



# Advisory

Your guide for  
August meetings

# Councils: *Speak Out*

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Congress is embarking on the task of writing a new farm bill. We want to know your thoughts about government policy when it comes to supporting our food supply. Use these questions to guide your conversation, and we'll print a summary of your responses in an upcoming *Buckeye Farm News*.

## **Advisory Councils Questions:** **Farm Bill, see page 12**

1. What do members of your advisory council believe are the benefits of farm bill programs? Do you feel that it is a worthwhile investment of taxpayer dollars? Why or why not?
2. Given current constraints on government spending, how should the farm bill be targeted to be most effective? What areas of government spending are most important to you: risk management, conservation, rural development, food and nutrition, energy, others?
3. Is the farm bill accomplishing what it needs to for Ohio's farm families? If your advisory council could write the farm bill, what would it look like?
4. What would be the impact to members of your council and farmers in your community if farm bill programs were eliminated or drastically reduced?