

2021 Iowa Farm Bureau Federation Summer Policy Conference

State Policy Statements

City Extraterritorial Zoning

City zoning ordinances should not apply outside their city limits even when the county is not zoned.

Landowners should not be required to sign an annexation agreement as a condition of receiving city approval for a building permit or land split.

Development of Farmland

The landowner should be the decision-maker over whether their farmland is developed for non-agricultural use.

Redevelopment of land within city limits should be prioritized before farmland is developed for non-agricultural use.

Meat Processing and Butchery

Incentives should be provided to expand Iowa's small-scale meat processing capacity.

Meat processing, butchery skills, and business training programs should be developed and incentivized to expand the skilled workforce.

Wind & Solar Farms

State siting and setback rules for utility-scale solar and wind projects should consider landowner preference, agricultural productivity, and environmental and neighborhood impacts.