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Good afternoon,

Friday afternoon, the Governor made an announcement related to the commission. Drew Lock from Adair County was announced to fill the vacancy due to Kenny Lovelace's resignation. In addition, there was further clarification on the two previously announced commissioners. Jimmie Sherrell is replacing Ralph Gaw and Matt Lambert is replacing Jeff Lance. Commissioners Gaw and Lance were on expired terms. The new commissioners are effective as of Friday, June 5, 2026. The commissioners will have their Senate confirmation when the Senate is back in session in January.

Once Commissioner Laura Collins was confirmed by the Senate, the appointment letter for Commission Collins stated she was filling the vacant position due to Tim Martin resigning. Currently Chairman Gary Vandiver and Commissioner Keith Stevens are still serving as commissioners.

Here is Commissioner's Lock bio that was include in the Governor's announcement.

Drew Lock, of La Plata, was appointed to the **State Soil and Water Districts Commission**.

Mr. Lock works in northeastern Missouri as the president of Lock Farms Inc. and the manager of Lock Land & Livestock LLC. He is active and involved in his community, serving as a member of the Missouri Farm Bureau Board, president of the Adair/Schuyler County Farm Bureau, and a member of both the Missouri Cattlemen's Association and the La Plata FFA Advisory Board. Lock earned his bachelor's degree in agricultural science from Northwest Missouri State University.

The next commission meeting is tentatively schedule for August 19, 2026 at the State Fair. I will have to confirm with the new commissioners if that date will work for them. Districts will be notified if there are any changes to the meeting plans.

Thanks.

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