

**South Dakota Department of Agriculture
Division of Agricultural Development**

SOUTH DAKOTA FARM LINK QUESTIONNAIRE

This questionnaire must be completed by prospective participants in the South Dakota Farm Link Program. All parties completing this questionnaire understand that the information provided shall become public information to Farm Link participants.

Name (First, Middle Initial, Last):

Spouse Name (First, Middle Initial, Last):

Address (Street/P.O. Box):

City, State, Zip:

Email: Telephone:

Preferred Business Arrangement: Choose an item:

As a Prospective Buyer, I would need financial assistance in purchasing a farm/ranch? Yes No

As a Land Owner, I would be willing to assist with financing in the form of a contract sale if a beginning farmer/rancher were to buy this farm/ranch? Yes No

The Beginning Farmer Bond Program allows eligible beginning farmer/ranchers to obtain lower interest rate loans for qualified purposes by obtaining loan funds from the proceeds of a tax exempt bond issued by the South Dakota Value Added Finance Authority. The bond program also allows a land owner to contract sale land to an eligible beginning farm/rancher thereby receiving a federal tax exemption on earned interest.

Additional information about the Beginning Farmer Bond Program and the eligibility criteria defining a beginning farmer/rancher are available by contacting the Division of Agricultural Development at (605) 773-5436 or www.sdda.sd.gov.

Select the type of land that best describes your Farm Link interest:

- Crop Pasture Hay/Alfalfa Small Acreage Other

Select the crop that best describes your Farm Link interest:

- Wheat Barley Oats Corn Soybean
 Pulse Crop Sunflower Sorghum/Milo Hay/Alfalfa

Other:

Select the livestock that best describes your Farm Link interest:

- Cow/Calf Cattle Feedlot Hog Farrowing Hog Finishing Dairy
 Sheep Goat Poultry Aquaculture

Other:

Please complete the appropriate Land Owner or Prospective Buyer section below.

Land Owner Questionnaire

Farm location by physical address:

Total acres of land available for Farm Link: County:

Tillable Acres: Alfalfa/Hay Acres: Pasture Acres:

Irrigated Acres:

Additional Information and Comments:

Prospective Buyer Questionnaire

I/We have been farming/ranching for years.

Describe Relevant Education/Experience:

Do you currently own livestock? Yes No Machinery? Yes No

I/We prefer to live in this region of the state: Choose an item:

Additional Information and Comments:

I certify that the statements made by me in this questionnaire are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief and are made in good faith for the purpose of participating in the South Dakota Farm Link Program. I give the South Dakota Department of Agriculture (Department) and the South Dakota Cooperative Extension Service permission to release my name, address, phone number and any other information provided in this questionnaire to persons who in the Department's judgment may be interested in discussing a possible business arrangement with me or in the activities of the South Dakota Farm Link Program. I also hereby release the Department from responsibility for breach of contract or any other legal claims. This is not a real estate sales agreement or listing contract. The Department assumes no responsibility to sell, buy, or act as a realtor with regard to the property described. This questionnaire will be retained for 24 months from the date received by the Department. After that time, you may reapply.

Applicant Signature: Date:

Applicant's Spouse Signature: Date:

For information or assistance, feel free to contact the South Dakota Department of Agriculture, Division of Agricultural Development at (605) 773-5436 or email agmail@state.sd.us. Please return completed questionnaire to: Farm Link Program, SD Department of Agriculture, 523 East Capitol Ave, Pierre, SD 57501.