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Question1: Can the allowable uses of the benefits be specified and those designated as improving the land for agricultural production and reducing the impact of agriculture on other natural resources, such as water.

Question2: The USDA should assist farmers with current information about the world market, provide information on converting to new crops that are in demand and also appropriate for our climate and conditions, and provide incentives for cultivating these crops.

Question3: Farm policy should reward responsible use of the land and a return to more organic methods of farming which introduce fewer harmful chemicals and excess nutrients to the environment. There should be withdrawal of benefits from those who pursue irresponsible farming practices which pollute water and introduce undesirable vegetation.

Question4: I support a revision of priorities for agriculture. Farm policy can assist with achieving them by directing reward to the desired practices and outcomes. For example, if it is clean water, rewarding those farmers who effectively reduce chemical and nutrient run off of their land.

Question5: I am not knowledgeable enough to make specific suggestions but I believe this is a worthy course to pursue. I suppose I could suggest the government giving more attention to working on renewable water and energy resources. Agricultural landholders can receive the direct benefit as well as play a profit-making role in safe-guarding and providing these resources to the nation.

Question6: I heartily support these ideas, especially emphasis on organic and specialty crops and renewable energy.