White House moves to slash pay for essential migrant farmworkers



Washington, April 13 (RHC)-- The Donald Trump administration is working to slash the wages of migrant farmworkers, even as it works to send direct aid to farmers and ranchers hurt by the coronavirus pandemic.

The plan, led by White House Chief of Staff Mark Meadows and Agriculture Secretary Sonny Perdue, would lower pay for some 250,000 foreign guest laborers, even though they've been declared "essential workers."

The immigrant rights group Movimiento Cosecha tweeted in response: "The lives of essential workers feeding the country during this pandemic simply do not matter to the agriculture industry or to the government."

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