

NDFB National Policies

The following are the national policies adopted by NDFB voting delegates during the 2025, 2024, and 2023 annual meetings. NDFB's national policy list is maintained so staff and members may reference these policies when national issues arise. All NDFB policies expire from our books after three years.

*This list does not reflect which policies were adopted by AFBF at the national level. Policies adopted by AFBF do not expire. For the full AFBF policy book, please visit this link:
https://ndfb.org/image/cache/AFBF_Policy_Book.pdf*

Farm Policy / Farm Programs

We support an earlier release date of CRP for haying and grazing in years of emergency.---ID#: 2478/25

We oppose using non-governmental organizations or groups such as Ducks Unlimited, Pheasants Forever, or others to provide technical support for implementation of farm bill programs, conservation programs, and/or any easements required by local, county and state entities for any project(s).---ID#: 2509/25

We support the updating of reference prices and base acres in the U.S. Farm Bill.---ID#: 2627/24

Federal Lands

We oppose Maah Daah Hey Trail designation becoming a national monument.---ID#: 2784/26

National Forest Management

We support a responsible and realistic program for forestry management and protection.---ID#: 2739/25

Wild Horses

NDFB encourages the National Park Service to continue to manage and maintain a sustainable wild horse herd in the Theodore Roosevelt National Park.---ID#: 2657/24

Fiscal / General Economy

We support legislation limiting foreign ownership of the United States' food supply.---ID#: 2806/26

Foreign Investment

We support legislation limiting foreign ownership of the United States' infrastructure---ID#: 2807/26

Food Quality and Safety

We support continued research about the impacts of consuming synthetic dyes and expanding options for synthetic dye-free foods in the American food system.---ID#: 2707/24

Government/The Constitution

We oppose any legislation or law that hinders the U.S. Constitution.---ID#: 2662/24

Immigration

We oppose the Department of Labor imposing wage standards from other industries in the agricultural sector.---ID#: 2629/24

Labor

H2A Visa Programs

We support the H-2A program as a legal, vetted pathway for agricultural workers to obtain employment visas and, a more streamlined process to obtain long-term legal status or citizenship.---ID#: 2803/26

Land Ownership

We support landowners' option to repurchase U.S. Fish and Wildlife easements on their property at a cost equal to the original purchase price plus inflation.---ID#: 2771/26

We believe ownership of the state and

U.S. land should be owned by U.S. citizens. Not foreign individuals or countries.---ID#: 2637/24

Miscellaneous

We believe safeguards should be established to protect sensitive Global Positioning System (GPS) information for farmers and ranchers.---ID#: 2776/26

We support alternative currency options to compete with our current fiat system.---ID#: 2715/25

We oppose federal agencies writing rules that extend beyond legislative intent.---ID#: 2708/25

In disputes with federal government agencies such as Farm Service Agency (FSA), Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) or U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, producers should have the opportunity to have their disputes heard in court and are judged by their peers and not by the federal government agency personnel they have the dispute with. Also, the double jeopardy rule should apply to such disputes so an agency cannot continue to bring back the same dispute until they get a ruling they prefer.---ID#: 2658/24

Natural Resources

We support tighter restrictions on large scale controlled burns immediately after red flag and high fire index days.---ID#: 2809/26

Wetlands

We support the USDA and EPA being required to pay just compensation for limiting the use of agricultural land by

declaring wetlands. If a wetland is labelled and an easement has not been purchased, these agencies would be required to pay the landowner before placing any restrictions upon the land.---ID#: 2802/26

Private Property Rights

Eminent Domain

We support an amendment to the Natural Gas Act of 1938 that would eliminate the use of federal eminent domain to take private property for natural gas pipelines.---ID#: 2785/26

Programs and Services

We support USDA and EPA policy changes to limit farmer and landowner compliance penalties, such as subsidy repayment, withholding, and ineligibility, to only the acreage or field number of the tract in which the violation occurred and to the responsible party.---ID#: 2767/26

We urge the USDA and NRCS to provide interim guidance to landowners and producers while it develops and issues a proposed new administrative rule that fully recognizes the validity of wetland determinations and certifications made between 1990 and 1996.---ID#: 2769/26

Transportation

Railroads

We support holding railroads accountable for crop damage and urge stricter federal and state enforcement of herbicide use, chemical handling, and disposal along railroad corridors, regardless of their federally regulated status, and assert that they should not be exempt from state investigations, recordkeeping notification, or compensation requirements.---ID#: 2765/2