THIRD QUARTER 2023

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CERTIFICATION

The undersigned certify that we have reviewed the September 30, 2023 quarterly report of Southwest Georgia Farm Credit, 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.

/s/ Paxton W. Poitevint President/CEO

/s/ Ryan G. Burtt Chief Financial Officer

/s/ James H. Dixon Jr. Chairman of the Board

November 8, 2023

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

(dollars in thousands)

The following commentary reviews the financial condition and results of operations of Southwest Georgia Farm Credit, ACA (Association) for the period ended September 30, 2023. These comments should be read in conjunction with the accompanying consolidated financial statements, notes to the consolidated financial statements and the 2022 Annual Report of the Association. The accompanying consolidated financial statements were prepared under the oversight of the Audit Committee of the Board of Directors.

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. The Association's loan portfolio is diversified over a range of agricultural commodities in our region, including timber, landlords, poultry, cotton, livestock, peanuts, fruit and nut, vegetables, and dairy. Farm size varies and many of the borrowers in the region have diversified farming operations. These factors, along with the opportunities for non-farm income in the area, reduce the level of dependency on any given commodity.

ASSOCIATION BALANCE SHEET

The gross loan volume of the Association as of September 30, 2023, was \$696,063, an increase of \$9,768 as compared to \$686,295 at December 31, 2022. Net loans outstanding at September 30, 2023, were \$691,454 as compared to \$682,001 at December 31, 2022. Net loans and investments accounted for 95.12 percent of total assets at September 30, 2023, as compared to 94.94 percent of total assets at December 31, 2022.

Total assets at September 30, 2023 were \$731,241 compared to \$722,794 at December 31, 2022, an increase of \$8,447 or 11.69 percent. The increase in total assets is primarily the result of the increase in average loan volume.

Investment securities classed as held to maturity as of September 30, 2023 were \$4,082, a decrease of \$149 as compared to \$4,231 at December 31, 2022. There is an inherent risk in the extension of any type of credit. The current year (2023) continues to show satisfactory credit quality within the Association's portfolio. Loans classified under the Farm Credit Administration's Uniform Loan Classification System as "acceptable" or "other assets especially mentioned" are 98.72 percent of total loans and accrued interest at September 30, 2023 as compared to 98.53 percent at December 31, 2022.

Nonaccrual loans as of September 30, 2023 were \$6,749, a decrease of \$2,969 as compared to \$9,718 at December 31, 2022. This decrease is primarily related to the process of working through the high risk assets by payments and foreclosure.

As of September 30, 2023, the association has properties classed as Other Property Owned totaling \$83. Through September of 2023 there has been a write down of \$16 and sales of \$95. There is no other activity to report regarding the Association Other Property Owned.

The Association maintains an allowance for loan losses at a level considered sufficient to absorb possible losses within the loan portfolio based on current and expected future conditions. The Association increases the allowance by providing a provision for loan losses in the income statement. Loan losses are recorded against and serve to decrease the allowance when management determines that any portion of a loan is uncollectible. Any subsequent recoveries are added to the allowance. The CECL Committee, which is comprised of Seniour executive management; CEO, CFO, and CCO meet quarterly to evaluate the adequacy of the allowance account. The evaluation considers factors which include, among many other things, loan loss experience, portfolio quality, loan portfolio composition, current agricultural production conditions, and general economic conditions.

After review, the CECL Committee determined the allowance account was sufficient to absorb expected losses. The allowance for loan losses at September 30, 2023, was \$4,609 compared to \$4,294 as of December 31, 2022 an increase of \$4,294. The association has realized \$(33) in recoveries, \$52 in charge-offs. Due to the implementation of CECL (accounting change) the association recognized an accounting adjustment of \$43.

RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

For the three months ended September 30, 2023

At September 30, 2023, total interest income was \$10,557 an increase of \$2,438 as compared to \$8,119 for the same period in 2022. Of the \$10,557 in total interest income, \$63 was from investment securities and \$10,494 was from loans. The increase in total interest income primarily resulted from increases in average loan volume and the rise in interest rates.

Interest expense was \$5,996 an increase of \$963, as compared to \$4,033 for the same period in 2022. This increase is primarily the result of the increase in average loan volume and direct note rates.

Non-interest income for the three months ended September 30, 2023, totaled \$2,119 a decrease of \$180 as compared to \$2,299 for the same period in 2022. The decrease is primarily related to decreases of \$49 in Patronage Refunds and \$93 in loan fees.

Non-interest expense for the three months ended September 30, 2023 totaled \$2,881, an increase of \$15 as compared to \$2,866 for the same period in 2022. The increase is primarily due to increases of \$168 in Salary and Benefits.

Net income for the three months ended September 30, 2023, totaled \$3,799, an increase of \$280 as compared to \$3,519 for the same period in 2022.

For the nine months ended September 30, 2023

At September 30, 2023, total interest income was \$30,044 an increase of \$8,276 as compared to \$21,768 for the same period in 2022. Of the \$30,044 in total interest income \$192 was from investment securities and \$29,852 was from loans. The increase in total interest income is primarily related to the increase in average loan volume and the rise in interest rates.

Interest expense was \$16,454, an increase of \$6,509 as compared to \$9,945 for the same period in 2022. This increase is primarily the result of the increase in average loan volume and direct note rates.

Non-interest income for the nine months ended September 30, 2023, totaled \$6,245, a decrease of \$718 as compared to \$6,963 for the same period in 2022. The decrease is primarily attributed to decreases in Patronage Income of \$426, and Loan Fees of \$195.

Non-interest expense for the nine months ended September 30, 2023 totaled \$9,110, an increase of \$495 as compared to \$8,615 for the same period in 2022. The increase is primarily due to increases of \$538 in Salary and Benefits, \$43 in Occupancy and Equipment.

Net income for the nine months ended September 30, 2023, totaled \$10,218, an increase of \$47 as compared to \$10,171 for the same period in 2022.

FUNDING SOURCES

The principal source of funds for the Association is the borrowing relationship established with the Bank through a General Financing Agreement. The General Financing Agreement utilizes the Association's credit and fiscal performance as criteria for establishing a line of credit on which the Association may draw funds. The funds are advanced by the Bank to the Association in the form of notes payable. The notes payable are segmented into variable rate and fixed rate sections. 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. The total notes payable to the Bank at September 30, 2023, was \$593,889, an increase of \$8,751 as compared to \$585,138 at December 31, 2022. The increase is primarily the result of the increases in average loan volume and direct note rates. The Association has no lines of credit with third parties as of September 30, 2023.

CAPITAL RESOURCES

Total members' equity at September 30, 2023, increased \$10,686 to \$131,264 from the December 31, 2022 total of \$120,578. Total capital stock and participation certificates were \$1,561 as of September 30, 2023, which compares to the \$1,605 balance at December 31, 2022.

The System's capital requirements are comparable to the Basel III framework and the standardized approach that the federal banking regulatory agencies have adopted. The Regulations require minimum set point for common equity tier 1 (CET1), tier 1 capital, and total capital risk-based capital ratios. Regulations also include a tier 1 leverage ratio, an unallocated retained earnings equivalents (UREE) leverage ratio and the permanent capital ratio (PCR).

Risk-adjusted assets have been defined by FCA Regulations as the balance sheet assets and off-balance-sheet commitments adjusted by various percentages, depending on the level of risk inherent in the various types of assets. The primary changes which generally have the effect of increasing risk-adjusted assets (decreasing risk-based regulatory capital ratios) were as follows:

- Inclusion of off-balance-sheet commitments less than 14 months
- Increased risk-weighting of most loans 90 days past due or in nonaccrual status

FCA sets minimum regulatory capital requirements for System banks and associations. Capital adequacy is evaluated using a number of regulatory ratios. According to the FCA regulations, each institution's permanent capital ratio is calculated by dividing permanent capital by a risk-adjusted asset base. Risk adjusted assets means the total dollar amount of the institution's assets are adjusted by an appropriate credit conversion factor as defined by regulation. For all periods represented, the Association exceeded minimum regulatory standard for all the ratios.

The following sets forth the regulatory capital ratios:

Ratio	Minimum Requirement	Capital Conservation Buffer*	Minimum Requirement with Capital Conservation Buffer	Capital Ratios as of September 30, 2023
Risk-adjusted ratios:				
CET1 Capital	4.5%	1.875%	6.38%	16.71%
Tier 1 Capital	6.0%	1.875%	7.88%	16.71%
Total Capital	8.0%	1.875%	9.88%	17.41%
Permanent Capital Ratio	7.0%	0.0%	7.00%	16.83%
Non-risk-adjusted:				
Tier 1 Leverage Ratio	4.0%	1.0%	5.00%	15.65%
UREE Leverage Ratio	1.5%	0.0%	1.50%	15.42%

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.

CLIMATE CHANGE

Agricultural production is and always has been vulnerable to weather events and climate change. The USDA has recognized that the changing climate presents threats to U.S. and global agricultural production and rural communities. The impact of climate change including its effect on weather is, and will continue to be, a challenge for agricultural producers. Among the risks of climate change are:

- rising average temperatures,
- more frequent and severe storms,
- more forest fires, and
- extremes in flooding and droughts.

However, risks associated with climate change are mitigated, to some degree, by U.S. agricultural producers' ability to navigate changing industry dynamics from numerous perspectives, including trade, government policy, consumer preferences and weather. Producers regularly adopt new technologies, agronomic practices and financial strategies in response to evolving trends to ensure their competitiveness.

REGULATORY MATTERS

On October 12, 2023, the Farm Credit Administration approved a final rule governing the Farm Credit System's service to young, beginning, and small (YBS) farmers and ranchers. The rule requires banks that fund the direct-lender associations to annually review and approve the association YBS programs. The rule also requires direct-lender associations to enhance the strategic plan of its YBS program. The strategic plan must contain specific elements that will be evaluated as part of a rating system to measure year-over-year internal progress, which would allow the Farm Credit Administration to compare the success of the direct-lender' association's YBS program. The final rule becomes effective on February 1, 2024.

On October 5, 2023, the Farm Credit Administration approved a final rule on cyber risk management that requires each System institution to develop and implement a comprehensive, written cyber risk management program. Each institution's cyber risk plan must require the institution to take the actions to assess internal and external risk factors, identify potential system and software vulnerabilities, establish a risk management program for the risks identified, develop a cyber risk training program, set policies for managing third-party relationships, maintain robust internal controls and establish board reporting requirements. The final rule will become effective on January 1, 2025.

On April 14, 2022, the FCA approved a final rule that amends certain regulations to address changes in accounting principles generally accepted in the United States. Such changes reflect the Current Expected Credit Losses (CECL) methodology that replaced the incurred loss methodology upon adoption. Credit loss allowances related to loans, lessor's net investments in leases, and held-to-maturity debt securities are included in a System institution's Tier 2 capital up to 1.25 percent of the System institution's total risk weighted assets. Credit loss allowances for available-for-sale debt securities and purchased credit impaired assets are not eligible for inclusion in a System institution's Tier 2 capital. The regulation did not include a transition phase-in period for the CECL day 1 cumulative effect adjustment to retained earnings on a System institution's regulatory capital ratios. In addition, the regulation did not include an exclusion for the CECL day 1 cumulative effective adjustment from the "safe harbor" deemed prior approval provision for distributions. The rule became effective on January 1, 2023.

On August 26, 2021, the FCA issued a proposed rule to revise its regulatory capital requirements to define and establish risk-weightings for High Volatility Commercial Real Estate (HVCRE) by assigning a 150 percent risk-weighting to such exposures, instead of the current 100 percent. The proposed rule would ensure that the FCA's rule remains comparable with the capital rule of other federal banking regulatory agencies and recognizes the increased risk posed by HVCRE exposures. The public comment period ended on January 24, 2022.

RECENTLY ISSUED ACCOUNTING PRONOUNCEMENTS

Please refer to Note 1, Organization, Significant Accounting Policies, and Recently Issued Accounting Pronouncements, in the Notes to the Financial Statements, and the 2022 Annual Report to Shareholders for recently adopted accounting pronouncements.

There were no ASUs issued by the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) during the quarter that impacted the Association's Financial Statements.

NOTE: Shareholder investment in the Association is materially affected by the financial condition and results of operations of AgFirst Farm Credit Bank. Copies of AgFirst's annual and quarterly reports are available upon request free of charge by calling 1-800-845-1745, ext. 2764, or writing Matthew Miller, AgFirst Farm Credit Bank, P.O. Box 1499, Columbia, SC 29202. Information concerning AgFirst Farm Credit Bank can also be obtained at their website, *www.agfirst.com*. Copies of the Association's annual and quarterly reports are also available upon request free of charge by calling 1-229-246-0384 or 1-866-304-3276, writing Belinda Ott, Treasurer, Southwest Georgia Farm Credit, ACA, 305 Colquitt Highway, Bainbridge, Georgia 39817 or accessing the website, *www.swgafarmcredit.com*. The Association prepares a quarterly report 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.

Consolidated Balance Sheets

(dollars in thousands)	Sep	De	cember 31, 2022	
	(u	naudited)		(audited)
Assets				_
Cash	\$	2	\$	2
Investments in debt securities:				
Held to maturity (fair value of \$3,860 and \$4,061, respectively)		4,082		4,231
Loans		696,063		686,295
Allowance for loan losses		(4,609)		(4,294)
Net loans		691,454		682,001
Accrued interest receivable		10,970		9,277
Equity investments in other Farm Credit institutions		15,413		15,432
Premises and equipment, net		3,138		3,217
Other property owned		83		77
Accounts receivable		5,800		8,304
Other assets		299		253
Total assets	\$	731,241	\$	722,794
Liabilities				
Notes payable to AgFirst Farm Credit Bank	\$	593,889	\$	585,138
Accrued interest payable		2,014		1,698
Patronage refunds payable		62		6,876
Accounts payable		1,192		1,233
Other liabilities		2,820		7,271
Total liabilities		599,977		602,216
Commitments and contingencies (Note 7)				
Members' Equity				
Capital stock and participation certificates		1,561		1,605
Retained earnings				
Allocated		9,707		9,707
Unallocated		119,996		109,266
Total members' equity		131,264		120,578
Total liabilities and members' equity	\$	731,241	\$	722,794

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

Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income

(unaudited)

(dollars in thousands)		r the Thr ided Sept		For the Nine Months Ended September 30, 2023 2022					
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Interest Income			_						
Loans	\$ 10	0,494	\$	8,053	\$	29,852	\$	21,569	
Investments		63		66		192		199	
Total interest income	10	0,557		8,119		30,044		21,768	
Interest Expense									
Notes payable to AgFirst Farm Credit Bank		5,996		4,033		16,454		9,945	
Net interest income	4	4,561		4,086		13,590		11,823	
Provision for credit losses						522			
Net interest income after provision for credit losses		4,561		4,086		13,068		11,823	
Noninterest Income									
Loan fees		76		169		567		762	
Fees for financially related services		8		17		8		18	
Patronage refunds from other Farm Credit institutions	2	2,040		2,089		5,678		6,104	
Gains (losses) on sales of premises and equipment, net		(5)		24		(5)		19	
Gains (losses) on other transactions				_		(5)		26	
Other noninterest income						2		34	
Total noninterest income		2,119		2,299		6,245		6,963	
Noninterest Expense									
Salaries and employee benefits	1	1,878		1,710		5,746		5,208	
Occupancy and equipment		135		132		404		361	
Insurance Fund premiums		258		276		760		773	
Purchased services		125		204		552		598	
Data processing		27		34		87		89	
Other operating expenses		466		513		1,551		1,553	
(Gains) losses on other property owned, net		(8)		(3)		10		33	
Total noninterest expense		2,881		2,866		9,110		8,615	
Income before income taxes		3,799		3,519		10,203		10,171	
Provision (benefit) for income taxes						(15)			
Net income	\$ 3	3,799	\$	3,519	\$	10,218	\$	10,171	
Other comprehensive income				_		_			
Comprehensive income	\$ 3	3,799	\$	3,519	\$	10,218	\$	10,171	

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

Consolidated Statements of Changes in Members' Equity

(unaudited)

	Sto	apital ock and		Retained	Total Members' Equity			
(dollars in thousands)	Participation Certificates			llocated			Uı	nallocated
Balance at December 31, 2021	\$	1,616	\$	9,707	\$	99,759	\$	111,082
Comprehensive income						10,171		10,171
Capital stock/participation								
certificates issued/(retired), net		(42)						(42)
Patronage distribution adjustment						(1,072)		(1,072)
Balance at September 30, 2022	\$	1,574	\$	9,707	\$	108,858	\$	120,139
Balance at December 31, 2022	\$	1,605	\$	9,707	\$	109,266	\$	120,578
Cumulative effect of change in								
accounting principle						452		452
Comprehensive income						10,218		10,218
Capital stock/participation								
certificates issued/(retired), net		(44)						(44)
Patronage distribution adjustment						60		60
Balance at September 30, 2023	\$	1,561	\$	9,707	\$	119,996	\$	131,264

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

Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements

(dollars in thousands, except as noted)
(unaudited)

Note 1 — Organization, Significant Accounting Policies, and Recently Issued Accounting Pronouncements

Organization

The accompanying financial statements include the accounts of Southwest Georgia Farm Credit, ACA and its Production Credit Association (PCA) and Federal Land Credit Association (FLCA) subsidiaries (collectively, the Association). Descriptions of the organization and operations, the significant accounting policies followed, and the financial condition and results of operations for the Association as of and for the year ended December 31, 2022, are contained in the 2022 Annual Report to Shareholders. These unaudited interim consolidated financial statements should be read in conjunction with the latest Annual Report to Shareholders.

Basis of Presentation

In the opinion of management, the accompanying consolidated financial statements contain all adjustments necessary for a fair statement of results for the periods presented. These adjustments are of a normal recurring nature, unless otherwise disclosed.

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

The results of any interim period are not necessarily indicative of those to be expected for a full year.

Significant Accounting Policies

The Association's accounting and reporting policies conform with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) and practices in the financial services industry. To prepare the financial statements in conformity with GAAP, management must make estimates based on assumptions about future economic and market conditions (for example, unemployment, market liquidity, real estate prices, etc.) that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements, income and expenses during the reporting period, and the related disclosures. Although these estimates contemplate current conditions and expectations of change in the future, it is reasonably possible that actual conditions may be different than anticipated, which could materially affect results of operations and financial condition.

Management has made significant estimates in several areas, including loans and allowance for credit losses (Note 2, *Loans and Allowance for Credit Losses*) and financial instruments (Note 5, *Fair Value Measurement*). Actual results could differ from those estimates.

For further details of significant accounting policies, see Note 2, *Summary of Significant Accounting Policies*, from the latest Annual Report.

Accounting Standards Effective During the Period

The Association adopted the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) guidance entitled "Measurement of Credit Losses on Financial Instruments" and other subsequently issued accounting standards updates related to credit losses on January 1, 2023. This guidance replaced the current incurred loss impairment methodology with a single allowance framework for financial assets that estimates the current expected credit losses (CECL) over the remaining contractual life for all financial assets measured at amortized cost and certain off-balance sheet credit exposures. This guidance is applied on a modified retrospective basis. This framework requires management to consider in its estimate of the allowance for credit losses (ACL) relevant historical events, current conditions and reasonable and supportable forecasts that consider macroeconomic conditions. In addition, the guidance amends existing impairment guidance for held-to-maturity and available-for-sale investments to incorporate an allowance for credit losses related to these securities, which will allow for the reversal of credit impairments in the event that the credit of an issuer improves.

Also adopted effective January 1, 2023, was the updated guidance entitled "Financial Instruments – Credit Losses: Troubled Debt Restructurings and Vintage Disclosure." This guidance requires the creditor to determine whether a modification results in a new loan or a continuation of an existing loan, among other disclosures specific to modifications with borrowers that are experiencing financial difficulties. The update eliminated the accounting guidance for troubled debt restructurings by creditors. The update also requires

disclosure of current period gross write-offs by year of origination for financing receivables and net investments in leases on a prospective basis.

The following table presents the impact to the allowance for credit losses and retained earnings upon adoption of this guidance on January 1, 2023:

	Dec	ember 31, 2022	CECI	Adoption Impact	Jai	nuary 1, 2023
Assets: Allowance for loan losses	\$	4.294	s	(43)	\$	4.251
Liabilities:	ø.	-,	¢.	(-)	φ e	, -
Allowance for credit losses on unfunded commitments Retained earnings:	2	655	\$	(409)	2	246
Unallocated retained earnings	\$	109,266	\$	452	\$	109,718

As more fully described in the 2022 Annual Report, the Association may hold additional investments in accordance with other investment programs approved by the Farm Credit Administration (FCA). These programs allow the institution to make investments that further the mission to support rural America. Upon adoption of CECL guidance, the investments held-to-maturity are presented net of an allowance for credit losses on investments. As part of the Association's implementation of the standard, it was determined that there would not be a material impact to the Association's investment portfolio and as a result, there was no ACL on investments recorded.

Loans and Allowance for Credit Losses

Loans are recorded at amortized cost basis, which is the principal amount outstanding adjusted for charge-offs, deferred loan fees or costs, and valuation adjustments relating to hedging activities, if any. Loan origination fees and direct loan origination costs are netted and capitalized and the net fee or cost is amortized over the average life of the related loan as an adjustment to interest income. Loan prepayment fees are reported in interest income. Interest on loans is accrued and credited to interest income based on the daily principal amount outstanding.

Nonaccrual Loans

Nonaccrual loans are loans for which there is reasonable doubt that all principal and interest will be collected according to the original contractual terms and are generally considered substandard or doubtful, which is in accordance with the loan rating model, as described below. 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 shall remain contractually past due until it is modified or 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.

Consistent with prior practice, loans are generally placed in nonaccrual status when principal or interest is delinquent for 90 days (unless adequately secured and in the process of collection), circumstances indicate that collection of principal and interest is in doubt or legal action, including foreclosure or other forms of collateral conveyance, has been initiated to collect the outstanding principal and interest. At the time a loan is placed in nonaccrual status, accrued interest that is considered uncollectible is reversed (if accrued in the current year) or charged against the ACL (if accrued in prior years). Loans are charged-off at the time they are determined to be uncollectible.

When loans are in nonaccrual status, interest payments received in cash are generally recognized as interest income if the collectability of the loan principal is fully expected and certain other criteria are met. Otherwise, payments received on nonaccrual loans are applied against the recorded investment in the loan asset. Nonaccrual loans are returned to accrual status if all contractual principal and interest is current, the borrower is fully expected to fulfill the contractual repayment terms and after remaining current as to principal and interest for a sustained period or have a recent repayment pattern demonstrating future repayment capacity to make on-time payments. If previously unrecognized interest income exists at the time the loan is transferred to accrual status, cash received at the time of or subsequent to the transfer should first be recorded as interest income until such time as the recorded balance equals the contractual indebtedness of the borrower.

Accrued Interest Receivable

The Association adopted the practical expedient to classify accrued interest on loans and investment securities in accrued interest receivable and not as part of loans or investments on the Consolidated Balance Sheets. The Association also elected to not estimate an allowance on interest receivable balances because the nonaccrual policies in place provide for the accrual of interest to cease on a timely basis when all contractual amounts are not expected.

Loan Modifications to Borrowers Experiencing Financial Difficulty

Loan modifications may be granted to borrowers experiencing financial difficulty. Modifications can be in the form of one or a combination of principal forgiveness, interest rate reduction, other-than-insignificant payment delay or a term extension. Covenant waivers and modifications of contingent acceleration clauses are not considered term extensions.

Collateral Dependent Loans

Collateral dependent loans are loans secured by collateral, including but not limited to agricultural real estate, crop inventory, equipment and livestock. CECL requires an entity to measure the expected credit losses based on fair value of the collateral at the reporting date when the entity determines that foreclosure is probable. Additionally, the Association adopted the fair value practical expedient as a measurement approach for loans when the repayment is expected to be provided substantially through the operation or sale of the collateral when the borrower is experiencing financial difficulties. Under the practical expedient measurement approach, the expected credit loss is based on the difference between the fair value of the collateral less estimated costs to sell and the amortized cost basis of the loan.

Allowance for Credit Losses

Beginning January 1, 2023, the ACL represents the estimated current expected credit losses over the remaining contractual life of financial assets measured at amortized cost and certain off-balance sheet credit exposures. The ACL takes into consideration relevant information about past events, current conditions and reasonable and supportable macroeconomic forecasts of future conditions. The contractual term excludes expected extensions, renewals and modifications unless the extension or renewal options are not unconditionally cancellable. The ACL comprises:

- · the allowance for loan losses
- · the allowance for unfunded commitments, which is presented on the Consolidated Balance Sheets in Other Liabilities, and
- the allowance for credit losses on investment securities, which covers held-to-maturity and available-for-sale securities and is recognized within each investment securities classification on the Consolidated Balance Sheets.

Determining the appropriateness of the allowance is complex and requires judgment by management about the effect of matters that are inherently uncertain. Subsequent evaluations of the loan portfolio, considering macroeconomic conditions, forecasts and other factors prevailing at the time, may result in significant changes in the ACL in those future periods.

Methodology for Allowance for Credit Losses on Loans

The allowance for loan losses represents management's estimate of credit losses over the remaining expected life of loans. Loans are evaluated on the amortized cost basis, including premiums, discounts, and fair value hedge accounting adjustments.

The Association employs a disciplined process and methodology to establish its allowance for loan losses that has two basic components: first, an asset-specific component involving individual loans that do not share risk characteristics with other loans and the measurement of expected credit losses for such individual loans; and second, a pooled component for estimated expected credit losses for pools of loans that share similar risk characteristics.

Asset-specific loans are generally collateral-dependent loans (including those loans for which foreclosure is probable) and nonaccrual loans. For an asset-specific loan, expected credit losses are measured as the difference between the amortized cost basis in the loan and the present value of expected future cash flows discounted at the loan's effective interest rate except that, for collateral-dependent loans, credit loss is measured as the difference between the amortized cost basis in the loan and the fair value of the underlying collateral. The fair value of the collateral is adjusted for the estimated cost to sell if repayment or satisfaction of a loan is dependent on the sale (rather than only on the operation) of the collateral. In accordance with the Association's appraisal policy, the fair value of collateral-dependent loans is based upon independent third-party appraisals or on collateral valuations prepared by in-house appraisers. When an updated appraisal or collateral valuation is received, management reassesses the need for adjustments to the loan's expected credit loss measurements and, where appropriate, records an adjustment. If the calculated expected credit loss is determined to be permanent, fixed, or non-recoverable, the credit loss portion of the loan will be charged off against the ACL.

In estimating the component of the allowance for loan losses that relates to loans that share common risk characteristics, loans are evaluated collectively and segregated into loan pools considering the risk associated with the specific pool. Relevant risk characteristics include loan type, commodity, credit quality rating, delinquency category or business segment or a combination of these classes. The allowance is determined based on a quantitative calculation of the expected life-of-loan loss percentage for each loan category by

considering the probability of default, based on the migration of loans from performing to loss by credit quality rating or delinquency buckets using historical life-of-loan analysis periods for loan types, and the severity of loss, based on the aggregate net lifetime losses incurred per loan pool.

The component of the allowance for loan losses also considers factors for each loan pool to adjust for differences between the historical period used to calculate historical default and loss severity rates and expected conditions over the remaining lives of the loans in the portfolio related to:

- · lending policies and procedures;
- national, regional and local economic business conditions and developments that affect the collectability of the portfolio, including the condition of various markets;
- the nature of the loan portfolio, including the terms of the loans;
- the experience, ability and depth of the lending management and other relevant staff;
- the volume and severity of past due and adversely classified or graded loans and the volume of nonaccrual loans;
- the quality of the loan review and process;
- the value of underlying collateral for collateral-dependent loans;
- the existence and effect of any concentrations of credit and changes in the level of such concentrations; and
- the effect of external factors such as competition and legal and regulatory requirements on the level of estimated credit losses in the
 existing portfolio.

The Association's macroeconomic forecast includes a weighted selection of the Moody's baseline, upside 10th percent and downside 90th percent over reasonable and supportable forecast periods of three years. Subsequent to the forecast period, the Association reverts to long run historical loss experience beyond two years gradually after the determined forecast horizon using a transition function to inform the estimate of losses for the remaining contractual life of the loan portfolio.

The economic forecasts incorporate macroeconomic variables, including unemployment rates, Dow Jones Total Stock Market Index, and corporate bond spreads. Also considered are loan and borrower characteristics, such as internal risk ratings, delinquency status, collateral type, and the remaining term of the loan, adjusted for expected prepayments.

In addition to the quantitative calculation, the Association considers the imprecision inherent in the process and methodology, emerging risk assessments and other subjective factors, which may lead to a management adjustment to the modeled allowance for loan loss results. Expected credit loss estimates also include consideration of expected cash recoveries on loans previously charged-off or expected recoveries on collateral dependent loans where recovery is expected through sale of the collateral. The economic forecasts are updated on a quarterly basis.

Prior to January 1, 2023, the allowance for loan losses was maintained at a level considered adequate to provide for probable losses existing in and inherent in the loan portfolio. The allowance was based on a periodic evaluation of the loan portfolio in which numerous factors were considered, including economic conditions, collateral values, borrowers' financial conditions, loan portfolio composition and prior loan loss experience. The allowance for loan losses encompassed various judgments, evaluations, and appraisals with respect to the loans and their underlying collateral that, by their nature, contain elements of uncertainty and imprecision. Changes in the agricultural economy and their impact on borrower repayment capacity would cause these various judgments, evaluations and appraisals to change over time. Management considered a number of factors in determining and supporting the levels of the allowance for loan losses, which included, but were not limited to, the concentration of lending in agriculture, combined with uncertainties associated with farmland values, commodity prices, exports, government assistance programs, regional economic effects and weather-related influences.

Allowance for Credit Losses on Unfunded Commitments

The Association evaluates the need for an allowance for credit losses on unfunded commitments under CECL and, if required, an amount is recognized and included in Other Liabilities on the Consolidated Balance Sheets. The amount of expected losses is determined by calculating a commitment usage factor over the contractual period for exposures that are not unconditionally cancellable by the Association and applying the loss factors used in the allowance for loan losses methodology to the results of the usage calculation. No allowance for credit losses is recorded for commitments that are unconditionally cancellable.

Note 2 — Loans and Allowance for Credit Losses

A summary of loans outstanding at period end follows:

	September 30, 2023	December 31, 2022
Real estate mortgage	\$ 381,369	\$ 381,961
Production and intermediate-term	176,826	173,371
Agribusiness:		
Loans to cooperatives	2,148	1,761
Processing and marketing	82,947	81,454
Farm-related business	25,376	25,926
Rural infrastructure:		
Communication	13,539	10,162
Power and water/waste disposal	6,675	4,238
Rural residential real estate	2,716	2,567
Other:		
International	2,288	2,713
Lease receivables	2,179	2,142
Total loans	\$ 696,063	\$ 686,295

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

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:

September 30, 2023 Within Farm Credit System Outside Farm Credit System Total Within AgFirst District Participations Participations Participations Participations Participations **Participations Participations** Purchased Sold Purchased Sold Purchased Sold Purchased Sold Real estate mortgage 33,473 111,897 33,473 111,897 44,739 Production and intermediate-term 24,941 24,941 44,739 Agribusiness 51,917 85,443 46,024 808 97,941 86,251 Rural infrastructure 20,314 20,314 2,293 2,180 4,473 Other 242,079 132,938 48,204 808 \$ 181,142 \$ 242,887 Total

								December	· 31,	2022							
		Within AgF	irst	District	Within Farm Credit System					Outside Farm Credit System				Total			
	Pa	rticipations	Pa	rticipations	Par	ticipations	Par	ticipations	Par	ticipations	Par	ticipations	Par	ticipations	Par	ticipations	
	P	Purchased		Sold	Pı	urchased		Sold	Pı	urchased		Sold	P	urchased		Sold	
Real estate mortgage	\$	36,324	\$	98,977	\$	_	\$	-	\$	-	\$	_	\$	36,324	\$	98,977	
Production and intermediate-term		22,976		60,274		_		_		_		_		22,976		60,274	
Agribusiness		45,611		99,205		35,321		913		9,999		_		90,931		100,118	
Rural infrastructure		14,507		_		_		_		_		_		14,507		_	
Other		2,718		_		2,143		_		_		_		4,861		_	
Total	\$	122,136	\$	258,456	\$	37,464	\$	913	\$	9,999	\$	_	\$	169,599	\$	259,369	

The following table shows loans, classified under the FCA Uniform Loan Classification System, as a percentage of total loans by loan type as of:

	September 30, 2023	December 31, 2022*
Real estate mortgage:		
Acceptable	98.11%	98.73%
OAEM	1.41	0.88
Substandard/doubtful/loss	0.48	0.39
	100.00%	100.00%
Production and intermediate-term:		
Acceptable	93.18%	94.60%
OAEM	3.54	2.19
Substandard/doubtful/loss	3.28	3.21
	100.00%	100.00%
Agribusiness:		
Acceptable	92.51%	91.05%
OAEM	6.40	6.42
Substandard/doubtful/loss	1.09	2.53
	100.00%	100.00%
Rural infrastructure:		
Acceptable	94.34%	100.00%
OAEM	5.66	_
Substandard/doubtful/loss	_	_
	100.00%	100.00%
Rural residential real estate:		
Acceptable	93.07%	90.93%
OAEM	_	_
Substandard/doubtful/loss	6.93	9.07
	100.00%	100.00%
Other:		_
Acceptable	100.00%	100.00%
OAEM	-	_
Substandard/doubtful/loss	100.00%	100.00%
	100.00%	100.0076
Total loans:		
Acceptable	95.86%	96.47%
OAEM	2.85	2.06
Substandard/doubtful/loss	1.29	1.47
	100.00%	100.00%

^{*}Prior to adoption of CECL on January 1, 2023, loans were presented with accrued interest receivable.

Accrued interest receivable on loans of \$10,898 and \$9,244 at September 30, 2023 and December 31, 2022, respectively, has been excluded from the amortized cost of loans and reported separately in the Consolidated Balance Sheets.

The following table provides an aging analysis of past due loans as of:

					Septe	embei	r 30, 2023				
	8	Through 89 Days Past Due	Days or fore Past Due	Т	otal Past Due	01	ot Past Due Less Than Days Past Due	Т	otal Loans	Mor	Days or re Past Due Accruing
Real estate mortgage	\$	1,210	\$ 657	\$	1,867	\$	379,502	\$	381,369	\$	_
Production and intermediate-term		303	588		891		175,935		176,826		_
Agribusiness		_	_		_		110,471		110,471		_
Rural infrastructure		_	_		_		20,214		20,214		_
Rural residential real estate		203	_		203		2,513		2,716		_
Other		_	_		_		4,467		4,467		_
Total	\$	1,716	\$ 1,245	\$	2,961	\$	693,102	\$	696,063	\$	_

Prior to the adoption of CECL, the aging analysis of past due loans reported included accrued interest as follows:

					Dece	ember	31, 2022				
	:	Through 89 Days Past Due) Days or Iore Past Due	Т	otal Past Due	01	ot Past Due Less Than Days Past Due	1	Total Loans	Moı	Days or e Past Due Accruing
Real estate mortgage	\$	459	\$ 555	\$	1,014	\$	385,920	\$	386,934	\$	_
Production and intermediate-term		929	1,541		2,470		174,367		176,837		_
Agribusiness		756	1,999		2,755		107,105		109,860		_
Rural infrastructure		_	_		_		14,448		14,448		_
Rural residential real estate		_	140		140		2,434		2,574		_
Other		_	_		_		4,886		4,886		_
Total	\$	2,144	\$ 4,235	\$	6,379	\$	689,160	\$	695,539	\$	_

The following tables reflect nonperforming assets and related credit quality statistics as of:

	Septe	ember 30, 2023
Nonaccrual loans:		
Real estate mortgage	\$	2,317
Production and intermediate-term		3,101
Agribusiness		1,206
Rural residential real estate		125
Total	\$	6,749
Accruing loans 90 days or more past due:		
Total	\$	_
Total nonperforming loans	\$	6,749
Other property owned		83
Total nonperforming assets	\$	6,832
Nonaccrual loans as a percentage of total loans		0.97%
Nonperforming assets as a percentage of total		
loans and other property owned		0.98%
Nonperforming assets as a percentage of capital		5.20%

	Dece	mber 31, 2022*
Nonaccrual loans:		
Real estate mortgage	\$	2,827
Production and intermediate-term		3,972
Agribusiness		2,778
Rural residential real estate		141
Total	\$	9,718
Accruing restructured loans:		
Real estate mortgage	\$	1,130
Rural residential real estate		93
Total	\$	1,223
Accruing loans 90 days or more past due:		
Total	\$	
Total nonperforming loans	\$	10,941
Other property owned		77
Total nonperforming assets	\$	11,018
Nonaccrual loans as a percentage of total loans Nonperforming assets as a percentage of total		1.42%
loans and other property owned		1.61%
Nonperforming assets as a percentage of capital		9.14%

^{*}Prior to adoption of CECL, nonperforming assets included accruing restructured loans and loans were presented including accrued interest receivable.

The following table provides the amortized cost for nonaccrual loans, with and without a related allowance for loan losses, and interest income recognized on nonaccrual loans during the period:

		Se	ptei	mber 30, 2	023			ognized on oans			
Nonaccrual loans:	C	Amortized Cost with Allowance		Amortized Cost without Allowance		Total		Three Months Ended September 30, 2023			Nine Months Ended September 30, 2023
Real estate mortgage	\$	_	\$	2,317	\$	2,317	9	\$	8	\$	34
Production and intermediate-term		564		2,537		3,101			10		45
Agribusiness		_		1,206		1,206			4		17
Rural residential real estate		_		125		125			_		2
Total	\$	564	\$	6,185	\$	6,749	9	\$	22	\$	98

Effective January 1, 2023, the Association adopted the CECL accounting guidance as described in Note 1. A summary of changes in the allowance for credit losses by portfolio segment is as follows:

	ıl Estate ortgage	oduction and itermediate- term	A	gribusiness	Ir	Rural ıfrastructure	Rural esidential eal Estate	Other	Total
Allowance for Loan Losses:									
Balance at June 30, 2023	\$ 2,133	\$ 1,760	\$	754	\$	46	\$ 15 \$	55	\$ 4,763
Charge-offs	-	(52)		_		-	-	_	(52)
Recoveries	_	19		_		-	-	_	19
Provision for loan losses	(8)	(219)		110		24	(15)	(13)	(121)
Balance at September 30, 2023	\$ 2,125	\$ 1,508	\$	864	\$	70	\$ - \$	42	\$ 4,609
Allowance for Unfunded Commitments:									
Balance at June 30, 2023	\$ 5	\$ 104	\$	157	\$	-	\$ - \$	3	\$ 269
Provision for unfunded commitments	7	129		(32)		11	-	6	121
Balance at September 30, 2023	\$ 12	\$ 233	\$	125	\$	11	\$ - \$	9	\$ 390
Total allowance for credit losses	\$ 2,137	\$ 1,741	\$	989	\$	81	\$ - \$	51	\$ 4,999
Allowance for Loan Losses:									
Balance at December 31, 2022	\$ 2,401	\$ 1,086	\$	671	\$	91	\$ 15 \$	30	\$ 4,294
Cumulative effect of a change in accounting principle	(274)	218		34		(54)	(4)	37	(43)
Balance at January 1, 2023	\$ 2,127	\$ 1,304	\$	705	\$	37	\$ 11 \$	67	\$ 4,251
Charge-offs	-	(52)		_		-	-	_	(52)
Recoveries	4	28		_		_	-	_	32
Provision for loan losses	 (6)	228		159		33	(11)	(25)	378
Balance at September 30, 2023	\$ 2,125	\$ 1,508	\$	864	\$	70	\$ - \$	42	\$ 4,609
Allowance for Unfunded Commitments:									
Balance at December 31, 2022	\$ 26	\$ 418	\$	196	\$	3	\$ - \$	12	\$ 655
Cumulative effect of a change in accounting principle	(18)	(314)		(65)		(3)	-	(9)	(409)
Balance at January 1, 2023	\$ 8	\$ 104	\$	131	\$	=	\$ - \$	3	\$ 246
Provision for unfunded commitments	 4	129		(6)		11	-	6	144
Balance at September 30, 2023	\$ 12	\$ 233	\$	125	\$	11	\$ - \$	9	\$ 390
Total allowance for credit losses	\$ 2,137	\$ 1,741	\$	989	\$	81	\$ - \$	51	\$ 4,999
Allowance for Loan Losses*:									
Balance at June 30, 2022	\$ 2,650	\$ 1,180	\$	661	\$	67	\$ 18 \$	33	\$ 4,609
Charge-offs	11	(1)		_		-	-	_	10
Recoveries	-	15		_		=	-	_	15
Provision for loan losses	 (131)	52		59		5	(1)	16	
Balance at September 30, 2022	\$ 2,530	\$ 1,246	\$	720	\$	72	\$ 17 \$	49	\$ 4,634
Balance at December 31, 2021	\$ 2,732	\$ 1,222	\$	593	\$	21	\$ 20 \$	34	\$ 4,622
Charge-offs	(26)	(11)		(9)		-	-	_	(46)
Recoveries	13	45		_		_	-	-	58
Provision for loan losses	(189)	(10)		136		51	(3)	15	<u> </u>
Balance at September 30, 2022	\$ 2,530	\$ 1,246	\$	720	\$	72	\$ 17 \$	49	\$ 4,634

^{*}For periods prior to January 1, 2023, the allowance for loan losses was based on probable and estimable losses inherent in the loan portfolio.

Loan modifications may be granted to borrowers experiencing financial difficulty. Qualifying disclosable modifications are one, or a combination of, principal forgiveness, interest rate reduction, or a term or payment extension. Covenant waivers and modifications of contingent acceleration clauses are not considered term extensions. Modified loans to borrowers experiencing financial difficulty and activity on these loans were not material during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023. There were no material commitments to lend to borrowers experiencing financial difficulty whose loans have been modified at September 30, 2023.

The Association had no loans held for sale at September 30, 2023 and December 31, 2022.

Troubled Debt Restructurings

Prior to the adoption of updated FASB guidance on loan modifications on January 1, 2023, a restructuring of a loan constituted a troubled debt restructuring (TDR) if the creditor for economic or legal reasons related to the borrower's financial difficulties granted a concession to the borrower that it would not otherwise consider. Concessions varied by program, were borrower-specific, and could include interest rate reductions, term extensions, payment deferrals or the acceptance of additional collateral in lieu of payments. In limited circumstances, principal may have been forgiven. When a restructured loan constituted a TDR, these loans were included within impaired loans under nonaccrual or accruing restructured loans.

The following table presents additional information regarding troubled debt restructurings that occurred during the period:

		Three M	onths l	Ended Sep	temb	er 30, 2022*		
Outstanding Recorded Investment	nterest ncessions	rincipal ncessions		Other ocessions		Total	Cl	narge-offs
Pre-modification:								
Production and intermediate-term	\$ -	\$ 37	\$	-	\$	37		
Total	\$ _	\$ 37	\$	-	\$	37		
Post-modification:								
Production and intermediate-term	\$ -	\$ 37	\$	-	\$	37	\$	_
Total	\$ _	\$ 37	\$	_	\$	37	\$	_

	Nine Months Ended September 30, 2022*										
Outstanding Recorded Investment	Interest Concessions		Principal Concessions		Other Concessions		Total		Cł	narge-offs	
Pre-modification:											
Real estate mortgage	\$	_	\$	620	\$	_	\$	620			
Production and intermediate-term		_		9,548		_		9,548			
Agribusiness		_		2,124		_		2,124			
Rural residential real estate		_		77		_		77			
Total	\$	_	\$	12,369	\$	_	\$	12,369			
Post-modification:											
Real estate mortgage	\$	_	\$	620	\$	_	\$	620	\$	(3)	
Production and intermediate-term		_		9,548		_		9,548		_	
Agribusiness		_		2,124		_		2,124		_	
Rural residential real estate		_		76		_		76		_	
Total	\$	-	\$	12,368	\$	-	\$	12,368	\$	(3)	

^{*}Prior to adoption of CECL on January 1, 2023, loans were presented with accrued interest receivable.

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.

There were no TDRs that occurred during the previous twelve months and for which there was a subsequent payment default during the periods presented. Payment default is defined as a payment that was thirty days or more past due.

The following table provides information at period end on outstanding loans restructured in troubled debt restructurings. These loans were included as impaired loans:

	 Decemb	er 31, 2022*	
	Total TDRs	Nona	accrual TDRs
Real estate mortgage	\$ 1,410	\$	280
Production and intermediate-term	1,878		1,878
Agribusiness	1,999		1,999
Rural residential real estate	 93		
Total loans	\$ 5,380	\$	4,157
Additional commitments to lend	\$ _		_

^{*}Prior to adoption of CECL on January 1, 2023, loans were presented with accrued interest receivable.

Note 3 — Investments

Investments in Debt Securities

The Association's investments consist primarily 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 new bonds purchased under the MRI program are approved on a case-by-case basis by FCA and may have different eligibility requirements. At September 30, 2023, the Association held no RABs whose credit quality had deteriorated beyond the program limits.

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

		Sej	ptember 30, 20	23	
		Gross	Gross	т.	
	Amortized Cost	Unrealized Gains	Unrealized Losses	Fair Value	Yield
Bs	\$ 4,082	\$ -	\$ (222)	\$ 3,860	6.08%

		De	cember 31, 202	22	
	Amortized Cost	Gross Unrealized Gains	Gross Unrealized Losses	Fair Value	Yield
RABs	\$ 4,231	\$ 1	\$ (171)	\$ 4,061	6.13%

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

		S	epte	mber 30, 20	23
	A	mortized Cost		Fair Value	Weighted Average Yield
In one year or less	\$	_	\$	_	-%
After one year through five years		-		_	_
After five years through ten years		_		-	_
After ten years		4,082		3,860	6.08
Total	\$	4,082	\$	3,860	6.08%

All of these investments have 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 table shows the fair value and gross unrealized losses for investments that were in a continuous unrealized loss position aggregated by investment category. A continuous unrealized loss position for an investment is measured from the date the impairment was first identified. Following the adoption of CECL on January 1, 2023, this table is no longer required for held-to-maturity securities. Therefore, there is no table presented for the current period.

	December	31, 2022	
Less	Than	12 N	Ionths
12 N	Ionths	Or C	Freater
Fair	Unrealized	Fair	Unrealized
Value	Losses	Value	Losses
\$ 2,334	\$ (171)	\$ -	\$ -

RABs

The Association evaluates investment securities with unrealized losses for impairment on a quarterly basis. As part of this assessment, it was concluded that the Association does not intend to sell the security, or it is not more likely than not that the Association would be required to sell the security prior to recovery of the amortized cost basis. The Association also evaluates whether credit impairment exists by comparing the present value of expected cash flows to the amortized cost basis of the security. Credit impairment, if any, is recorded as an ACL for debt securities. At September 30, 2023, the Association does not consider any unrealized losses to be credit-related and an allowance for credit losses is not necessary.

Equity Investments in Other Farm Credit System 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.

Associations are required to maintain ownership in AgFirst (AgFirst or 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 owned 3.74 percent of the issued stock and allocated retained earnings of the Bank as of September 30, 2023 net of any reciprocal investment. As of that date, the Bank's assets totaled \$43.4 billion and shareholders' equity totaled \$1.4 billion. The Bank's earnings were \$195 million for the first nine months of 2023. In addition, the Association held investments of \$1,120 related to other Farm Credit institutions.

Note 4 — Debt

Notes Payable to AgFirst Farm Credit Bank

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. The contractual terms of the revolving line of credit are contained in the General Financing Agreement (GFA). The GFA also defines Association performance criteria for borrowing from the Bank, which includes borrowing base margin, earnings and capital covenants, among others.

Note 5 — 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.

The classifications within the fair value hierarchy are as follows:

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

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

For a complete discussion of the inputs and other assumptions considered in assigning various assets and liabilities to the fair value hierarchy levels, see the latest Annual Report to Shareholders.

Fair values are estimated at each period end date for assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis. The following tables summarize assets measured at fair value at period end.

				Septembe	r 30	, 2023				
		Fair Value Measurement Using								
		Level 1		Level 2		Level 3		Value		
Recurring assets Assets held in trust funds	\$	275	\$	-	\$	-	\$	275		
Nonrecurring assets Nonaccrual loans Other property owned	\$ \$	- -	\$ \$	- -	\$ \$	317 87	\$ \$	317 87		

		Decembe	r 31,	2022		
	M	air Value rement Us	ing		_	Total Fair
	Level 1	Level 2		Level 3		Value
Recurring assets Assets held in trust funds	\$ 246	\$ -	\$	-	\$	246
Nonrecurring assets						
Impaired loans*	\$ _	\$ -	\$	110	\$	110
Other property owned	\$ _	\$ -	\$	82	\$	82

^{*}Prior to the adoption of CECL on January 1, 2023, the fair value of impaired loans included accruing restructured loans and loans past due 90 days and accruing.

Valuation Techniques

Assets held in trust funds

Assets held in trust funds, related to deferred compensation plans, 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.

Nonaccrual loans

Fair values of nonaccrual loans 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.

Other property owned

For other property owned, 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. If the process uses observable market-based information, the assets are classified as Level 2. If the process requires significant input based upon management's knowledge of and judgment about current market conditions, specific issues relating to the property and other matters, the assets are classified as Level 3.

Note 6 — Employee Benefit Plans

The following is a table of retirement and other postretirement benefit expenses for the Association:

		Months E tember 3			Ionths En tember 30	
	2023	3		2023		2022
Pension	\$ 83	\$	80	\$ 230	\$	240
401(k)	92		83	332		310
Other postretirement benefits	 32		36	103		100
Total	\$ 207	\$	199	\$ 665	\$	650

Expenses in the above table are computed using allocated estimates of funding for multi-employer plans in which the Association participates. These amounts may change when a total funding amount and allocation is determined by the respective Plan's Sponsor Committee. Also, market conditions could impact discount rates and return on plan assets which could change contributions necessary before the next plan measurement date of December 31, 2023.

Further details regarding employee benefit plans are contained in the 2022 Annual Report to Shareholders.

Note 7 — Commitments and Contingent Liabilities

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 remote 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.

Note 8 — Subsequent Events

The Association evaluated subsequent events and determined that, except for as described below, there were none requiring disclosure through November 8, 2023, which was the date the financial statements were issued.

On October 27, 2023 the AgFirst Board of Directors approved an increase to the Association Investment in AgFirst from 1.00 percent to 1.50 percent effective October 31, 2023. This resulted in an increase in equity investment in AgFirst of \$3.4 million to \$17.7 million.