Your Voice Matters the Next Farm Bill

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The most common way people give up their power is by thinking they don't have any

Mission:

Establish strong rural communities, social and economic justice, environmental stewardship, and genuine opportunity for all while engaging people in decisions that affect the quality of their lives and the future of their communities.

Farm Bill Priorities:

Conservation

Crop Insurance

Beginning Farmers

Rural Development



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- How does it support rural?
- Where are we now?
- What can you do?



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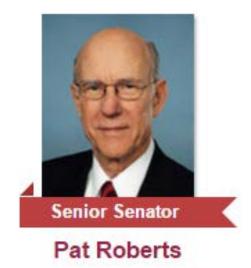
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Take a break!







Roger Marshall

Republican Since Jan 3, 2017 <u>View District Map</u>



Lynn Jenkins

Republican Since Jan 6, 2009 <u>View District Map</u>



Kevin Yoder

Republican Since Jan 5, 2011 <u>View District Map</u>



Ron Estes

Republican Since Apr 25, 2017 <u>View District Map</u>

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What can I do?

- <u>Short and easy</u>: Call your representatives and tell them you support:
 - The Beginning Farmer and Rancher Opportunity Act
 - The Local FARMS Act
 - Working lands conservation programs like CSP and EQIP

More investment:

- Write a letter to your local paper about farm bill issues. We can help you with this!
- Go to a town hall and ask your representatives to support beginning farmers, local foods, conservation, and/or other priorities in the next farm bill
- <u>Also:</u> Sign up for our mailing list to keep in touch with us!