February 27, 2023

Debbie Stabenow, Chairwoman                      John Boozman, Ranking Member
U.S. Senate Agriculture Committee                 U.S. Senate Agriculture Committee

Glenn Thompson, Chairman                          David Scott, Ranking Member
U.S. House Agriculture Committee                  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
Ceres
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
Eigthy2degrees 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
Sullivans 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 Isaac 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
Izannah 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
Louise Green-Sligo Chapter, Maryland, Izaak Walton League
Linnaean Society of New York
Loudoun Wildlife Conservancy
Louisiana Hypoxia Working Group
Lover’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 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
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