

# COLLABORATING TO SAVE THE ICONIC MONARCH BUTTERFLY

Farmers for Monarchs is a united effort by farmers, ranchers, landowners and the agriculture industry to encourage and enable the expansion and establishment of pollinator/conservation habitat, including milkweed, along the monarch butterfly seasonal migration route.

#### North American Monarch Migration



#### **CURRENT SITUATION**

Monarch butterflies face many challenges that have contributed to a significant decline in their population. More breeding habitat and food resources, including milkweed and nectar sources, across the migration route will help monarch populations recover.

# Declines in the monarch population have been documented since the 1990s.

2018 - United States Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) begins evaluating monarch conservation measures across migration route.

**2019** - USFWS determines final listing decision under the Endangered Species Act.

#### Monarch habitat promotes biodiversity and sustainability near productive farmlands.



Attracts Pollinators



Improves Soil Health And Water Quality



Houses Natural Enemies Of Crop Pests



Increases Wildlife Diversity

### JOIN THE FARMERS FOR MONARCHS MOVEMENT TODAY.

Farmers are uniquely situated and qualified to be part of the solution by doing what they do best, growing plants.

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## REASONS TO JOIN THE FARMERS FOR MONARCHS MOVEMENT





There are technical and financial advantages available through voluntary programs for farmers to establish, proactively maintain and/or expand pollinator habitats.

Help recover monarch populations across their range with more breeding and food resources, including milkweed and nectar sources.



The reputation of the agriculture industry stands to benefit from farmers' participation in voluntary efforts.

#### **HOW FARMERS CAN HELP**



Plant Habitat On Non-Farming Areas.



Work With Conservation Partners.



Voluntarily Register Habitat.



Join Local, State Or Federal Incentive Programs.

Other resources about monarch habitat and conservation can be found through the following organizations and their websites:

Monarch Watch - monarchwatch.org

Monarch Joint Venture – monarchjointventure.org

Pheasants Forever - pheasantsforever.org

NRCS - nrcs.usda.gov

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service – fws.gov

#### **OUR PARTNERS**































