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Question4: The farm policy should place native, non-tilled land as a priority for conservation and natural resource stewardship. Many farmers have native undisturbed land as part of their farming operation, particularly within the Midwest. There are limits to this land in terms of providing income. To ensure that this land, which is rare and becoming rarer, does not meet a different fate the continuation of programs, such as the Grassland Reserve Program, that provide incentive to keep it native and undisturbed should be included within upcoming farm bills. Within Missouri, there are patches of remnant prairie on private land that support important and necessary habitat for many wildlife species, game and nongame both. GRP provides the incentive to not only keep this land from becoming a tall fescue pasture, but also to ensure enough time is allowed for nesting of grassland birds. There are limited tools in the toolbox for such action, taking this tool out would only allow part of the work for conservation to be done. I would hate to see this land become a monoculture landscape and lose the diversity of life for the next generation. Not to mention it's importance to reduced soil erosion, carbon sequestration, reduced chemical pollutants into groundwater and streams, etc... All this without having to pay for seed to re-establish grasslands on once cropland. In areas with opportunity let's not try to remake something that already exists, if anything let's save what exists and add to it.

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