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AGree Initiative Releases New Paper, focused on the implications of conservation practices for farm lending

Tune in to Webinar on “How Conservation Practices Influence Agricultural Economic Returns” Today at 1:00pm ET to hear learnings

Washington, DC – Today, as farmers across the country continue to invest in conservation practices, the AGree Initiative released a [new paper](#) focused on the impact of conservation methods on farm profitability and implications for farm lending. The report, authored by Dr. Rob Myers, Director of the Center for Regenerative Agriculture at University of Missouri, provides important insights for the financial sector regarding how the impacts of cover crops and no-till may be financialized and, ultimately, considered in lending decisions.

The report aims to address questions the financial sector may have regarding the impacts of cover crops and no-till on short-term financial returns and long-term farm prosperity, including impacts on farmland value. Evidence shows that such practices increase profit while reducing risk. Read the full report [here](#).

Today, March 28, at 1:00 pm ET, join AGree for a webinar to dive into the results of the paper and discuss the implications of the report findings on farm lending practices.

WHO:

- Dr. Rob Myers, Director of the Center for Regenerative Agriculture at University of Missouri
- Skya Ducheneaux, Executive Director, Akiptan
- Maggie Monast, Senior Director, Climate Smart Ag, Environmental Defense Fund
- Gary Matteson, Senior Vice President, Beginning Farmer Programs and Outreach, Farm Credit Council
- Moderator: Laurie Ristino, Project Director and General Counsel, Meridian Institute

WHAT: Join the AGree Initiative for a discussion about the value of conservation practices on agricultural economic returns and implications for farm lending.

WHEN: Tuesday, March 28, 2023, from 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. ET

RSVP: [Webinar Registration - Zoom](#)

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About The AGree Initiative

AGree, an initiative of Meridian Institute, focuses on developing innovative and scalable policies and pilot programs that support farmers in improving agronomic and environmental outcomes while adapting to climate change. AGree partners believe there are real opportunities to use federal agricultural policy to incentivize and scale agricultural practices that reduce greenhouse gas emissions, improve soil health, and enhance water quality while reducing farmer costs and improving profitability.