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Form 8-K June 06, 2012 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): June 6, 2012

FEDERAL AGRICULTURAL MORTGAGE CORPORATION

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Federally chartered instrumentality

of the United States 001-14951

52-1578738

(State or Other Jurisdiction

of Incorporation)

(Commission File Number)

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

1999 K Street, N.W., 4th Floor, Washington, D.C.

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(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(Zip Code)

20006

Registrant's telephone number, including area code (202) 872-7700

No change

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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Section 8—Other Events

Item 8.01 Other Events.

On June 6, 2012, the Corporate Governance Committee and the Board of Directors of the Federal Agricultural Mortgage Corporation ("Farmer Mac") reconsidered their April 5, 2012 independence determinations and determined that director nominees Thomas W. Hill and Douglas E. Wilhelm would not be "independent" directors under Farmer Mac's Corporate Governance Guidelines upon their election to the Board, and also withdrew the recommendation that those individuals be elected to the Board. Mr. Hill and Mr. Wilhelm remain on the ballot for election to the Board. The Board reconsiderations resulted from the recent receipt by Farmer Mac of additional information that related to a services agreement between Mr. Hill and Farm Credit Bank of Texas and a letter to Farmer Mac from Mr. Wilhelm disclosing ongoing discussions between Mr. Wilhelm and CoBank regarding a services agreement.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

FEDERAL AGRICULTURAL MORTGAGE CORPORATION

By: /s/ Jerome G. Oslick Name: Jerome G. Oslick

Title: Senior Vice President - General Counsel

Dated: June 6, 2012