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Question1: no comment

Question2: no comment

Question3: no comment

Question4: The Farm Bill that established state Urban Forest Councils was a step in the right direction. As a board member of the California Urban Forest Council, I am grateful that this group exists to coordinate and encourage colaboration in the field of Urban Forestry. In addition to serving on the CAUFC Board, I am the Executive Director for TREE Davis. Tree Foundations, such as TREE Davis, plant trees in urban as well as rural areas. We colaborate with rural landowners here in the California Central Valley to establish roadside trees to serve as windbreaks and habitat for wildlife. Efforts to achieve conservation and environmental goals can be maximized by encouraging landowners and farmers to work with local grassroots organizations. Federal matching grants to local environmental groups would allow those groups to achieve economy of scale in providing resources to many landowners.

Question5: no comment

Question6: Agricultural policy should reward landowners who are being inovative in the development of new products and technologies. I strongly support organic and specialty crops, renewable energy and increased research.