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"If adopted, this regulatory guidance will mean that farmers moving a single cow to the local auction market in a 16-foot trailer or farmers moving their own products to the local elevator will fall under the same regulatory regime as any commercial semi-truck moving products across the state and around the country," said North Dakota Farm Bureau Public Policy Director Sandy Clark. "Furthermore, the guidance would include combines or any vehicle pulling farm implements."

Currently, North Dakota exempts farm implements from the commercial definition. Defining farm vehicle drivers and/or tractors or other farm implements as Commercial Motor Vehicles (CMV) would result in farmers and ranchers losing those exemptions and require them to acquire CDLs, display Dept. of Transportation numbers, register owners' or farm names, limit mileage and obtain a medical card for the driver or maintain hours of service records more burdensome regulations.

Additionally, Clark said that if farmers are put in the category of "for hire" carriers, they would be regulated like commercial truckers.

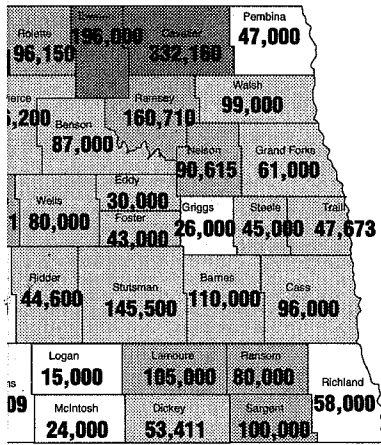
organization in the state of North Dakota, with more than 27,000 members and 50 organized county Farm Bureaus.



Cropland not planted

15.08% 15.09 - 26.3%

14.03 - 80.89%



above.

It was reported that of the 8,157,907 acres of cropland in the state, 6,287,673 acres was the projected revent plant acres. The upper north-

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relating to
Reclamation and
Gas Pipeline Safety.

Public Service Commission

will hold a public hearing to address proposed changes to the N.D. Admin. Code.

**Commission Hearing Rm.
12th Floor
State Capitol
Bismarck, ND
Tues., Aug. 9, 2011
10:00 a.m.**

A copy of the proposed rules may be obtained by writing the Public Service Commission, 600 E. Boulevard Ave., Dept. 408, Bismarck, ND 58505-0480 or by calling (701) 328-2400, toll free 1-877-245-6685 or Relay North Dakota TTY: 1-800-366-6888 or NDPSC@ND.gov. This information is also available to view on our web site at www.psc.state.nd.us under "Formal Actions/Case Search". Also, written comments may be submitted to the Public Service Commission at the above address, until September 26, 2009. If you plan to attend the public hearing and will need special facilities or assistance relating to a disability, please contact the Public Service Commission by telephone or by writing to the address above at least 24 hours prior to the public hearing.

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