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Question1: No comment.

Question2: The safest, healthiest, and most sustainable way to eat is to eat locally. Farmers should diversify their production (avoid growing only one crop) and seek out and be given more opportunities to sell their produce to local customers. Customers will pay a premium for high-quality food that is locally grown. Exporting produce creates high transportation costs, and takes a greater toll on the environment through the burning of fossil fuels.

Question3: Again, I would suggest distributing incentives to farmers who practice sustainable farming or are willing to try, and who will sell their goods to those who live nearby. Our nation needs to localize food production, rather than centralize it.

Question4: I would like to commend the USDA for seeking to achieve conservation and environmental goals. Consumers want quality organic produce, and farmers should be encouraged to make the switch to growing organic. Sustainable farming practices benefit soils, animals, farmers, and consumers.

Question5: No comment.

Question6: I would support any bill that encourages the growth of organic crops and the use of sustainable farming practices.