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Hello Mike Johanns, here are my comments about the farm bill.

Six topics will be used to frame the comments, they are

1. How should farm policy be designed to maximize U.S. competitiveness and effectively compete in world markets? Well, the farm policy should be written by farmers, ag specialist at both 1890 and 1862 land grant universities, usda specialist, and domestic and foreign agriculture specialist.
2. How should farm policy address any unintended consequences and to ensure that such consequences do not discourage new farmers from entering production agriculture? You should address any unintended consequences by making agriculture more affordable for small farmers wanting to get into the system, by not discriminating and providing equal opportunities for everyone that apply and share the resources to ensure a win win situation for all.
3. How should farm policy be designed to effectively and fairly distribute assistance to producers? It should be designed through a case by case basis. The farmers should be able to access a web site (or hotline) if they need assistance. Then an individual from the USDA would go out and investigate the assistance.
4. How can farm policy best achieve conservation and environmental goals? By working with the various conservation and environmental organization and community groups to ensure common goals.
5. How can Federal rural and farm programs provide effective assistance in rural areas? By meeting the need of rural people where they are. Do seminars, cook outs to encourage people to show up and explain their situation.
6. How should agricultural product development, marketing and research-related issues be addressed in the next farm bill? Ag products should be developed based on the consumers in the market which are buying and not buying various different types of products. All the universities should be involved in the process as well.

Thanks,

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