U.S. Senate Committee On The Budget *Chair, Senator Sheldon Whitehouse*



06.07.23 ICYMI: BUDGET COMMITTEE'S HEARING "CULTIVATING STEWARDSHIP: EXAMINING THE CHANGING AGRICULTURAL LANDSCAPE"





WITNESS STATEMENTS

"As temperatures rise, the insured value of crops is projected to increase as farmers aim to protect higher-value crops from potential losses. Additionally, climate change is likely to result in more frequent and severe weather events, leading to greater yield variability and increased insurance claims."

> Brandon Willis Assistant Professor Department of Applied Economics Utah State University



"Weather extremes will increase risks for farmers and there will be increased costs associated with reduced crop production, crop insurance indemnities and infrastructure damage...

Our federal programs should support farmers in building more diverse farming operations that help make their soils and farms more resilient."

> Martin Larsen Larsen Family Farm & Byron Area Farmers Group

"Our ask... is simple. Evolve our policies... to keep up with the innovations in agriculture, modern stewardship of our lands, and renewable energy production, so our industry can deliver multiple economic benefits and ecosystem services to Americans."

> Bryan Sievers Chief Operating Officer Sievers Family Farms and Roeslein Alternative Energy

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HIGHLIGHTS

Highlight from the Ranking Member:

Sen. Grassley shines light on actions taken by farmers to reduce emissions and improve environment.



<u>(Click here to view)</u>

Featured Witness: Minnesota Farmer Martin Larsen Farmers are already feeling the immense effects of climate change



<u>Featured Member: Senator Stabenow</u> <u>Nobody is impacted more by extreme weather caused by the</u> <u>climate crisis than farmers</u>















