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Question1: Put a real cap on farm payments. I would suggest \$50,000 to no more than a \$100,000 cap. This would be more than enough to cover a farm families living expenses so all they would have to do is break even on the farming enterprise. The current high caps create more and more larger farms as they have an unfair advantage in bidding on land.

Question2: Cap farm payments (as suggested in #1)and encourage conservation through programs such as the Conservation Security Program. Let the "free" market take care of the rest.

Question3: CAP THE FARM PAYMENTS! (as suggested in #1) That is the number one factor that will improve production agriculture, rural communities and conservation.

Question4: The Conservation Security Program is a good start. The problem with the CSP is that it places too much value on no-till. No-till allows farmers to get bigger. As they get bigger machinery they don't use the terraces or waterways anymore. When the water consolidates in these low spots there is a tremendous amount of erosion. Secondly the program is under funded and the prioritization of farms is not fair. This program needs more work and the farmers and those administering the program need to know what the rules are and how they will be administered.

Question5: CAP THE FARM PAYMENTS! (as suggested in #1) That is the number one factor that will improve rural communities. Without a much lower cap farms will keep getting bigger and rural communities will keep getting smaller. Without a lower cap there is no solution for rural communities.

Question6: Every year we consume as much as we produce. The "carryover" changes very little. The large processors keep the prices low so they don't have to float as much money through there systems. Enforce current monopoly laws and prices would go up.