About Dr. Coon

Summary Version:
Thomas G. Coon joined Oklahoma State University as Vice President for Agricultural Programs in July 2014. Before joining OSU, he was director of Michigan State University Cooperative Extension and a professor in the department of fisheries and wildlife. Since arriving in Stillwater, Tom and his wife, Rhonda, have been impressed by the friendliness of the people they meet, and the great relationships between OSU and the agriculture and natural resource industries served through the land-grant mission. The support of producers, educators and citizens of our great state not only helps make OSU and the Division of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources strong, but also helps ensure a bright future for the next generation.

Detailed Version:
Thomas G. Coon joined Oklahoma State University as Vice President of the Division of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources in July 2014. Before joining OSU, he was director of Michigan State University Cooperative Extension and a professor of fisheries and wildlife at MSU for 25 years. Tom received his Ph.D. from the University of California-Davis and served on the faculty at the University of Missouri before his move to Michigan State. As vice president, Tom has responsibility for the integration of the Oklahoma Agricultural Experiment Station, the Oklahoma Cooperative Extension Service and the College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources. These three entities embody the land-grant mission that is the heart of DASNR, and include more than 250 faculty, 400 Extension staff and 360 support and administrative staff, both on-campus and in 77 county Extension offices and 18 research stations across the state.