

NO FARMS, NO FOOD

STRONG FARM AND FOOD ECONOMY · HEALTHY ENVIRONMENT · NUTRITIOUS FOOD

New York needs to take action to strengthen the future for farming and the state's food system. Priorities include:

PROTECT FARMLAND FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS

Environmental Protection Fund – Dedicated funding source for environmental programs, including the Farmland Protection Program and Conservation Partnership Program.

Farmland Protection Program – Helps farmers permanently protect their land for future generations.

Conservation Partnership Program – Builds capacity of nonprofit land trusts that work with landowners to conserve their land and keep land available for farming and community gardens.

INCREASE CONSUMERS ACCESS TO NUTRITIOUS FOODS GROWN IN NEW YORK

Farmers Market Grants Program – Funds infrastructure improvements and promotions at farmers markets.

Hunger Prevention and Nutrition Assistance Program - Provides funding to food pantries and soup kitchens for purchasing nutritious food, including fresh produce from farms in New York.

Fresh Checks Program – Expands the ability of low-income New Yorkers to purchase nutritious foods at farmers markets.

HELP FARMERS PROTECT WATER AND THE ENVIRONMENT

Environmental Protection Fund – Dedicated funding source for environmental programs, including the Agricultural Nonpoint Source Program and Soil and Water Conservation Districts

Agricultural Nonpoint Source Program – Helps farmers implement practices to protect drinking water while complying with environmental regulations.

Soil and Water Conservation Districts – Local organizations working “on the ground” with farmers, landowners and municipalities in protecting natural resources.

Integrated Pest Management – Helps farmers control pests while reducing risks to people & the environment.

STRENGTHEN THE ECONOMIC VIABILITY OF FARMERS

Agricultural Development Fund – Provides economic development incentives to expand food processing and distribution infrastructure and other economic opportunities for farm and food businesses.

New York Farm Viability Institute – Supports applied research and development projects to develop new market opportunities and strengthen the economic viability of farmers.

Marketing Farm Products Grown in New York – Funds promotion of apples, grapes and farm products grown in New York.

Please add _____ to the list of organizations supporting the No Farms, No Food Lobby Day.

Contact Person: _____

Role in Organization: _____

Address: _____

City _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone Number: _____ Email: _____

I/We will attend the No Farms No Food Lobby Day on March 15th

Fax Form to (518) 581-0079 or email NewYork@farmland.org

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