

# ADVOCATING *for* AGRICULTURE



2025  
LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES

# TAXATION



The consistent increase of farmland tax burdens directly impacts producers' bottom lines.

Conversations with legislators about farmland taxes will continue this session to **ensure a manageable and predictable tax system.**

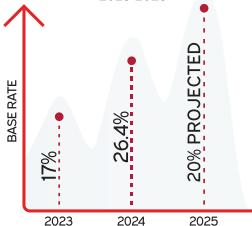
This includes:

**Realigning tax burdens** based on the demand for services and ability to pay.

**Reducing the reliance on property tax** with effective controls and income tax.

Farmland property taxes have been escalating rapidly over the last few years. The United States

Farmland Base Rate Per Acre  
2023-2025



Department of Agriculture also predicts **net farm income is set to decline nearly 25% in two years**, with substantial losses in crop receipts and continued pressure from rising costs, **making it difficult for farmers just to break even.**



# WATER RIGHTS

Water is a **crucial resource** in producing the food, fuel and fiber our nation relies upon. INFB will work to ensure the accessibility of water by:

Expanding groundwater protection rights to proactively protect agriculture operations and farmers' investments in producing food.

Implementing a statewide, dedicated groundwater well monitoring network to inventory current groundwater supply.

Developing a statewide water resource plan to manage surface and groundwater resources with a regionalized approach.

This includes adding language that protects agriculture from potential negative impacts from water withdrawals by other industries.



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