

February 27, 2023

Debbie Stabenow, Chairwoman  
U.S. Senate Agriculture Committee

John Boozman, Ranking Member  
U.S. Senate Agriculture Committee

Glenn Thompson, Chairman  
U.S. House Agriculture Committee

David Scott, Ranking Member  
U.S. House Agriculture Committee

Dear Chairwoman Stabenow, Chairman Thompson, Ranking Member Boozman, and Ranking Member Scott,

As you begin to consider the 2023 Farm Bill, the undersigned groups urge you to protect the historic \$20 billion investment in climate-smart agriculture and conservation technical assistance and to ensure that this funding stays in climate-smart agriculture and Farm Bill conservation programs. This is the largest investment into agriculture conservation and rural communities in decades and farmers, ranchers, and foresters across the country are depending on these resources.

USDA's voluntary, incentive-based conservation programs enable producers to adopt practices that build soil health, sequester carbon, and reduce greenhouse gas emissions, while also improving surface and ground water quality, increasing water efficiency, building resilience to drought and flood, creating habitat for fish and wildlife, and protecting agricultural lands for future generations. Farm Bill conservation programs have been critically oversubscribed and meet only a fraction of the need for voluntary conservation on the landscape. The increased funding for USDA's popular and effective Farm Bill conservation programs will help to energize rural economies, improve climate resilience, and ensure that our nation's farmers, ranchers, and foresters are part of the solution to climate change.

The increased funding for Farm Bill conservation programs, climate-smart agriculture, and associated conservation technical assistance, along with existing Farm Bill conservation title funding, represents the best opportunity in decades to meet producer demand for conservation programs. Robust agriculture conservation funding benefits all parts of the country. The undersigned groups urge you to ensure that the 2023 Farm Bill protects these generational investments in climate-smart agriculture and USDA agriculture conservation programs.

Sincerely,

**National Organizations**

American Bird Conservancy  
American Birding Association  
American Friends Service Committee  
American Rivers  
American Sustainable Business Network  
Amphibian and Reptile Conservancy  
Appalachian Trail Conservancy

Association of State Floodplain Managers  
Campaign for Environmental Literacy  
Carbon180  
Center for American Progress  
Center for Food Safety  
Center for Large Landscape Conservation  
Central Grasslands Roadmap  
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Change the Chamber  
Chefs for Healthy Soil, An NRDC Project  
Citizens' Climate Lobby  
Clean Air Task Force  
Climate Action Campaign  
Climate Action Now  
Climate Collaborative  
Climate Systems Solutions  
Dairy Grazing Apprenticeship  
Defenders of Wildlife  
Dr. Michael Hutchins Impact on Wildlife Fund  
E2 (Environmental Entrepreneurs)  
Earth Force  
Earthjustice  
Elders Climate Action  
Endangered Species Coalition  
Environment America  
Environmental Defense Fund  
Environmental Policy Innovation Center  
Environmental Working Group  
Farm Action Fund  
Farm Aid  
Food Animal Concerns Trust  
Four Paws USA  
Green America  
Hawk Migration Association of North America  
Hawk Mountain Sanctuary Association  
Hazon  
HBCU College of Plant-Based Lifestyle Medicine  
Health Care Without Harm  
Hempstead Project Heart  
Hispanic Access Foundation  
Holy Spirit Missionary Sisters, USA-JPIC  
Institute for Agriculture and Trade Policy  
Institute for Governance & Sustainable  
Development  
Interfaith Power & Light  
International Crane Foundation  
Izaak Walton League of America  
Johns Hopkins Center for a Livable Future  
Kiss the Ground  
Land Core  
Latino Farmers & Ranchers International, Inc.

Latino Farmers & Ranchers Leadership Team  
League of Conservation Voters  
League of Women Voters of the United States  
Mad Agriculture  
Manomet  
National Association of Pediatric Nurse  
Practitioners  
National Audubon Society  
National Caucus of Environmental Legislators  
National Center for Appropriate Technology  
National Hispanic Medical Association  
National Mississippi River Museum & Aquarium  
National Parks Conservation Association  
National Sustainable Agriculture Coalition  
National Wildlife Federation  
National Young Farmers Coalition  
Natural Resources Defense Council  
Naturally Network  
North American Grouse Partnership  
Organic Farming Research Foundation  
Organic Trade Association  
Plant Based Foods Association  
Plant Based Foods Institute  
Point Blue Conservation Science  
Quail and Upland Wildlife Federation  
Rachel Carson Council  
Regenerate America Coalition  
Resource Renewal Institute  
Restore America's Estuaries  
River Network  
Road to Recovery, Saving our Shared Birds  
Rural Coalition  
Sierra Club  
Sisters of the Holy Cross  
Socially Responsible Agriculture Project  
Solutions from the Land  
Taproot Earth  
Textile Exchange  
The Breakthrough Institute  
The Institute for Bird Populations  
The International Wildlife Rehabilitation Council  
The Nature Conservancy  
The Pew Charitable Trusts

The Trumpeter Swan Society  
The Wilderness Society  
The Wildlife Society  
Theodore Roosevelt Conservation Partnership  
Trout Unlimited  
Trust for Public Land  
Union of Concerned Scientists  
Voices for Progress  
Wallace Center at Winrock International  
Water Environment Federation  
Wild Farm Alliance  
World Wildlife Fund  
Xerces Society for Invertebrate Conservation

### **Businesses**

A.K.A. Coach and Company  
Akers Ski, Inc.  
Aligned Insight Inc. - A Colorado Public Benefit  
Amazone  
Amy's Kitchen  
Ann Arbor T-shirt Company, LLC  
Avocado Green Mattress  
Barley Swine  
BBQ Mexicana  
BeatBox Beverages  
Ben & Jerry's Homemade, Inc.  
Beth Price Photography  
Big Tree Farms, Inc  
Bin 707 Foodbar  
Bio-Gist Ventures, LLC  
Bonterra Organic Estates  
Blackbird Woodfire  
Blue Hill  
Border Grill  
Broadside Bookshop, Inc.  
C. Wolfe Software Engineering  
Cajun Spirits Distillery, LLC  
Cambridge Naturals  
Cedar's Cafe  
Change Finance, PBC  
Cheboygan Brewing Company  
Cherry Republic

Climate Cookery  
Coherence Collaborative  
Community Food Co-op  
Compose[d]  
Contempl8 T-shirts LLC  
Dr. Bronner's  
Durango Compost Company  
EcoPlum  
Eighty2degrees LLC  
Eleek Incorporated  
EnergyWorks  
Ethanology Distillation  
Ever Better, PBC  
Evergreen Sustainability, LLC  
Fedco Seeds  
Financial Alternatives  
Fox One Solutions  
Flourish Juice Co., Inc  
Foresight Management  
Fruition  
Great Lakes Tea & Spice Company  
GreenVest  
Haptic Lab Inc.  
Harbor West Design  
Hewing Hotel  
HR Connectors  
Iamsophiaroe  
King Arthur Baking Company  
Kye's  
L. Mawby, LLC  
Legacy Club Holdings, LLC  
Legacy Hospitality Holdings, Inc.  
Legacy Vacation Club Management, LLC  
Legacy Vacation Club Services, LLC  
Legacy Vacation Club, LLC  
Legacy Vacation Resorts  
LEZA  
Lickinghole Creek Craft Brewery  
Little Egg  
Little Red Flower Truck LLC  
Loaves & Fishes Collective  
Longwave Financial  
Lula

Luna Fargo  
Lunchette  
LVC Holding Co., LLC  
LVC Timeshare Developer, LLC  
LVC Timeshare Management, LLC  
LVR Assets, LLC  
M. B. Haskett Delicatessen  
Mamo Hospitality LLC  
Manzana Products Co., Inc.  
Mara Hoffman  
Marin Sunshine Realty  
Maxie B's  
MegaFood  
Mercantile  
Mission Chinese Food  
Mundo Management  
MyForest Foods Co.  
Namu Baru Inc.  
Natural Selections  
Naturepedic Organic Mattresses & Bedding  
Navitas Organics  
Neutral Foods  
New Belgium Brewing  
New Seasons Market  
Nick Wallace Culinary  
No Evil Foods  
North By Nature LLC  
Oatly  
Odd Duck  
Olipop  
Organic Valley  
Patagonia  
Peak State  
Plastic Beach Collections  
Pony Named Bill Tack Shop  
Pure Strategies  
Quapaw Canoe Company  
ReEarth  
Reformation  
REI Co-op  
Remarkable Ventures Corp.  
ReSeed PBC  
Rincon-Vitova Insectaries

Risk to Resilience Strategy  
Round Lake Group Hospitality LLC  
Salt Palm Development, Inc.  
Sanderson Sustainable Design  
Sierra Nevada Brewing Co.  
Snacktivist Foods  
Socalo  
Solberg MFG  
Southern Ohio Chestnut Company LLC  
SPD 2021, LLC  
SPD 2021A, LLC  
SPD 2022, LLC  
SPD 545, LLC  
Stardust  
Steve Kaye Photo  
Stonyfield  
Straus Family Creamery  
Sullivan Scrap Kitchen  
Takoma Park Silver Spring Co-op  
The Aparium Group  
The Bear Factory  
The Chefs Garden & Culinary Vegetable  
Institute  
The Farthest Pixel  
The Great Bouquet  
The Tofurky Company  
True North Trout  
Unilever United States  
Upton's Naturals  
Vacation Benefits, LLC  
VF Corporation  
Web of Life Products  
Wiltse Kitchen  
Wolf & Associates  
Woodstock Inn  
Working Title Food Group  
Yellowbilled Tours  
Zero Footprint

#### **Farms**

Andrews Farm  
Angell Farm LLC

Attagrrl Farms  
Bass Root Farm LLC  
Beech Hill Farm  
Bumpa Farm  
Center View Farms Co.  
Cicada Calling Farm  
Chrysalis Farm  
Clermont 140  
Double S Acres farm  
DuChick Ranch, LLC  
Farthest Field Farm LLC  
Garbarino Gardens  
Geyer Farms  
Glaciers End  
Granor Farm  
Gravender Farms  
Helios Horsepower Farm  
Here We Are Farm  
Jóia Food & Fiber Farm  
Lundberg Family Farms  
Medicine Creek Farm  
Nettie Fox Farm  
Nightshade Farms LLC  
North Branch Farm  
Oakencroft Farm  
Oertels Roots Family Farm  
River Queen Greens  
Roots Return Heritage Farm LLC  
Savage Acres LLC  
Schmidt Family Farms  
Two Mile Creek Organic Farms  
Whippoorwill Creek Farm  
Whitestone Mountain Orchard  
Wild Tilth Farm

**Regional, State, and Local Groups:**

Admiralty Audubon  
Alabama Audubon  
Alabama State Association of Cooperatives  
Albert Lea Audubon Society, Inc  
Allegheny Plateau Audubon Society  
Alliance for the Great Lakes

Angelica Ridge  
Arizona Climate Action Coalition  
Arkansas Interfaith Power & Light  
Arkansas Valley Audubon Society  
Arkansas Wildlife Federation  
Asociacion Ecosistemas Andinos - ECOAN  
Audubon California  
Audubon Center at Riverlands  
Audubon Connecticut  
Audubon Connecticut & New York  
Audubon Colorado Council  
Audubon Great Lakes  
Audubon Great Plains  
Audubon Miami Valley  
Audubon Mid-Atlantic  
Audubon MN IA MO  
Audubon of Southwest Florida  
Audubon Society of Central Maryland  
Audubon Society of Forsyth County  
Audubon South Carolina  
Audubon Texas  
Audubon Vermont  
Austin Chapter, Minnesota Izaak Walton League  
Benzie Conservation District  
Bethesda-Chevy Chase Izaak Walton League  
Bexar Audubon Society  
Bird Conservancy of the Rockies  
Bird Conservation Network  
Bird Town Pennsylvania  
BirdAndHike.com  
Bozeman Birders  
Bush Lake Chapter, Minnesota Izaak Walton League  
Cacapon Institute  
California Climate and Agriculture Network  
California Environmental Voters  
Calumet Region Illinois Chapter, Izaak Walton League  
Cape Fear Audubon  
Capital Region Land Conservancy  
Carolina Farm Stewardship Association  
Center for Climate Change and Health

Center for Conservation Research, Alcorn State University, MS  
Center for Rural Affairs  
Central Ohio Izaak Walton League  
Chesapeake Bay Foundation  
Chesapeake Climate Action Network  
Chesapeake Conservancy  
Chicago Audubon Society  
Chispa Arizona  
Church Women United in New York State  
Citizens Committee to Complete the Refuge  
City Wildlife  
Climate Land Leaders  
Climate Reality Chicago Metro  
Climate Reality Finger Lakes Greater Region NY Chapter  
Climate Reality Project Long Island Chapter  
Coastal Enterprises, Inc.  
Colorado Crane Conservation Coalition, Inc.  
Colorado Wildlife Federation  
Community Involved in Sustaining Agriculture | CISA  
Connecticut Health Professionals for Climate Action  
Conococheague Audubon Society  
Conservation Alabama  
Conservation Coalition of Oklahoma  
Conservation Federation of Missouri  
Conservation Minnesota  
Conservation Voters for Idaho  
Conservation Voters New Mexico  
Conservation Voters of Pennsylvania  
Cottage Codgers  
Coulee Region Audubon Society  
Cumberland-Harpeth Audubon Society  
Cypress Chapter, Florida, Izaak Walton League  
Delaware Interfaith Power & Light  
Delaware Nature Society  
Delaware Valley Ornithological Club  
Des Moines, Iowa Chapter, Izaak Walton League  
Dietrick Institute for Applied Insect Ecology  
Duval Audubon Society

Dwight Lydell, Michigan Chapter, Izaak Walton League  
Eagle Audubon Society  
Earth Ministry/Washington Interfaith Power & Light  
Eastern PA Coalition for Abandoned Mine Reclamation (EPCAMR)  
Ecoclub  
Edible Evanston  
Endangered Habitats League  
Elders Climate Action - Arizona Chapter  
Empathy Surplus Network USA  
Environmental Law & Policy Center  
Environmental League of Massachusetts  
Environmentally Concerned Citizens of South Central Michigan  
Evansville Audubon Society, Inc.  
Evergreen Audubon  
Faith in Place  
Families for a Livable Climate  
Fargo Moorhead Audubon  
Florida Wildlife Federation  
For Love of Water (FLOW)  
Food Works  
Forever Maryland  
Friends of Family Farmers  
Friends of the Mississippi River  
Friends of Wake Soil and Water Conservation District  
Gallatin Wildlife Association  
Garden of the Gods, Colorado Izaak Walton League  
Genesee Valley Audubon Society  
George Miksch Sutton Avian Research Center  
Georgia Conservation Voters  
Georgia Interfaith Power and Light  
Georgia Wildlife Federation  
Golden Eagle Audubon Society  
Golden Gate Audubon  
Grand Island, Nebraska Izaak Walton League  
Grand Valley Audubon Society  
Grassland 2.0  
Grassland Groupies, Inc.

Grassland Water District  
Great Lakes Business Network  
Greater Ozarks Audubon Society  
Green Forests Work  
Green Lands Blue Waters  
Green State Solutions  
Griffith, Indiana Izaak Walton League  
Halifax River Audubon  
Hamilton, Ohio, Izaak Walton League  
Harry Enstrom Chapter, Pennsylvania, Izaak Walton League  
Headwaters Chapter, Ohio Izaak Walton League  
Hilton Head Island Audubon Society  
Hoosier Environmental Council  
Hudson Carbon  
Huron River Watershed Council  
Illinois Council Trout Unlimited  
Illinois Division, Izaak Walton League of America  
Illinois Environmental Council  
Illinois Ornithological Society  
Illinois Stewardship Alliance  
Indiana Division, Izaak Walton League  
Iowa Coldwater Conservancy  
Iowa County, Iowa, Izaak Walton League  
Iowa Farmers Union  
Iowa Interfaith Power & Light  
Iowa Rivers Revival  
Island Grown Initiative  
Izaak Walton League - National Great Lakes Committee  
Izaak Walton League, Loudoun County VA Chapter  
Izaak Walton League, Pennsylvania Division  
Jayhawk Audubon  
Kansas Wildlife Federation  
Kerncrest Audubon  
Kissimmee Valley Audubon Society  
Lahontan Audubon Society  
Lake Pepin Legacy Alliance  
Lancaster Farmland Trust  
Land Stewardship Project  
Lane County Audubon Society  
Laney College  
League of Michigan Conservation Voters  
League of Women Voters of Iowa  
Legacy Land Conservancy  
Lehigh Valley Audubon Society  
Louis Green-Sligo Chapter, Maryland, Izaak Walton League  
Linnaean Society of New York  
Loudoun Wildlife Conservancy  
Louisiana Hypoxia Working Group  
Lovey's Market  
Lower Susquehanna Riverkeeper Association  
LSU AgCenter Greater New Orleans  
Lycoming Audubon Society  
Maine Environmental Education Association  
Maine Farmland Trust  
Maine Organic Farmers and Gardeners Association  
Maine Public Health Association  
Maine UU State Advocacy Network  
Marion Audubon Society  
Maryland Conservation Council  
Maryland Ornithological Society  
Mass Audubon  
Menunkatuck Audubon Society  
Michael Fields Agricultural Institute  
Michigan Clinicians for Climate Action  
Michigan Environmental Council  
Michigan Food & Farming Systems (MIFFS)  
Michigan Interfaith Power & Light  
Michigan League of Conservation Voters  
Michigan Sustainable Business Forum  
Middletown for Clean Energy  
Milwaukee Riverkeeper  
Minnesota River Valley Audubon Chapter  
Minnesota State -Vermilion Chapter  
Missouri Coalition for the Environment  
Missouri Prairie Foundation  
Missouri River Bird Observatory  
MM Solar Advisory  
Monmouth County Audubon Society  
Montana Conservation Voters  
Montana Interfaith Power and Light  
Montana Wildlife Federation

Montgomery Bird Club  
Mountaineer Chapter of the National Audubon Society  
Natural Resources Council of Maine  
Nature Forward  
Nature Vancouver  
NC League of Conservation Voters  
Nebraska Division, Izaak Walton League  
New City Neighbors  
New Hampshire Audubon  
New Hope Audubon Society  
New Jersey Conservation Foundation  
New Jersey League of Conservation Voters  
New Mexico Audubon Council  
New Mexico Interfaith Power and Light  
New Mexico Wildlife Federation  
New York City Audubon Society  
New York League of Conservation Voters  
NH Audubon  
NJ Sustainable Business Council  
NM Healthy Soil Working Group  
North Carolina Council of Churches  
North Carolina Interfaith Power & Light  
North Cascades Audubon Society  
North Central Washington Audubon Society  
North Dakota Wildlife Federation  
Northeast Organic Dairy Producers Alliance  
Northeast Organic Farming Association of New Jersey NOFA NJ  
Northeast Organic Farming Association of New York  
Northeast Organic Farming Association of Vermont (NOFA-VT)  
Northeast Organic Farming Association-Interstate Council  
Northeastern Wisconsin Audubon Society  
Northern Arizona Audubon Society  
Northern Az. Climate Action Coalition  
Northern Catskills Audubon Society  
Northern New York Audubon Society  
Northern Plains Resource Council  
Northwest Arkansas Audubon Society  
Oakland Audubon Society

Ohio Conservation Federation  
Ohio Ecological Food and Farm Association  
Ohio River Foundation  
Oklahoma Black Historical Research Project, Inc.  
Onondaga Audubon  
Openlands  
Orange Audubon Society  
Oregon Climate & Agriculture Network  
Oregon Interfaith Power & Light  
Ornithological Society of Puerto Rico  
Palm Beach County Soil and Water Conservation District  
Pasa Sustainable Agriculture  
Patuxent Tidewater Land Trust  
PennEnvironment  
PennFuture  
Pennsylvania Council of Churches  
Pennsylvania Interfaith Power & Light  
Peoria Audubon Society  
Pilchuck Audubon  
Platte River Whooping Crane Maintenance Trust  
Pomona Valley Audubon Society  
Portneuf Valley Audubon Society  
Prairie Lakes Audubon Chapter  
Prairie Rapids Audubon Society  
Prairie Woods Chapter, Minnesota Izaak Walton League  
Presque Isle Audubon Society  
Prince George's County Audubon Society  
Project Eleven Hundred  
Quittapahilla Audubon Society  
Ramapough Culture and Land Foundation  
Religious Coalition for the Great Lakes  
RESTORE: The North Woods  
Rockbridge Bird Club  
Rutland County Audubon Society  
Saint Paul Audubon Society  
Salem Audubon Society  
San Bernardino Valley Audubon Society  
Savanna Institute  
Save Our Seabirds  
Save Our Seashore



Save the Dunes  
School Sisters of St. Francis  
Seminole Audubon Society  
SERCAP, INC.  
Sharing our roots  
Sierra Club of Georgia  
Sierra Forest Legacy  
Silver Lining Institute  
South Dakota Wildlife Federation  
South Florida Audubon society  
South Shore Audubon Society  
Southern Maine Conservation Collaborative  
Southern Maryland Audubon  
Space Coast Audubon Society  
SPROUT Nola  
St. Louis Audubon Society  
St. Lucie Audubon  
Stockbridge Audubon Society  
Sustainable Food Center  
T. Gilbert Pearson Audubon Society  
Tennessee Ornithological Society  
Tennessee Wildlife Federation  
The CLEO Institute  
The Downeast Chapter of Maine Audubon  
The Parrot Club  
Three Rivers Waterkeeper  
Tijuana Paws and Whiskers Rescue  
Topeka Audubon Society  
Triad Wild!  
Tropical Audubon Society  
Trout Unlimited Chapter 420  
Tucson Audubon Society  
Tulare Kings Audubon Chapter  
Twin Cities Trout Unlimited  
Umpqua Watersheds  
Unitarian Universalist Advocacy Network of IL  
Utah Wildlife Federation  
UUSG Green Sanctuary Team  
Valley Forge Audubon Advocacy  
Valley Forge Audubon Society  
Ventura Audubon Society  
Virginia Association for Biological Farming  
Virginia Conservation Network

Wachiska Audubon Society  
Wake Audubon Society  
Walter Breckenridge Chapter, Minnesota Izaak  
Walton League  
Waterkeepers Chesapeake  
We All Rise  
Wes Libbey Northern Lakes Chapter,  
Minnesota, Izaak Walton League  
West Michigan Environmental Action Council  
West Virginia Division, Izaak Walton League  
West Virginia Rivers Coalition  
Western Colorado Alliance  
Western Cuyahoga Audubon Society  
Western New York Environmental Alliance  
Western Organization of Resource Councils  
WildCare of Western New York  
Will Dilg Chapter, Minnesota, Izaak Walton  
League  
Wisconsin Conservation Voters  
Wisconsin Division Izaak Walton League  
Wisconsin Environmental Initiative  
Wisconsin Metro Audubon Society  
Wisconsin Society for Ornithology  
Wisconsin Trout Unlimited  
Yellowstone Valley Audubon Society  
Zumbro Valley Audubon