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Good morning Anna,

Sorry for not getting back to you right away. I was trying to figure out a couple suggestions.

Finding an appointed official such as a PCO is becoming more difficult these days. A couple options to try to find someone for the role would be to reach out to local agriculture retailers to see if someone may be interested in some side work. Or see if you can partner with another RM. With a person taking on more than one RM, they can create a larger/ more full-time job. Option 3 would be to see if some of your RM employees such as a grader operator or foreman would be willing to get licensed for the role. This is what we are seeing more RMs do.

I talked with the other PHTAs to see if they may know of someone who would be willing to pick up an extra RM. Joanne the PHTA from Div 2 suggested reaching out to the PCO for RM 220/218 Tom Schmidt. She unfortunately does not have contact information for Tom, so you may need to reach out to the RM.

The other option would be Matt Somers (306-917-8011). He is the PCO for RM 310/312. I am not sure if he would be willing to take on another RM or not.

Sorry, these are not the best options. I had a lot of PCOs retire and I have not met/been in contact with the replacement. If replacements have been found.

Hope you have a great day and weekend!

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