



FARM BILL TASK FORCE ONE PAGER

The INFB 2023 Farm Bill Task Force is made up of a diverse group of members representing every corner of the state. This task force met several times in 2022 to review current farm bill policy, hear from industry experts, and discuss each title. Below is a list of top priorities for the 2023 farm bill.

TITLE I COMMODITIES

- We support additional, new base acres in certain circumstances. Many small tracts are coming back into production that previously were pasture, tobacco, hay, or other uses and are now getting planted to a program crop.
- We support the continuation of a counter-cyclical program such as the Price Loss Coverage (PLC) program and a revenue program such as the Agriculture Risk Coverage (ARC) program.
- We support the opportunity for farmers to re-elect and/or enroll in ARC or PLC.
- We support increased target prices.

TITLE II CONSERVATION

- Any climate change initiatives proposed in the farm bill, specifically the conservation title, should not be a prerequisite for any other USDA conservation or crop insurance programs.
- Additional investment, if available, is needed to continue targeted conservation, address water quality challenges, address climate change and carbon sequestration issues, and face regulatory pressures on agriculture.

TITLE III TRADE

- Funding for the Market Access Program (MAP) and the Foreign Market Development (FMD) program should be increased.

TITLE IV NUTRITION

- INFB supports a farm bill that includes

the Nutrition title. We would be opposed to the separation of the Nutrition title from the balance of the farm bill as well as the block granting of SNAP as an alternative mechanism for administering the program.

- Protect SNAP structure and funding.

TITLE VI RURAL DEVELOPMENT

- Rural development broadband programs need to prioritize resources for rural communities most in need of connectivity.

TITLE VII RESEARCH

- Adequate funding must be maintained for agricultural research.

TITLE XI CROP INSURANCE

- We support the need for crop insurance to continue being federally supported and sold by the private sector.

TITLE XII MISCELLANEOUS

- Expand the authorization for the National Animal Health Laboratory Network to bring together the federal government with states, industry, universities, and others to reduce the impact of high consequence animal diseases and provide rapid detection and response capabilities. This also must include developing disease prevention and mitigation technologies.
- Provide support for the vaccine bank and its infrastructure.
- We are opposed to all dairy government supply management programs.

