

Grower Resource Worksheet

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CALIFORNIA FARMLINK



This program helps farmers and ranchers find farmland through an online portal that connects them with landowners. FarmLink also offers guidance on leases and contracts so farmers can have more secure, long-term access to land.



BEGINNING FARMER & RANCHER MENTORSHIP PROGRAM

This free program matches new farmers and ranchers with experienced mentors who share practical knowledge and guidance. It supports beginning farmers, including veterans and socially disadvantaged growers, in building skills to run successful and lasting farm businesses.



ENVIRONMENTAL MEDIATION CENTER



This is a nonprofit that offers free mediation services to farmers and other people in agriculture who have conflicts—like issues with leases, labor, contracts, or neighboring farms. It helps with communication and negotiation so people can resolve disputes without going to court.



COMMUNITY ALLIANCE WITH FAMILY FARMERS

CAFF helps small and family farmers in California with programs that support food safety, organic certification, market access, and emergency relief. They offer things like workshops, one-on-one technical help, and grants. Their goal is to build stronger local food systems and help farms be more resilient against challenges like droughts, wildfires, and high costs.



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HEALTHY SOILS PROGRAM

HSP provides California farmers and ranchers with grants of up to \$100,000 to adopt practices that improve soil health, capture carbon, and reduce greenhouse gases. Supported practices include composting, cover cropping, reduced tillage, and planting hedgerows. Projects can last up to three years and are open to farmers, ranchers, and tribal governments.



STATE WATER EFFICIENCY & ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM

SWEEP helps California farmers install and upgrade irrigation and pumping technology that saves water, cuts energy use, and reduces greenhouse gas emissions. It covers things like drip irrigation, moisture sensors, better pumps, and retrofitting systems, and offers financial grants plus technical help.



UC ANR'S STATEWIDE PARTNERS MAP

This map makes it easier for farmers, ranchers, and land stewards to connect with organizations across California that support equitable land access and climate-smart practices. The map shows addresses for the following organizations:

- **Resource Conservation Districts**– Provide technical help and funding support for conservation and water/soil projects.
- **UC ANR Cooperative Extension and Research & Extension Centers** – Share research, education, and on-the-ground trials for farming and land management.
- **CalFire** – Assist with fire prevention, forest health, and wildfire recovery planning.
- **Farm Bureau** – Offer advocacy, policy support, and farmer networking.
- **Community Alliance of Family Farmers** – Support small and sustainable farms with education, advocacy, and land access connections.
- **Appraisers** – Help determine land value for purchases, easements, and loans.