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FARM BILL 2012

Industrial or Government Subsidized Agriculture

Sustainable or Non Subsidized Agriculture



If you see just one crop, and rows of uncovered soil, ready to runoff with the next rain, the US Farm Bill supports it.



Different crops in the same field and no bare soil: no subsidy.



If the government says not to eat it, it gets a huge subsidy.



If the government says this is what you need to eat, it gets nothing.

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IF it drives families off the land, to be unemployed in the cities, it is subsidized. Government wants huge farms with huge equipment.



Confined animals contaminate local water supplies and the meat has a lot of bad fats.

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If it provides good jobs for millions of farmers and rural areas, no subsidy.



Animals on pasture save the farmer money for fertilizer, and the meat has far less fat and more nutrients, including essential fatty acids.

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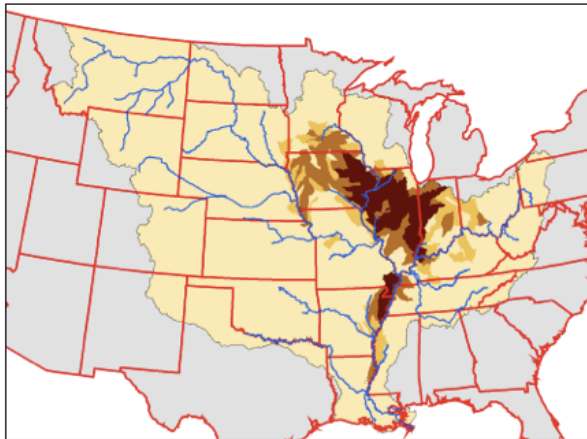
causes Global Warming both from the tractors opening up the ground, and waste from confined animals.

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Organic Farms and Pastureland sequester more carbon than anything else we know how to do. If we took the subsidy for junk food and subsidized healthy food, enough land could go into organic production to end global warming.

TO RESTORE GULF FISHERIES, CONSERVATION MONEY SHOULD BE TARGETED TO TOP POLLUTING WATERSHEDS



The polluting watersheds are the ones that get 75% of the farm subsidies, just a few states in the Mississippi River basin, to grow soy and corn for the fast food industry.



Not just American farmers, but those in Mexico and around the world, have been driven off their land by unfairly subsidized American corn and soybeans, leading to the greatest immigration in history.