

**From:** "knightondw@verizon.net%inter2" <knightondw@verizon.net>  
**Subject:** Farm Bill 2007 Official Comments - 07/18/2005 03:08 PM CDT  
**Date Sent:** 07/18/2005 03:08:44 CDT  
**Date Received:** 07/18/2005 03:09:52 CDT

---

Email: knightondw@verizon.net

FirstName: Paula

LastName: Knighton

Address1: 8114 W. Clearwater Pl

Address2:

City: Kennewick

State: Washington

zipcode: 99336

Question1:

Question2: Instead of trying to force products that countries don't want down their throats, we should grow products they do want like non GMO crops. We should lead the way in healthfully grown products such as organically grown and meat products without antibiotics or hormones.

Question3: What I object to is subsidizing their not growing something they shouldn't be growing anyway. Why not subsidize them growing something new that they might not try if they didn't have a support system if it doesn't sell right away. Or subsidize new ways to farm - using organic methods which they might be afraid to try without some sort of subsidy or which might take several years to establish during which time they need subsidized. Subsidizing should be based on need rather than supporting giant corporations who are already making a profit. If the giant corporation farms aren't making a profit without subsidies maybe they need to re think their priorities.

Question4: Subsidies and tax cuts should be based on production of cleaner air and water and conservation of natural resources. Too often the profit motive is the deciding factor rather than the communities health and welfare. Profit and health do not have to be incompatible. The value of health needs to be considered part of the profit.

Question5: Once again the profit of turning into a subdivision far outweighs the value of food. Farmers need a serious support to encourage them to continue as farmers - but we need to be really careful that new technologies actually perpetuate healthy farms rather than creating more pollution and more giant monocultures.

Question6: Support new products and better quality products, and organic and speciality products but make sure they are real food not GMO organisms that help support the use of poisonous chemicals. Certainly new uses for crops like biodiesel