Duck names Worm his running mate

'I know his strength. I know his conscience.'

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MALLARD, Iowa (DNN) -- Farmyard Party White House hopeful Duck on Thursday tapped a colleague and former rival to be his running mate, calling Worm "a creature who understands and defends the values of America."

Worm, a caretaker of the earth and highly successful diarist, was Duck's most persistent rival in the Farmyard primaries, but he became one of his biggest boosters once he threw in the towel on his own campaign.

Duck announced his choice to a cheering crowd here. "I trust that met with your approval," Duck, a former governor, deadpanned.



"I was honored this morning to receive a call from Duck asking me to join his ticket," Worm said. "I was humbled by his offer -- and thrilled to accept it."



Worm taking notes on the campaign trail for his blog, "Worming My Way Into the White House".

Worm's primary campaign focused on underground tours of many states. Worm brings a special focus on environmental issues to the Farmyard Ticket. In earlier statements, Worm stated, "My mother told me the first thing that I should always remember is that the earth gives us everything we need."

Close sources to Worm report that he was warned by his friend Spider "to be very careful because the President might step on [you] by mistake."

Worm reportedly replied, "It's a dangerous job . . . but someone's got to do it." And this reporter knows that Worm is the one for the job!

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