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**Call Now to Protect Federal Farm Conservation Programs**

**Farmers and the environment alike get a big leg up from conservation programs.** Farmers count on them to conserve soil for future generations, keep water and air clean, adapt to increasingly unpredictable weather, and create habitat for wildlife – all while farming profitably.

In the budget-cutting frenzy of the last two fiscal years, Congress slashed conservation programs by over \$1.5 billion! **Right now, your legislators are making decisions about next year's agriculture budget**

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Your action today will protect crucial conservation funding that rewards farmers for the environmental goods they produce. **Can we count on you to call?**

**It takes just a moment. Please call** California's key agricultural appropriators Congressman Sam Farr and Senator Dianne Feinstein. Call (202) 225-2861 for Rep. Farr and (202) 224-3841 for Sen. Feinstein, ask for their agricultural appropriations aides, and share the following message:

"I am a constituent. Please protect Farm Bill conservation programs from further cuts in Fiscal Year 2013. We must protect our natural resources and reward farmers for the environmental goods they produce - **please oppose any further cuts** to the Conservation Stewardship Program (CSP), Environmental Quality Incentives Program, and other Farm Bill conservation programs."

**It's quick and easy to call, and it has a big impact.** Thank you for calling right now!

[Click here for more information about CSP and other conservation programs.](#)

P.S. After you call, tell us how it went at:  
[info@calclimateag.org](mailto:info@calclimateag.org)

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