

New Democrat Coalition Farm Bill Principles

New Dems are focused on advancing a Farm Bill that prioritizes investments in the future by ensuring economic development enriches rural areas, supports the nutritional needs of our communities, provides certainty for farmers, ranchers, and agricultural landowners, enhances research and access to international markets, and uses agriculture as a way to improve our environment and supply chains. We believe the Farm Bill must:

- 1. Invest in rural communities through targeted investments and by deploying broadband effectively and in a manner that is transparent, streamlined, and incentivizes both broadband uptake and speed, especially prioritizing rural communities.
- 2. Address the modern nutritional needs of Americans and provide innovations for program efficiency.
- 3. Provide farmers, ranchers, and other landowners who feed and fuel our nation with certainty from diversified income streams and greater supports to beginner, young, and socially disadvantaged producers.
- 4. Ensure farmers and ranchers have access to world class research and the resources necessary for successful trade promotion and marketing in order to expand international markets.
- 5. Recognize the important role the agriculture and forestry sector continues to have on our local environment and the opportunity the Farm Bill provides to build upon historic investments in carbon sequestration and sustainable land management, expand jobs in communities, and most importantly, enhance and protect our food supply chain from the field to America's dinner table.

New Dems will continue to work with our Members, the Agriculture Committee, and relevant stakeholders to ensure a final Farm Bill is bipartisan and supports the agricultural economy, nutrition, climate, and rural communities.