

USDA 2007 FARM BILL FORUM in NEBRASKA

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Please respond to the following six questions. Space permits (below or reverse side) to respond, or add your own comments about other 2007 farm bill suggestions.

- 1) How should farm policy address any unintended consequences and ensure that such consequences do not discourage new farmers/ranchers and the next generation of farmers/ranchers from entering production agriculture?
- 2) How should farm policy be designed to maximize U.S. competitiveness and our country's ability to effectively compete in global markets?
- 3) How should farm policy be designed to effectively and fairly distribute assistance to producers?

4) How can farm policy best achieve conservation and environmental goals?

- Please keep the C.R.P. program. I know it is a high cost, but I think C.R.P. payments, per acre need to reflect the high tax rates + the high rent that can be gotten now days. If we lock in a C.R.P. price for ten years, maybe taxes should not change for that
- 5) How can Federal rural and farm programs provide effective assistance in rural areas?
 - 6) How should agricultural product development, marketing and research-related issues be addressed in the next farm bill?
- Period of time.

The public is welcome to submit their comments via the USDA Farm Bill Forums website at <http://www.usda.gov/farmbill> or by mailing comments to Secretary of Agriculture Mike Johanns, Farm Bill, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington D.C. 20250-3355. Comments should be submitted by Dec. 30, 2005.

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