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**KASICH APPOINTS ZEHRINGER TO SERVE AS NEW DIRECTOR OF  
THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES**

***Tony Forshey, DVM, Named Interim Director of Agriculture***

COLUMBUS—Today Governor John R. Kasich announced that Ohio Department of Agriculture (ODA) Director Jim Zehringer will become Director of the Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR) later this afternoon. Dr. Tony Forshey, the state veterinarian for the past six years, has been named interim director of ODA.

As Director, Zehringer replaces David Mustine who now oversees energy development efforts at JobsOhio. Assistant Director Scott Zody has served as interim director of ODNR since Mustine's departure on September 7.

Prior to his service at ODA, Director Zehringer was the State Representative for the 77th House District and is the former owner and operator of the Meiring Poultry and Fish Farm in Fort Recovery, Ohio.

Dr. Forshey has 27 years of service in veterinary medicine, is on the Board of Directors of the United States Animal Health Association and the National Institute of Animal Agriculture, and is a past recipient of the Ohio Veterinarian of the Year Award from the Ohio Veterinary Medical Association.

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