -	\$	67	\$							
Total	\$ _	\$	67	\$	_						

The following table provides information at each period end on outstanding loans restructured in troubled debt restructurings. These loans are included as impaired loans in the impaired loan table.

		To	tal TDRs		Nonaccrual TDRs							
		ember 31,				Dec	ember 31,					
	2018		2017	2016		2018		2017		2016		
Real estate mortgage	\$ 3,056	\$	3,421	\$ 3,938	\$	1,964	\$	2,648	\$	3,129		
Production and intermediate-term	72		3,370	3,850		(127)		3,114		3,540		
Farm-related business	247		247	248		247		247		248		
Total loans	\$ 3,375	\$	7,038	\$ 8,036	\$	2,084	\$	6,009	\$	6,917		
Additional commitments to lend	\$ -	\$	=	\$ -								

The following table presents information as of period end:

	Dec	ember 31, 2018
Carrying amount of foreclosed residential real estate properties held as a result of obtaining physical possession	\$	32
Recorded investment of consumer mortgage loans secured by		
residential real estate for which formal foreclosure		
proceedings are in process	\$	243

# Purchased Credit Impaired (PCI) Loans

The Association acquires loans individually and in groups or portfolios. For certain acquired loans that experienced deterioration in credit quality between origination and acquisition, the amount paid for the loan will reflect this fact. At acquisition, each loan is reviewed to determine whether there is evidence of deterioration of credit quality since origination and if it is probable that the Association would be unable to collect all amounts due according to the loan's contractual terms. If both conditions exist, the purchaser determines whether each such loan is to be accounted for individually or whether such loans would be assembled into pools of loans based on common risk characteristics (credit score, loan type, and date of origination, for example). Considerations of value should include expected prepayments, the estimated amount and timing of undiscounted expected principal, interest, and other cash flows (expected at acquisition) for each loan and the subsequently aggregated pool of loans. Any excess of the loan's or pool's scheduled contractual principal and contractual interest payments over all of the cash flows expected at acquisition is an amount that should not be accreted to income (nonaccretable difference). The remaining amount, representing the excess of the loan's cash flows expected to be collected over the amount paid, is accreted into interest income over the remaining life of the loan or pool (accretable yield).

Accounting guidance requires that the purchaser continue to estimate cash flows expected to be collected over the life of the loan or pool. It then evaluates at the balance sheet date whether the present value of its loans, determined using the effective interest rate, has decreased and if so, recognizes a loss. For loans or pools that are not accounted for as debt securities, the present value of any subsequent increase in the loan's or pool's actual cash flows or cash flows expected to be collected is used first to reverse any existing valuation allowance for that loan or pool. For any remaining increases in cash flows expected to be collected, or for loans or pools accounted for as debt securities, a purchaser adjusts the amount of accretable yield recognized on a prospective basis over the loan's or pool's remaining life.

Valuation allowances for all PCI loans reflect only those losses incurred after acquisition, that is, the present value of cash flows expected at acquisition that are not expected to be collected. Valuation allowances are established only subsequent to acquisition of the loans.

The carrying amounts of such loans acquired in a 2011 business combination included in the balance sheet amounts of loans receivable at period end were as follows:

Real estate mortgage Production and intermediate-term Total Loans

December 31, 2018
\$ 2,043
(6)
\$ 2,037

There was no allowance for loan losses related to these loans at December 31, 2018, 2017 or 2016. During the years ended December 31, 2018, 2017, and 2016 provision for loan losses on these loans was an expense reversal of \$1,537, an expense reversal of \$272, and an expense reversal of \$477, respectively. See above for a summary of changes in the total allowance for loan losses. There were no loans acquired during the years ended December 31, 2018, 2017 or 2016 for which it was probable at acquisition that all contractually required payments would not be collected.

Certain of the loans acquired by the Association in the 2011 business combination that were within the scope of PCI loan guidance are accounted for using a cash basis method of income recognition because the Association cannot reasonably estimate cash flows expected to be collected. Substantially all of the loans acquired were real estate collateral dependent loans. The real estate market in Florida was extremely unstable, making the estimation of the amount and timing of a sale of loan collateral in essentially the same condition as received upon foreclosure indeterminate. As such, the Association did not have the information necessary to reasonably estimate cash flows expected to be collected to compute a yield. Management determined a nonaccrual classification would be the most appropriate and that no income would be recognized on these loans as is allowed under accounting guidance. These amounts are included in the carrying values, net of allowance, described above.

## Note 4 — Investments

## Investments in Debt Securities

The Association's investments consist of asset-backed securities (ABSs). These ABSs are issued through the Small Business Administration and are guaranteed by the full faith and credit of the United States government. They are held for managing short-term surplus funds and reducing interest rate risk. These securities meet the applicable FCA regulatory guidelines related to government agency guaranteed investments.

The Association's investments also consist of Rural America Bonds (RABs), which are private placement securities purchased under the Mission Related Investment (MRI) program approved by the FCA. In its Conditions of Approval for the program, the FCA generally considers a RAB ineligible if its investment rating, based on the internal 14-point risk rating scale used to also grade loans, falls below 9 and requires System institutions to provide notification to FCA when a security becomes ineligible. Any other bonds purchased under the MRI program, approved on a case-by-case basis by FCA, may have different eligibility requirements. At December 31, 2018 the Association held one RAB totaling \$110 whose credit quality has deteriorated beyond the program limits.

5.50% 0.85

3.00%

2.957

2.896

5 853

(53)

RABs ABSs Total

A summary of the amortized cost and fair value of investment securities held-to-maturity follows:

	nortized Cost	Unr	ross ealized ains	Un	Gross realized Josses		Fair Value	Yield
RABs	\$ 2,483	\$	460	\$	_	\$	2,943	6.24%
ABSs	1,741		4		(46)		1,699	2.17
Total	\$ 4,224	\$	464	\$	(46)	\$	4,642	4.56%

2 533

2.934

5 467

RABs ABSs Total

	ortized Cost	Unr	ross ealized ains	Uni	Gross realized Josses	Fair Value	Yield
RABs	\$ 2,912	\$	431	\$	(5)	\$ 3,338	5.56%
ABSs	4,505		13		(72)	4,446	0.08
Total	\$ 7,417	\$	444	\$	(77)	\$ 7,784	2.23%

A summary of the contractual maturity, amortized cost and estimated fair value of investment securities held-to-maturity follows:

		D	ecemb	er 31, 201	8
In one year or less After one year through five years After five years through ten years	Ar	nortized Cost		Fair Value	Weighted Average Yield
In one year or less	\$	106	\$	102	-7.13%
After one year through five years		876		900	6.92
After five years through ten years		650		629	2.29
After ten years		2,592		3,011	4.81
Total	\$	4,224	\$	4,642	4.56%

A portion of these investments has contractual maturities in excess of ten years. However, expected maturities for these types of securities can differ from contractual maturities because borrowers may have the right to prepay obligations with or without prepayment penalties.

An investment is considered impaired if its fair value is less than its cost. The following tables show the fair value and gross unrealized losses for investments that were in a continuous unrealized loss position aggregated by investment category at each reporting period. A continuous unrealized loss position for an investment is measured from the date the impairment was first identified.

December 31, 2018										
Les	s than	12 Months								
12 N	Months		or Greater							
Fair	Unrealized		Fair	Unrealized						
Value	Losses		Value	Losses						
\$ -	\$ -	\$	1,457	\$ (46)						

December 31, 2017
Less than

		s tnar Ionth		or Greater				
_	`air alue		realized Losses	Fair Value		alized osses		
\$	399	\$	(1)	\$ 1,602	\$	(52)		

			Decemb	er 31,	2010				
		s thar Ionth		12 Months or Greater					
Fair Value			realized Losses		Fair Value	Unrealize Losses			
\$	_	\$	-	\$	889	\$	(5)		
	402		(2)		2,594		(70)		
\$	402	\$	(2)	\$	3,483	\$	(75)		

mbor 21 2016

The recording of an impairment loss is predicated on: (1) whether or not management intends to sell the security, (2) whether it is more likely than not that management would be required to sell the security before recovering its costs, and (3) whether management expects to recover the security's entire amortized cost basis (even if there is no intention to sell). If the Association intends to sell the security or it is more likely than not that it would be required to sell the security, the impairment loss equals the full difference between amortized cost and fair value of the security. When the Association does not intend to sell securities in an unrealized loss position and it is not more likely than not that it would be required to sell the securities, other-than-temporary impairment loss is separated into credit loss and non-credit loss. Credit loss is defined as the shortfall of the present value of the cash flows expected to be collected in relation to the amortized cost basis.

The Association performs periodic credit reviews, including other-than-temporary impairment (OTTI) analyses, on its investment securities portfolio. The objective is to quantify future possible loss of principal or interest due on securities in the portfolio. Factors considered in determining whether an impairment is other-than-temporary include among others: (1) the length of time and the extent to which the fair value is less than cost, (2) adverse conditions specifically related to the industry, (3) geographic area and the condition of the underlying collateral, (4) payment structure of the security, (5) ratings by rating agencies, (6) the credit worthiness of bond insurers, and (7) volatility of the fair value changes.

The Association uses the present value of cash flows expected to be collected from each debt security to determine the amount of credit loss. This technique requires assumptions related to the underlying collateral, including default rates, amount and timing of prepayments, and loss severity. Assumptions can vary widely from security to security and are influenced by such factors as loan interest rate, geographical location of the borrower, borrower characteristics, and collateral type.

Significant inputs used to estimate the amount of credit loss include, but are not limited to, performance indicators of the underlying assets in the security (including default rates, delinquency rates, and percentage of nonperforming assets), loan-to-collateral value ratios, third-party guarantees, current levels of subordination, vintage, geographic concentration, and credit ratings. The Association may obtain assumptions for the default rate, prepayment rate, and loss severity rate from an independent third party, or generate the assumptions internally.

The Association has not recognized any credit losses as any impairments were deemed temporary and resulted from noncredit related factors. The Association has the ability and intent to hold these temporarily impaired investments until a recovery of unrealized losses occurs, which may be at maturity, and at this time expects to collect the full principal amount and interest due on these securities, especially after considering credit enhancements.

ABSs

A substantial portion of these investments was in U. S. government agency securities and the Association expects these securities would not be settled at a price less than their amortized cost. All securities continue to perform at period end

# Equity Investments in Other Farm Credit 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.

The Association is required to maintain ownership in 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's investment in the Bank totaled \$12,616 for 2018, \$11,576 for 2017 and \$10,684 for 2016. The Association owns 4.61 percent of the issued stock of the Bank as of December 31, 2018 net of any reciprocal investment. As of that date, the Bank's assets totaled \$33.1 billion and shareholders' equity totaled \$2.2 billion. The Bank's earnings were \$306 million for 2018. In addition, the Association had an investment of \$2,096 related to other Farm Credit institutions at December 31, 2018.

## Note 5 — Real Estate and Other Property

## Premises and Equipment

Premises and equipment consists of the following:

	December 31,							
	2018	2017	2016					
Land	\$ 975	\$ 973	\$ 677					
Buildings and improvements	9,227	8,719	8,553					
Furniture and equipment	5,359	4,852	4,552					
	15,561	14,544	13,782					
Less: accumulated depreciation	7,865	7,602	7,156					
Total	\$ 7,696	\$ 6,942	\$ 6,626					

## Other Property Owned

Net (gains) losses on other property owned consist of the following:

	December 31,								
		2018		2017		2016			
(Gains) losses on sale, net	\$	(70)	\$	(31)	\$	(57)			
Carrying value unrealized (gains) losses		(28)		63		345			
Operating (income) expense, net		(27)		27		425			
(Gains) losses on other property									
owned, net	\$	(125)	\$	59	\$	713			

Gains on sales of other property owned were deferred if the sales involved financing from the Association and did not meet the criteria for immediate recognition. Deferred gains totaled \$25, \$97, and \$104 at December 31, 2018, 2017, and 2016, respectively.

#### Note 6 — Debt

## Notes Payable to AgFirst Farm Credit Bank

Under the Farm Credit Act, the Association is obligated to borrow only from the Bank, unless the Bank approves borrowing from other funding sources. The borrowing relationship is established with the Bank through a General Financing Agreement (GFA). The GFA utilizes the Association's credit and fiscal performance as criteria for establishing a line of credit on which the Association may draw funds. The GFA has a one year term which expires on December 31 and is renewable each year. The Association has no reason to believe the GFA will not be renewed upon expiration. The Bank, consistent with FCA regulations, has established limitations on the Association's ability to borrow funds based on specified factors or formulas relating primarily to credit quality and financial condition. At December 31, 2018, the Association's notes payable were within the specified limitations.

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 and the terms of the revolving lines of credit are governed by the GFA. Interest rates on both variable and fixed rate advances are generally established loan-by-loan based on the Bank's marginal cost of funds, capital position, operating costs and return objectives. In the event of prepayment of any portion of a fixed rate advance, the Association may incur a prepayment penalty in accordance with the terms of the GFA and which will be included in interest expense. The interest rate is periodically adjusted by the Bank based upon agreement between the Bank and the Association.

The weighted-average interest rate on all interest-bearing notes payable was 3.45 percent and the weighted-average remaining maturity was 7.9 years at December 31, 2018. Variable rate and fixed rate notes payable represent approximately 22.00 percent and 78.00 percent, respectively, of total notes payable at December 31, 2018. The weighted average maturities described above are related to matched-funded loans. The direct note itself has an annual maturity as prescribed in the GFA.

#### Note 7 — Members' Equity

A description of the Association's capitalization requirements, protection mechanisms, regulatory capitalization requirements and restrictions, and equities are provided below:

A. Protected Borrower Equity: Protection of certain borrower equity is provided under the Farm Credit Act, which requires the Association, when retiring protected borrower equity, to retire such equity at par or stated value regardless of its book value. Protected borrower equity includes capital stock, participation certificates and allocated equities that were outstanding as of January 6, 1988, or were issued or allocated prior to October 6, 1988. If an Association is unable to retire protected borrower equity at par value or stated value, amounts required to retire this equity would be obtained from the Insurance Fund.

B. Capital Stock and Participation Certificates: In accordance with the Farm Credit Act and the Association's capitalization bylaws, each borrower is required to invest in Class C stock for agricultural loans, or participation certificates in the case of rural home and farm-related business loans, as a condition of borrowing. The initial borrower investment, through either purchase or transfer, must be in an amount equal to the lessor of two percent of the loan amount or \$1,000. The Board of Directors may increase the amount of investment if necessary to meet the Association's capital needs. Loans designated for sale or sold into the Secondary Market on or after April 16, 1996 will have no voting stock or participation certificate purchase requirement if sold within 180 days following the date of designation.

The borrower acquires ownership of the capital stock or participation certificates at the time the loan is made, but usually does not make a cash investment. The aggregate par value is generally added to the principal amount of the related loan obligation. The Association retains a first lien on the stock or participation certificates owned by borrowers. Retirement of such equities will generally be at the lower of par or book value, and repayment of a loan does not automatically result in retirement of the corresponding stock or participation certificates.

C. Regulatory Capitalization Requirements and Restrictions: An FCA regulation empowers it to direct a transfer of funds or equities by one or more System institutions to another System institution under specified circumstances. The Association has not been called upon to initiate any transfers and is not aware of any proposed action under this regulation.

There are currently no prohibitions in place that would prevent the Association from retiring stock, distributing earnings, or paying dividends per the statutory and regulatory restrictions, and the Association has no reason to believe any such restrictions may apply in the future.

Effective January 1, 2017, the regulatory capital requirements for System Banks and associations were modified. The new 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. New regulations replaced core surplus and total surplus ratios with common equity tier 1 (CET1) capital, tier 1 capital, and total capital risk-based ratios. The new regulations also include a tier 1 leverage ratio and an unallocated retained earnings (URE) and URE equivalents (UREE) leverage ratio. The permanent capital ratio (PCR) remains in effect.

The ratios are calculated using three-month average daily balances, in accordance with FCA regulations, as follows:

- The CET1 capital ratio is the sum of statutory minimum purchased borrower stock, other required borrower stock held for a minimum of 7 years, allocated equities held for a minimum of 7 years or not subject to revolvement, unallocated retained earnings, paid-in capital, less certain regulatory required deductions including the amount of investments in other System institutions, divided by average risk-adjusted assets.
- The tier 1 capital ratio is CET1 capital plus noncumulative perpetual preferred stock, divided by average risk-adjusted assets.
- The total capital ratio is tier 1 capital plus other required borrower stock held for a minimum of 5 years, subordinated debt and limited-life preferred stock greater than 5 years to maturity at issuance subject to certain limitations, allowance for loan losses and reserve for unfunded commitments under certain limitations less certain investments in other System institutions under the corresponding deduction approach, divided by average risk-adjusted assets.
- The permanent capital ratio is all at-risk borrower stock, any allocated excess stock, unallocated retained earnings, paid-in capital, subordinated debt and preferred stock subject to certain limitations, less certain investments in other System institutions, divided by PCR risk-adjusted assets.
- The tier 1 leverage ratio is tier 1 capital, divided by average assets less regulatory deductions to tier 1 capital.
- The URE and UREE leverage ratio is unallocated retained earnings, paid-in capital, and allocated surplus not subject to revolvement less certain regulatory required deductions including the amount of allocated investments in other System institutions divided by average assets less regulatory deductions to tier 1 capital.

The following sets forth the regulatory capital ratios which were effective January 1, 2017:

	Minimum	Capital Conservation	Minimum Requirement with Capital	Capital Ratios as of December 31,				
Ratio	•			2018	2017			
Risk-adjusted ratios:								
CET1 Capital	4.5%	1.25%	5.75%	19.73%	19.64%			
Tier 1 Capital	6.0%	1.25%	7.25%	19.73%	19.64%			
Total Capital	8.0%	1.25%	9.25%	20.52%	20.34%			
Permanent Capital	7.0%	0.0%	7.0%	19.88%	19.77%			
Non-risk-adjusted ratios:								
Tier 1 Leverage	4.0%	1.0%	5.0%	21.84%	21.67%			
URE and UREE Leverage	1.5%	0.0%	1.5%	16.85%	16.37%			

<sup>\*</sup> The capital conservation buffers have a 3 year phase-in period and will become fully effective January 1, 2020. Risk-adjusted ratio minimums will increase 0.625% each year until fully phased in. There is no phase-in period for the tier 1 leverage ratio.

If the capital ratios fall below the minimum regulatory requirements, including the buffer amounts, capital distributions (equity redemptions, dividends, and patronage) and discretionary senior executive bonuses are restricted or prohibited without prior FCA approval.

D. Description of Equities: The Association is authorized to issue or have outstanding Class D Preferred Stock, Classes A, B, and C Common Stock, Classes B and C Participation Certificates and such other classes of equity as may be provided for in amendments to the bylaws in such amounts as may be necessary to conduct the Association's business. All stock and participation certificates have a par or face value of five dollars (\$5.00) per share, except for Class D Preferred Stock which, if issued, would have a par value of (\$0.01) per share.

The Association had the following shares outstanding at December 31, 2018:

	_	Shares Outstanding					
Class	Protected	Number	Aggregate Par Value				
A Common/Nonvoting	Yes	89,103	\$ 445				
C Common/Voting	No	458,152	2,291				
C Participation Certificates/Nonvoting	No	50,484	252				
Total Capital Stock and Participation Certificates		597,739	\$ 2,988				

Protected common stock and participation certificates are retired at par or face value in the normal course of business. At-risk common stock and participation certificates are retired at the sole discretion of the Board at book value not to exceed par or face amounts, provided the minimum capital adequacy standards established by the Board are met.

# Retained Earnings

The Association maintains an unallocated retained earnings account and an allocated retained earnings account. The Board determines the minimum aggregate amount of these two accounts. At the end of any fiscal year, if the retained earnings accounts otherwise would be less than the minimum amount determined by the Board as necessary to maintain adequate capital reserves to meet the commitments of the Association, the Association shall apply earnings for the year to the unallocated retained earnings account in such amounts as may be determined necessary by the Board. Unallocated retained earnings are maintained for each borrower to permit liquidation on a patronage basis.

The Association maintains an allocated retained earnings account consisting of earnings held and allocated to borrowers on a patronage basis. In the event of a net loss for any fiscal year, such allocated retained earnings account will be subject to full impairment in the order specified in the bylaws beginning with the most recent allocation.

The Association has a first lien and security interest on all retained earnings account allocations owned by any borrowers, and all distributions thereof, as additional collateral for their indebtedness to the Association. When the debt of a borrower is in default or is in the process of

final liquidation by payment or otherwise, the Association, upon approval of the Board, may order any and all retained earnings account allocations owned by such borrower to be applied on the indebtedness.

Allocated equities shall be retired solely at the discretion of the Board, provided that minimum capital standards established by the FCA and the Board are met. All nonqualified distributions are tax deductible only when redeemed.

At December 31, 2018, allocated members' equity consisted of \$56,830 of nonqualified allocated surplus and \$61,210 of nonqualified retained surplus.

# Patronage Distributions

Prior to the beginning of any fiscal year, the Board, by adoption of a resolution, may obligate the Association to distribute to borrowers on a patronage basis all or any portion of available net earnings for such fiscal year or for that and subsequent fiscal years. Patronage distributions are based on the proportion of the borrower's interest to the amount of interest earned by the Association on its total loans unless another proportionate patronage basis is approved by the Board.

If the Association meets its capital adequacy standards after making the patronage distributions, the patronage distributions may be in cash, authorized stock of the Association, allocations of earnings retained in an allocated members' equity account, or any one or more of such forms of distribution. Patronage distributions of the Association's earnings may be paid on either a qualified or nonqualified basis, or a combination of both, as determined by the Board. A minimum of 20 percent of the total qualified patronage distribution to any borrower for any fiscal year shall always be paid in cash.

## Dividends

The Association may declare noncumulative dividends on its capital stock and participation certificates provided the dividend rate does not exceed 8 percent of the par value of the respective capital stock and participation certificates. Such dividends may be paid solely on Class D Preferred Stock or on all classes of stock and participation certificates.

The rate of dividends paid on Class D Preferred Stock for any fiscal year may not be less than the rate of dividends paid on Classes A, B or C Common Stock or participation certificates for such year. The rate of dividends on Classes A, B, or C Common Stock and participation certificates shall be at the same rate per share.

Dividends may not be declared if, after recording the liability, the Association would not meet its capital adequacy standards. No dividends were declared by the Association for any of the periods included in these Consolidated Financial Statements.

# Transfer

Class D Preferred, Classes A, B and C Common Stocks, and Classes B and C Participation Certificates may be

transferred to persons or entities eligible to purchase or hold such equities.

### *Impairment*

Any net losses recorded by the Association shall first be applied against unallocated members' equity. To the extent that such losses would exceed unallocated members' equity, such losses would be applied consistent with the Association's bylaws and distributed pro rata to each share and/or unit outstanding in the class, in the following order:

- a) First, Assistance Preferred Stock issued and outstanding:
- b) Second, allocated surplus, in its entirety, with application to most recent allocation first and then in reverse order until all allocated surplus has been exhausted;
- c) Third, Class C Common Stock and Class C Participation Certificates issued and outstanding, pro rata until such stock is fully impaired;
- d) Fourth, Class A Common and Class B Common Stock and Class B Participation Certificates issued and outstanding, pro rata until such stock is fully impaired;
- e) Fifth, Class D Preferred Stock issued and outstanding, if any.

#### Distribution on Liquidation

In the event of liquidation or dissolution of the Association, any assets of the Association remaining after payment or retirement of all liabilities, shall be distributed in the following order of priority:

a) First, to the holders of Class D Preferred Stock until an amount equal to the aggregate par value of all shares of

- said stock then issued and outstanding has been distributed to such holders,
- **Second**, to the holders of Class A Common Stock, Class B Common Stock, Class C Common Stock and Participation Certificates, pro rata in proportion to the number of shares or units of each such class of stock or participation certificates then issued and outstanding, until an amount equal to the aggregate par value or face amount of all such shares or units has been distributed to such holders:
- c) *Third*, to the holders of allocated surplus evidenced by qualified written notices of allocation, in the order of the year of issuance, until the total amount of such account has been distributed;
- d) Fourth, to the holders of allocated surplus evidenced by nonqualified written notices of allocation, in the order of the year of issuance, until the total amount of such account has been distributed;
- e) Fifth, all unallocated surplus accrued or issued after April 22, 1995, shall be distributed to present and former Patrons from said date through the date of liquidation on a patronage basis to the extent practicable; and
- Sixth, any remaining assets of the Association after such distribution shall be distributed ratably to the holders of all classes of Common Stock and Participation Certificates in proportion to the number of shares or units of such class of Common Stock or participation certificates held by such holders.

All distributions to the holders of any class of stock and/or participation certificate holders shall be made in proportion to the number of shares or units of such classes of stock or participation certificates held by such holders. All distributions to holders of allocated surplus shall be prorata by year of issuance.

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Changes in Accumulated Other Comprehensive income by Component (a)

# E. Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (AOCI):

For the Years Ended December 31, 2018 2017 **Employee Benefit Plans:** (238)(212)Balance at beginning of period Other comprehensive income before reclassifications 32 Amounts reclassified from AOCI 11 Net current period OCI 43 Balance at end of period (195)(238)

	Reclassifications Out of Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (b)												
	Year to Date												
	2018		2017		2016	Income Statement Line Item							
<b>Defined Benefit Pension Plans:</b>													
Periodic pension costs	\$ (11)	\$	(9)	\$	(8)	See Note 9.							
Amounts reclassified	\$ (11)	\$	(9)	\$	(8)								

- (a) Amounts in parentheses indicate debits to AOCI.
- (b) Amounts in parentheses indicate debits to profit/loss.

#### Note 8 — 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.

Estimating the fair value of the Association's equity investments in the Bank and Other Farm Credit Institutions is not practicable because the stock is not traded. The net investment is a requirement of borrowing from the Bank and is carried at cost.

The classifications within the fair value hierarchy (See Note 2) are as follows:

#### Level 1

Assets held in trust funds, related to deferred compensation plans, and assets held in mutual funds, related to the Association's Corporate Giving Fund, 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.

For cash, the carrying value is primarily utilized as a reasonable estimate of fair value.

# Level 2

ABSs, such as those issued through the Small Business Administration, are classified Level 2.

#### Level 3

Because no active market exists for the Association's accruing loans, fair value is estimated by discounting the expected future cash flows using the Association's current interest rates at which similar loans currently would be made to borrowers with similar credit risk. The loan portfolio is segregated into pools of loans with homogeneous characteristics based upon repricing and credit risk. Expected future cash flows and interest rates reflecting appropriate credit risk are separately determined for each individual pool.

Fair values of loans in a nonaccrual status 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.

Notes payable are segregated into pricing pools according to the types and terms of the loans (or other assets) which they fund. Fair value of the notes payable is estimated by discounting the anticipated cash flows of each pricing pool using the current rate that would be charged for additional borrowings. For purposes of this estimate it is assumed the cash flow on the notes is equal to the principal payments on the Association's loan receivables. This assumption implies that earnings on the Association's interest margin are used to fund operating expenses and capital expenditures.

Other property owned is classified as a Level 3 asset. 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. Other property owned consists of real and personal property acquired through foreclosure or deed in lieu of foreclosure and is carried as an asset held for sale, which is generally not its highest and best use. These properties are part of the Association's credit risk mitigation efforts, not its ongoing business. In addition, FCA regulations require that these types of property be disposed of within a reasonable period of time.

For commitments to extend credit, the estimated market value of off-balance-sheet commitments is minimal since the committed rate approximates current rates offered for commitments with similar rate and maturity characteristics; therefore, the related credit risk is not significant.

The fair value of investments in debt securities is estimated by discounting expected future cash flows using prevailing rates for similar instruments at the measurement date.

There were no Level 3 assets and 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. Other Financial Instruments are not measured at fair value in the statement of financial position, but their fair values are estimated as of each period end date. The following tables summarize the carrying amounts of these assets and liabilities at period end, and their related fair values.

					Decer	nber 31, 2018	3			
		Total Carrying Amount		Level 1		Level 2		Level 3		Total Fair Value
Recurring Measurements										
Assets: Assets held in trust funds	¢.	689	¢	689	¢.		¢		¢	689
	\$		\$		\$		\$		\$	
Recurring Assets	\$	689	\$	689	\$		\$		\$	689
Liabilities:										
Recurring Liabilities	\$	_	\$	_	\$	_	\$	_	\$	
Nonrecurring Measurements										
Assets:										
Impaired loans	\$	2,821	\$	_	\$	_	\$	2,821	\$	2,821
Other property owned		73				_		80		80
Nonrecurring Assets	\$	2,894	\$	_	\$	_	\$	2,901	\$	2,901
Other Financial Instruments										
Assets:										
Cash	\$	331	\$	331	\$	_	\$	_	\$	331
RABs		2,483		_		_		2,943		2,943
ABSs		1,741		_		1,699		_		1,699
Loans		1,152,173		_		_		1,141,744		1,141,744
Other Financial Assets	\$	1,156,728	\$	331	\$	1,699	\$	1,144,687	\$	1,146,717
Liabilities:										
Notes payable to AgFirst Farm Credit Bank	\$	915,039	\$	_	\$	_	\$	908,211	\$	908,211
Other Financial Liabilities	\$	915,039	\$	_	\$	_	\$	908,211	\$	908,211

	December 31, 2017										
		Total Carrying Amount		Level 1		Level 2		Level 3		Total Fair Value	
Recurring Measurements											
Assets:											
Assets held in trust funds	\$	740	\$	740	\$	_	\$	_	\$	740	
Recurring Assets	\$	740	\$	740	\$	_	\$	_	\$	740	
Liabilities:											
Recurring Liabilities	\$	-	\$	_	\$	_	\$	_	\$	_	
Nonrecurring Measurements											
Assets:											
Impaired loans	\$	1,649	\$	_	\$	-	\$	1,649	\$	1,649	
Other property owned		95		_		_		103		103	
Nonrecurring Assets	\$	1,744	\$	-	\$	-	\$	1,752	\$	1,752	
Other Financial Instruments											
Assets:											
Cash	\$	211	\$	211	\$	-	\$	_	\$	211	
RABs		2,533		_		_		2,957		2,957	
ABSs		2,934		_		2,896		_		2,896	
Loans		1,121,589		_		_		1,120,461		1,120,461	
Other Financial Assets	\$	1,127,267	\$	211	\$	2,896	\$	1,123,418	\$	1,126,525	
Liabilities:											
Notes payable to AgFirst Farm Credit Bank	\$	894,913	\$	_	\$	_	\$	891,906	\$	891,906	
Other Financial Liabilities	\$	894,913	\$	_	\$	_	\$	891,906	\$	891,906	

	December 31, 2016										
		Total Carrying Amount		Level 1		Level 2		Level 3	Total Fair Value		
Recurring Measurements											
Assets:											
Assets held in trust funds	\$	709	\$	709	\$	_	\$	_	\$	709	
Recurring Assets	\$	709	\$	709	\$	_	\$		\$	709	
Liabilities:											
Recurring Liabilities	\$	_	\$	_	\$	_	\$	_	\$		
Nonrecurring Measurements Assets:											
Impaired loans	\$	85	\$		\$		\$	85	\$	85	
Other property owned	Ф	366	Ф	_	Ф	_	Φ	405	Ф	405	
Nonrecurring Assets	\$	451	\$	=	\$	=	\$	490	\$	490	
Other Financial Instruments											
Assets:											
Cash	\$	244	\$	244	\$	_	\$	_	\$	244	
RABs		2,912		_		_		3,338		3,338	
ABSs		4,505		_		4,446		_		4,446	
Loans		1,026,736		_		, –		1,026,848		1,026,848	
Other investments	\$	1,034,397	\$	244	\$	4,446	\$	1,030,186	\$	1,034,876	
Liabilities:											
Notes payable to AgFirst Farm Credit Bank	\$	809,137	\$	_	\$	_	\$	806,220	\$	806,220	
Other Financial Liabilities	\$	809,137	\$	_	\$	_	\$	806,220	\$	806,220	

# SENSITIVITY TO CHANGES IN SIGNIFICANT UNOBSERVABLE INPUTS

Discounted cash flow or similar modeling techniques are generally used to determine the recurring fair value measurements for Level 3 assets and liabilities. Use of these techniques requires determination of relevant inputs and assumptions, some of which represent significant unobservable inputs as indicated in the tables that follow. Accordingly, changes in these unobservable inputs may have a significant impact on fair value.

Certain of these unobservable inputs will (in isolation) have a directionally consistent impact on the fair value of the instrument for a given change in that input. Alternatively, the fair value of the instrument may move in an opposite direction for a given change in another input. Where multiple inputs are used within the valuation technique of an asset or liability, a change in one input in a certain direction may be offset by an opposite change in another input having a potentially muted impact to the overall fair value of that particular instrument. Additionally, a change in one unobservable input may result in a change to another unobservable input (that is, changes in certain inputs are interrelated with one another), which may counteract or magnify the fair value impact.

#### Investments in Debt Securities

The fair values of predominantly all Level 3 investments in debt securities have consistent inputs, valuation techniques and correlation to changes in underlying inputs. The models used to determine fair value for these instruments use certain significant unobservable inputs within a discounted cash flow or market comparable pricing valuation technique. Such inputs generally include discount rate components including risk premiums, prepayment estimates, default estimates and loss severities.

These Level 3 assets would decrease (increase) in value based upon an increase (decrease) in discount rates, defaults, or loss severities. Conversely, the fair value of these assets would generally increase (decrease) in value if the prepayment input were to increase (decrease).

Generally, a change in the assumption used for defaults is accompanied by a directionally similar change in the risk premium component of the discount rate (specifically, the portion related to credit risk) and a directionally opposite change in the assumption used for prepayments. Unobservable inputs for loss severities do not normally increase or decrease based on movements in the other significant unobservable inputs for these Level 3 assets.

# Inputs to Valuation Techniques

Management determines the Association's valuation policies and procedures. The Bank performs the majority of the Association's valuations, and its valuation processes are calibrated annually by an independent consultant. The fair value measurements are analyzed on a quarterly basis. For other valuations, documentation is obtained for third party information, such as pricing, and periodically evaluated alongside internal information and pricing that is available.

Quoted market prices are generally not available for the instruments presented below. Accordingly fair values are based on judgments regarding anticipated cash flows, future expected loss experience, current economic conditions, risk characteristics of various financial instruments, and other factors. These estimates involve uncertainties and matters of judgment, and therefore cannot be determined with precision. Changes in assumptions could significantly affect the estimates.

#### Quantitative Information about Recurring and Nonrecurring Level 3 Fair Value Measurements

	Fai	ir Value	Valuation Technique(s)	Unobservable Input	Range
Impaired loans and other property owned	\$	2,901	Appraisal	Income and expense	*
				Comparable sales	*
				Replacement costs	*
				Comparability adjustments	*

<sup>\*</sup> Ranges for this type of input are not useful because each collateral property is unique.

#### Information about Other Financial Instrument Fair Value Measurements

	Valuation Technique(s)	Input
Cash	Carrying Value	Par/Principal and appropriate interest yield
Loans	Discounted cash flow	Prepayment forecasts
		Probability of default
		Loss severity
RABs	Discounted cash flow	Prepayment rates
		Risk adjusted discount rate
ABSs	Vendor priced	**
Notes payable to AgFirst Farm Credit Bank	Discounted cash flow	Prepayment forecasts
		Probability of default
		Loss severity

<sup>\*\*</sup> The inputs used to estimate fair value for assets and liabilities that are obtained from third party vendors are not included in the table as the specific inputs applied are not provided by the vendor.

# Note 9 — Employee Benefit Plans

The Association participates in three District sponsored benefit plans. These plans include a multi-employer defined benefit pension plan, the AgFirst Farm Credit Retirement Plan, which is a final average pay plan (FAP Plan). In addition, the Association participates in a multi-employer defined benefit other postretirement benefits plan (OPEB Plan), the Farm Credit Benefits Alliance Retiree and Disabled Medical and Dental Plan, and a defined contribution 401(k) plan. The risks of participating in these multi-employer plans are different from single-employer plans in the following aspects:

- Assets contributed to multi-employer plans by one employer may be used to provide benefits to employees of other participating employers.
- If a participating employer stops contributing to the plan, the unfunded obligations of the plan may be borne by the remaining participating employers.
- If the Association chooses to stop participating in some of its multi-employer plans, the Association may be required to contribute to eliminate the underfunded status of the plan.

The District's multiemployer plans are not subject to ERISA and no Form 5500 is required. As such, the following information is neither available for nor applicable to the plans:

- The Employee Identification Number (EIN) and three-digit Pension Plan Number
- The most recent Pension Protection Act (PPA) zone status. Among other factors, plans in the red zone are generally less than 65 percent funded, plans in the yellow zone are less than 80 percent funded, and plans in the green zone are at least 80 percent funded.
- 3. The "FIP/RP Status" indicating whether a financial improvement plan (FIP) or a rehabilitation plan (RP) is either pending or has been implemented.
- 4. The expiration date(s) of collective-bargaining agreement(s).

The FAP Plan covers employees hired prior to January 1, 2003 and includes other District employees that are not

employees of the Association. It is accounted for as a multiemployer plan. The related net benefit plan obligations are not included in the Association's Balance Sheets but are included in the Combined Balance Sheets for the AgFirst District. FAP Plan expenses included in employee benefit costs on the Association's Statements of Income were \$2,869 for 2018, \$2,551 for 2017, and \$3,472 for 2016. At December 31, 2018, 2017, and 2016, the total liability balance for the FAP Plan presented in the District Combined Balance Sheets is \$94,491, \$139,104, and \$119,000, respectively. The FAP Plan is 89.56 percent, 86.41 percent, and 86.96 percent funded to the projected benefit obligation as of December 31, 2018, 2017, and 2016, respectively.

In addition to providing pension benefits, the Association provides certain medical and dental benefits for eligible retired employees through the OPEB Plan. Substantially all of the Association employees may become eligible for the benefits if they reach early retirement age while working for the Association. Early retirement age is defined as a minimum of age 55 and 10 years of service. Employees hired after December 31, 2002, and employees who separate from service between age 50 and age 55, are required to pay the full cost of their retiree health insurance coverage. Employees who retire subsequent to December 1, 2007 are no longer provided retiree life insurance benefits. The OPEB Plan includes other Farm Credit System employees that are not employees of the Association or District and is accounted for as a multiemployer plan. The related net benefit plan obligations are not included in the Association's Balance Sheets but are included in the Combined Statement of Condition for the Farm Credit System. The OPEB Plan is unfunded with expenses paid as incurred. Postretirement benefits other than pensions included in employee benefit costs on the Association's Statements of Income were \$318 for 2018, \$299 for 2017, and \$606 for 2016. At December 31, 2018, the total AgFirst District liability balance for the OPEB Plan presented in the Farm Credit System Combined Statement of Condition is \$181,820.

During 2017, the method of recording expenses at participating District entities for the FAP and OPEB Plans was modified. Prior to 2017, expense was recorded based on

allocations of actuarially-determined costs and any differences between recorded expense and actual contributions were recorded in Other Assets or Other Liabilities on the Consolidated Balance Sheets. For 2017 and future years, participating entities will record employee benefit costs based on the actual contributions to the Plans. This change caused the Association to modify its accounting estimates recorded in Other Assets and Other Liabilities since the assets and liabilities do not impact future contributions to the Plans. The change in estimate resulted in the reduction of Other Assets by \$4,597 and the reduction of Other Liabilities by \$6,810 on the Association's Balance Sheets, and a total reduction of noninterest expenses on the Association's Statements of Income of \$2,213 during 2017.

The Association also participates in a defined contribution Farm Credit Benefits Alliance (FCBA) 401(k) Plan (401(k) Plan), which qualifies as a 401(k) plan as defined by the Internal Revenue Code. For employees hired on or prior to December 31, 2002, the Association contributes \$0.50 for each \$1.00 of the employee's first 6.00 percent of contribution (based on total compensation) up to the maximum employer contribution of 3.00 percent of total compensation. For employees hired on or after January 1, 2003, the Association contributes \$1.00 for each \$1.00 of the employee's first 6.00 percent of contribution up to the maximum employer contribution of 6.00 percent of total compensation. Employee deferrals are not to exceed the maximum deferral as determined and adjusted by the Internal Revenue Service. The 401(k) Plan costs are expensed as funded. Employer contributions to this plan included in salaries and employee benefit costs were \$798, \$795, and \$634 for the years ended December 31, 2018, 2017, and 2016, respectively. Beginning in 2015, contributions include an additional 3.00 percent of eligible compensation for employees hired after December 31, 2002.

FASB guidance further requires the determination of the fair value of plan assets and recognition of actuarial gains and losses, prior service costs or credits, and transition assets or obligations as a component of AOCI. Under the guidance, these amounts are subsequently recognized as components of net periodic benefit costs over time. For 2018, 2017, and 2016, \$43, \$(26), and \$(5) has been recognized as a net credit and net debits, respectively, to AOCI to reflect these elements.

In addition to the multi-employer plans described above, the Association sponsors nonqualified supplemental retirement and 401(k) plans. The supplemental retirement plan is unfunded and had a projected benefit obligation of \$579 and a net underfunded status of \$579 at December 31, 2018. Assumptions used to determine the projected benefit obligation as of December 31, 2018 included a discount rate of 4.40 percent. The expenses of these nonqualified plans included in noninterest expenses were \$52, \$46, and \$43 for 2018, 2017, and 2016, respectively.

Additional information for the above may be found in the Notes to the Annual Information Statement of the Farm Credit System.

# Note 10 — Related Party Transactions

In the ordinary course of business, the Association enters into loan transactions with officers and directors of the Association, their immediate families and other organizations with which such persons may be associated. Such loans are subject to

special approval requirements contained in the FCA regulations and are made on the same terms, including interest rates, amortization schedule, and collateral, as those prevailing at the time for comparable transactions with unaffiliated borrowers.

Total loans to such persons at December 31, 2018 amounted to \$112,063, including \$215 classified as nonaccrual. During 2018, \$307,879 of new loans were made and repayments totaled \$286,683.

# Note 11 — Commitments and Contingencies

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 not probable 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.

In the normal course of business, the Association may participate in financial instruments with off-balance-sheet risk to satisfy the financing needs of its borrowers. These financial instruments may include commitments to extend credit or letters of credit.

The instruments involve, to varying degrees, elements of credit risk in excess of the amount recognized in the financial statements. Commitments to extend credit are agreements to lend to a borrower as long as there is not a violation of any condition established in the contract. Commercial letters of credit are agreements to pay a beneficiary under conditions specified in the letter of credit. Commitments and letters of credit generally have fixed expiration dates or other termination clauses and may require payment of a fee.

Since many of these commitments are expected to expire without being drawn upon, the total commitments do not necessarily represent future cash requirements. However, these credit-related financial instruments have off-balance-sheet credit risk because their amounts are not reflected on the Consolidated Balance Sheets until funded or drawn upon. The credit risk associated with issuing commitments and letters of credit is substantially the same as that involved in extending loans to borrowers and management applies the same credit policies to these commitments. Upon fully funding a commitment, the credit risk amounts are equal to the contract amounts, assuming that borrowers fail completely to meet their obligations and the collateral or other security is of no value. The amount of collateral obtained, if deemed necessary upon extension of credit, is based on management's credit evaluation of the borrower. At December 31, 2018, \$307,294 of commitments to extend credit and no commercial letters of credit were outstanding with a related reserve for unfunded commitments of \$333 included in Other Liabilities in the Consolidated Balance Sheets.

The Association also participates in standby letters of credit to satisfy the financing needs of its borrowers. These letters of credit are irrevocable agreements to guarantee payments of specified financial obligations. At December 31, 2018, standby letters of credit outstanding totaled \$4,140 with expiration dates ranging from January 1, 2019 to August 21, 2023. The maximum potential amount of future payments that may be required under these guarantees was \$4,140.

#### Note 12 — Income Taxes

The provision (benefit) for income taxes follows:

	Year Ended December 31,						
	2018 2017 20					016	
Current: Federal	\$	-	\$	-	\$		
Deferred:		_		-		-	
Total provision (benefit) for income taxes	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	

The provision (benefit) for income tax differs from the amount of income tax determined by applying the applicable U.S. statutory federal income tax rate to pretax income as follows:

	December 31,					
		2018		2017		2016
Federal tax at statutory rate	\$	5,322	\$	9,187	\$	7,171
Patronage distributions		(2,678)		(4,025)		(3,675)
Tax-exempt FLCA earnings		(6,345)		(10,802)		(7,683)
Dividend from FLCA		2,678		4,025		3,675
Change in deferred tax asset						
valuation allowance		966		(3,003)		590
Adjustment for lower statutory rate		_		4,618		_
P/Y Provision to Return, Permanent Trueup		33		_		(25)
Meals & Entertainment		28		_		_
Other		(4)		-		(53)
Provision (benefit) for income taxes	\$	-	\$	=	\$	_

In late December 2018, federal tax legislation was enacted which, among other things, lowered the federal corporate tax rate from 35% to 21% beginning on January 1, 2018. The change to the lower corporate tax rate led to an insignificant remeasurement of the deferred tax liabilities and deferred tax assets in 2017, the period of enactment. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are comprised of the following at:

	December 31,					
		2018		2017		2016
Deferred income tax assets:						
Allowance for loan losses	\$	752	\$	319	\$	350
Deferred Revenue -Merger		171		174		270
Net operating loss - carryforward		8,731		7,872		10,156
Nonaccrual loan interest		406		627		1,044
Loss Reserve -Letters of Credit		49		48		91
Non qualified allocations		-		-		_
Gross deferred tax assets	1	0,109		9,040		11,911
Less: valuation allowance	(	(9,524)		(8,357)	(	10,940)
Gross deferred tax assets, net of						
valuation allowance		585		683		971
Deferred income tax liabilities:						
Bank patronage allocation		(631)		(652)		(1,013)
Loan Origination Fees		46		(31)		42
Gross deferred tax liability		(585)		(683)		(971)
Net deferred tax asset (liability)	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-

The Tax Cuts and Jobs Act was enacted on December 22, 2017, and includes, among other items, a reduction in the federal corporate income tax rate. The reduced rate does not have an impact in our effective tax rate due to a full valuation allowance in our books. Additionally, since our deferred tax balances are calculated based on the tax rates in effect during the period, a change in federal corporate income tax rates is recorded as a component of the income tax provision for the period in which the law is enacted to change current or future tax rates. Therefore, this reduction in the corporate federal income tax rate resulted in a one-time adjustment of our deferred tax balances and a corresponding credit to income tax expense in 2017. This one-time adjustment is entirely offset by an adjustment to the valuation allowance.

At December 31, 2018, deferred income taxes have not been provided by the Association on approximately \$4.6 million of patronage refunds received from the Bank prior to January 1, 1993. Such refunds, distributed in the form of stock, are subject to tax only upon conversion to cash. The tax liability related to future conversions is not expected to be material.

The Association recorded a valuation allowance of \$9,524, \$8,357 and \$10,940 as of December 31, 2018, 2017 and 2016, respectively. The Association will continue to evaluate the realizability of these deferred tax assets and adjust the valuation allowance accordingly.

There were no uncertain tax positions identified related to the current year and the Association has no unrecognized tax benefits at December 31, 2018 for which liabilities have been established. The Association recognizes interest and penalties, if any, related to unrecognized tax benefits as a component of income tax expense.

The tax years that remain open for federal and major state income tax jurisdictions are 2015 and forward.

# Note 13 — Additional Financial Information

# Quarterly Financial Information (Unaudited)

Net interest income Provision for (reversal of allowance for) loan losses Noninterest income (expense), net

Net income

		2018		
First	Second	Third	Fourth	Total
\$ 8,280	8,061	9,312	8,006	33,659
104	377	1,476	364	2,321
(1,840)	(3,509)	(3,226)	2,582	(5,993)
\$ 6,336	4,175	4,610	10,224	25,345

Net interest income

Provision for (reversal of allowance for) loan losses Noninterest income (expense), net

Net income

_			2017		
	First	Second	Third	Fourth	Total
\$	7,240	8,034	7,351	7,468	30,093
	(253)	(522)	397	406	28
	(2,522)	(2,727)	(3,105)	4,537	(3,817)
\$	4,971	5,829	3,849	11,599	26,248

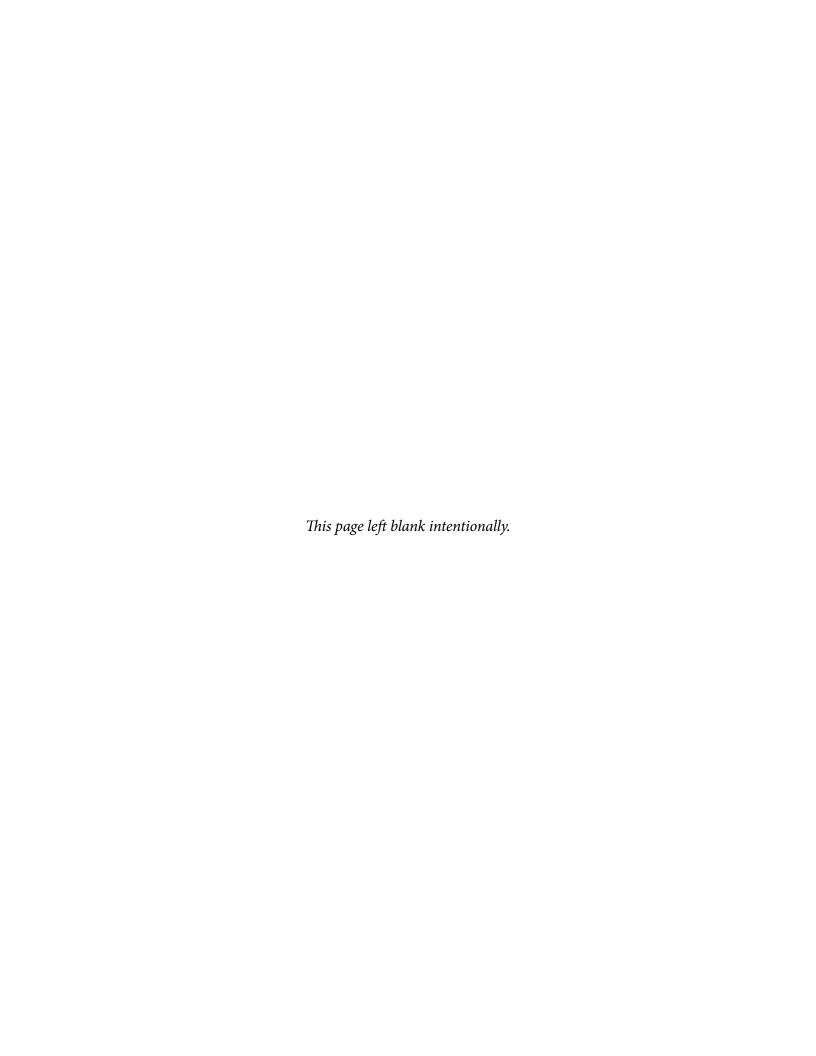
Net interest income Provision for (reversal of allowance for) loan losses

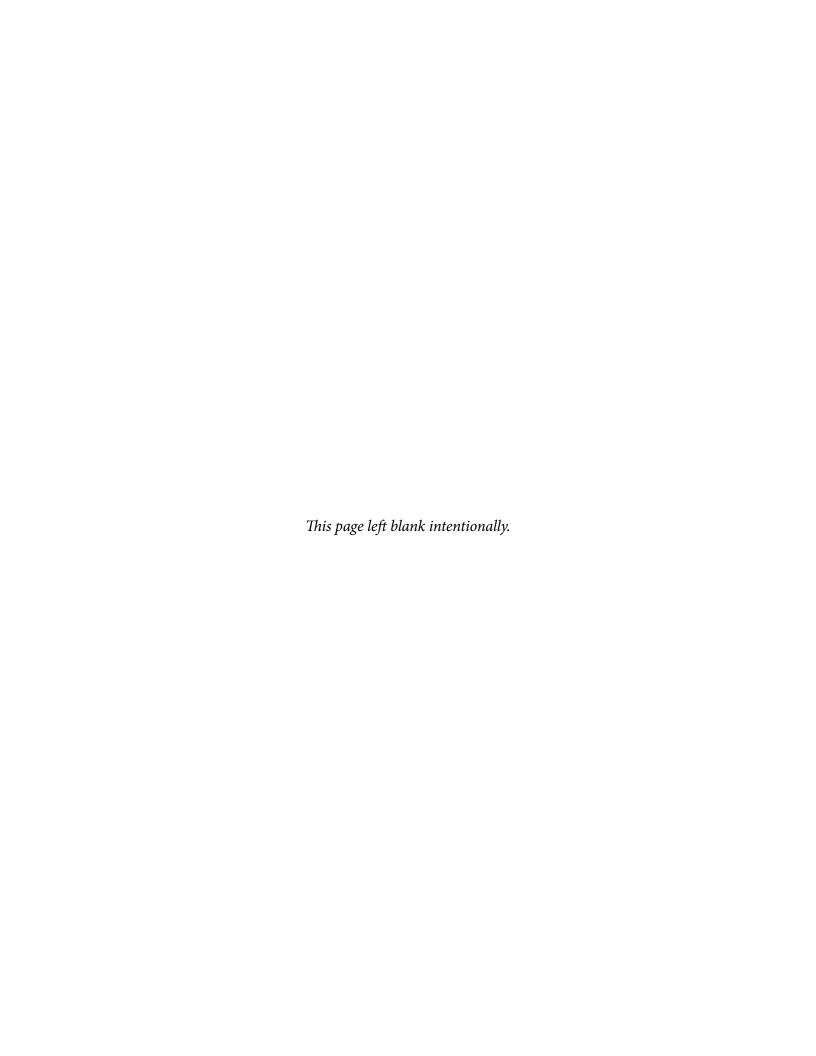
Noninterest income (expense), net Net income

		2016		
First	Second	Third	Fourth	Total
\$ 8,078	7,804	7,359	6,868	30,109
(63)	(154)	(788)	(96)	(1,101)
(3,069)	(3,414)	(3,046)	(1,193)	(10,722)
\$ 5,072	4,544	5,101	5,771	20,488

# Note 14 — Subsequent Events

The Association evaluated subsequent events and determined that there were none requiring disclosure through March 13, 2019, which was the date the financial statements were issued.







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