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Question1: next generation farmers have nothing to worry about when it comes to land prices. farms that are operating now budget in costs of expansion. by continuing programs such as crp the pressure to produce is lightened. as for the new farmer it is a lose lose situation with already inflated land prices due to developement and urban sprawl.

Question2: fisrt and foremost we need to limit the amount of imported agricultural product. other countries are flooding the market and driving down the prices of our harvest. farm policy should be used as a tool of trade. other countries are rich in certain natural resources in the same way we are a very agricultural country. i would like to see our product be traded with these countries and increase the demand for what we produce.

Question3: with a larger farm there is more overhead. with more overhead comes more risk. i think benefits should be based on the size of the farm and the importance of the farm in the community. some farms raise crops other farms raise wild game by not raising crops. i personally feel that both are equally important to the communities they surround. the working farm circulates income to the local ahricultural businesses, and the crp farms brings money into the community in the form of hotel and resturant purchases as well as sporting goods, guide fees,ammunition etc. i truly believe that a good balance of habitat and crop production is important for our most valuable resource ,wild game.

Question4: continuation of the crp program and a combined effort with other gov agencies like fish wildlife and parks and forest service. with the colaboration of other agencies they can all work toward a common goal and have the ability to monitor progress.

Question5: in montana there is a program run by the state fish and game department called block management. this program uses liscense fees to compensate farms for use of their land by sportsmen. my family owns three blockmanagement areas and let me tell you it's a great way to supplement farmers income as well as providing a place for sportsmen and women to enjoy. not to mention the amount of revenue it brings to the local economy. i think the federal rural and farm programs should take a good look at what states like montana [block management], idaho[access yes], and south dakota[walk in areas] have done to both stimulate local economy and supplement farmer income.

Question6: market our crops as a premium product. give buyers a reason the purchase our product. support campagns like the"beef its whats for dinner"are also great way to market americas product.